

Campus Update Monday, October 15, 2018



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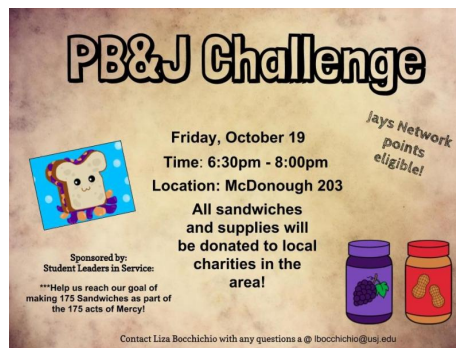
Let us celebrate and honor our Juniors as they enter their chosen schools of study. Investiture is a beautiful USJ tradition that represents our core values and mission. All are welcome to attend.

Note: We are looking for Juniors who can play key roles in this event. Any Junior interested, please contact Lynnette Colón at lcolon@usj.edu.



Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich Challenge

The Student Leaders in Service will be hosting a Peanut Butter and Jelly Making challenge on **Oct. 19 from 6:30–8 p.m. in the Nutrition Lab (McDonough 203)**. It is a points eligible event for Jays network. All are welcome. We are also in need of donations of Creamy regular peanut butter, Grape Jelly, sandwich bags, and gloves. People can drop donations off in the Student Affairs office. Download event flyer [here](#).



IT Proficiency Test

Undergraduate Students: If you have not fulfilled your IT General Education requirement or would like to try to waive the requirement, you must pass the Information Technology Proficiency Test. If you are interested in taking the test, register now by following the instructions [here](#). Space is limited and you must **register by Oct. 22**.

Questions? Feel free to contact Dr. Lioutikova at elioutikova@usj.edu or the Academic Advisement Center at advisement@usj.edu.



Teaching and Learning Center (TLC) Announcements

– The TLC October Newsletter is now available

(download it [here](#)). Sign up for a workshop, or schedule an appointment for 1:1 assistance. Department chairs can also schedule specific training sessions for their department meetings.

– As part of this year's Common Read activities, the TLC is hosting a faculty and staff session on **Supporting First Generation College Students on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 12-1 pm in the Crystal Room.** Dr. DeLois Lindsey from the University of Hartford, who has over 25 years of experience working with first generation students, will be leading the session. Download the event flyer [here](#).

To register, please email tlc@usj.edu. We hope to see you there!



TEACHING AND LEARNING CENTER
OCTOBER 2018
Email tlc@usj.edu to register!

MEETING VIRTUALLY WITH BB COLLABORATE
WEDNESDAY, 10/3 OR TUESDAY, 10/23 | 12-1 PM IN THE TLC
Blackboard Collaborate Ultra is a useful way to meet with your students any time, anywhere—even when you teach a face-to-face course. Come learn how you can use Collaborate to hold remote class meetings, bring in guest speakers, facilitate group work and more. Bring your laptop!

COLLECTING FEEDBACK AND REFLECTIONS
WEDNESDAY, 10/10 OR TUESDAY, 10/30 | 12-1 PM IN THE TLC
"Check-in" activities are a great practice to help students reflect on their learning and to shape the direction of the course. Blackboard and iClicker contain several useful tools that can help you collect student feedback on your course before official evaluations are distributed. This session will cover setting up anonymous surveys and collecting the data, as well as creating a discussion forum that allows for anonymous submissions.

FACILITATING INTERACTION IN THE COLLABORATION LAB
WEDNESDAY, 10/17 | 12-1 PM, LIBRARY COLLABORATION LAB
Co-sponsored by the Office of Information Technology. Are you interested in using the library's new Collaboration Lab for your classes? Come learn about three tools that can facilitate collaboration and interaction in this new space and beyond: OneDrive, OneNote and Echo360. We'll also look at how the Lab's "huddle spaces" work, so you can get your students up and running quickly and easily.

THE NEW CORE CURRICULUM
THURSDAY, 10/18 | 12-1 PM IN THE TLC
At this year's Faculty Development Day, many participants indicated they would like a follow-up session on the new Core Curriculum. In this seminar, Dr. Agnes Barry will provide an overview of the new USJ Core Curriculum for undergraduate students. This is one of our signature programs, anchored by four core institutional values and the Critical Concerns of the Sisters of Mercy (earth, immigration, nonviolence, racism, and women), and affirming our commitment to the liberal arts as vital for both meaningful lives and professional success. Faculty unanimously approved the curriculum in November 2017 and this is an opportunity to update and also make sure all those who are in a position to advise new students understand its elements.

Mentoring Opportunity

Would you like to mentor a 5th grader from West Middle Community School? **ConnectiKids, Inc.** is an after school academic enhancement program for Hartford youth. Tutors work with student using a literacy-based curriculum and mentoring that helps students succeed in Hartford Public Schools. **Beginning Oct. 24**, mentoring sessions will take place on Wednesdays from 4:20–5:35 p.m. at USJ. Download the informational flyer [here](#).

Questions? Contact Liza Bocchichio
lbocchichio@usj.edu or 860.231.5202.



We NEED You Can You HELP?

ConnectiKids, Inc. is an after school academic enhancement program for Hartford elementary youth. Tutors work with students using a literacy-based curriculum that reinforces educational framework currently used in Hartford Public Schools.

Volunteer for One Day each week for 75 Minutes. Meet with students as a tutor/mentor.

For More Information on VOLUNTEERING with ConnectiKids, Please Call us at 860-522-8710 or visit www.ct-kids.org

Specific Questions can be addressed directly to Kiera Steele, Program Coordinator, at ksteele@ct-kids.org

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"EDUCATING, INSPIRING AND EMPOWERING STUDENTS SINCE 1978."

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Leaders in STEAM Speaker Series

Join Honey Reddi, Ph.D., FACMG, clinical laboratory director at Jackson Laboratory for a lecture on "Precision Medicine: Using Genomics for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Cancer."

When: Friday, Oct. 26, 2018

Time: 12–1 p.m.

Where: Mercy Hall, Crystal Room



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Precision Medicine: Using Genomics for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Cancer

Honey Reddi, Ph.D., FACMG
Clinical Laboratory Director at Jackson Laboratory in Farmington, CT

Oct. 26, 2018 | Crystal Room

For questions or additional information contact Dr. Kirsten Martin; kirstenmartin@usj.edu

Women LEAD in STEAM
Department of Saint Joseph

Upcoming Autorino Center Events

WET: A DACAmended Journey:

On Friday, Oct. 26 and Saturday, Oct. 27. This is the autobiographical account of Alex Alpharoah, born Anner Alfaro Cividanis, an American in every sense of the word except on paper. Learn more [here](#).

Kurbasy:

On Oct. 28, from 7:30–9:30 p.m. From the Carpathian Mountains, Lviv-based alt-trod group Kurbasy brings their folk-based multimedia performances to the University of Saint Joseph

In Memoriam: Commemorative Art by Contemporary Artists

The Art Museum, USJ invites you to *In Memoriam: Commemorative Art by Contemporary Artists (Now–Dec 16)*. This exhibition features sculpture, paintings, prints, and video art memorializing events of political or social significance, honoring family members, or paying tribute to cultural heroes or mentors. Among the featured artists are Adel Abidin, Nick Cave, Ann McCoy, Belkis Ramirez, Hank Willis Thomas, and Jave Yoshimoto. This event is free and open to the public.

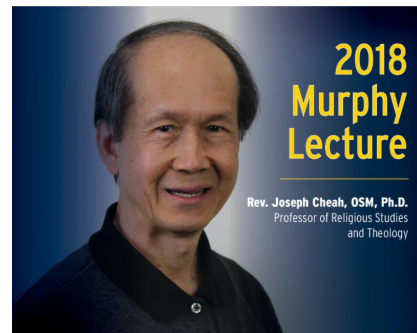
2018 Murphy Lecture

Join Father Joe, the winner of the 2018 Sister Mary Ellen Murphy Faculty Scholarship Award, for his lecture entitled, "Haunted House: Skeletons of a Racist Past, and Their Influences on U.S. Buddhism."

When: Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2018

Time: 7 p.m.

Where: Bruyette Athenaeum, Hoffman Auditorium



TUES., OCT. 30, 2018
7 P.M.
BRUYETTE ATHENAEUM,
HOFFMAN AUDITORIUM

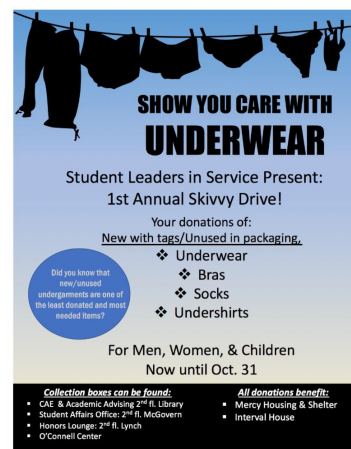


1st Annual Skivvy Drive

The Student Leaders in Service present the 1st Annual Skivvy Drive. "Show you care with underwear." You can donate new with tags/unused in packaging underwear, bras, socks, undershirts for men, women, and children. **Donate now until Oct. 31.** Donations will benefit Marcy Housing and Shelter, and Interval House.

Collection boxes can be found:

- CAE & Academic Advising 2nd fl Library
- Student Affairs Office 2nd fl. McGovern
- Honor Lounge: 2nd fl. Lynch
- O'Connell Center



Download the event flyer [here](#).

USJ offering e-transcripts through Parchment Exchange

The University of Saint Joseph now offers an electronic transcript format (e-transcripts) along with the traditional paper copies through a service called Parchment Exchange. Parchment Exchange services include:

- Easy website that walks you through placing an order and making payment
- 100% online ordering– no additional forms needed
- You can order as many transcripts as you need in one order
- The website is available 24 hours a day
- Order status and order history is available online
- Ability to request e-transcripts or paper copy in one order
- Expedited shipping available

Instructions for Requesting an Official Transcript

Create an account to obtain an official [transcript](#).

TIAA Offering Individual Retirement Counseling

Attention Faculty and Staff: TIAA will offer individual retirement counseling for USJ employees on **Oct. 23, 2018**, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Mercy Hall, Room 341 main campus.

To schedule an appointment: Call the TIAA office in Hamden, 866.842.2051 X252403

Contact: Lisa Peruccio, Benefits Administrator at lperuccio@usj.edu or at 860.231.5509

Food Insecurity

Are you hungry because you lack resources to purchase enough food? There are food pantries/resources in Connecticut that can help you and your family:

<https://www.foodpantries.org/st/connecticut>

If you just need a quick snack to carry you over while you are on campus, please visit the Office of Campus Ministry.

New Employees and Promotions

The following is information for Promotions & Status Changes as of 10/08/2018:

Katerina Jacobs, Behavior Interventionist,
Gengras Center

Danielle Upton-Pepin, Human Resources
Specialist, Human Resources

The LiveSafe App is Here

As part of ongoing safety efforts, USJ has introduced a new mobile safety app called LiveSafe that allows you to report tips to USJ Police, virtually escort your friends in real-time on a map, place emergency calls, and access safety resources.

Download the LiveSafe app to your smartphone and learn more [here](#).



The Autorino Center for the Arts & Humanities

The beautiful 365-seat Hoffman Auditorium is the heart of USJ's arts center, where music, dance, theatre and more dazzle audiences from both the University and the surrounding area.

Like their [Facebook page](#) and visit www.autorino.usj.edu to stay up to date with their 2018-19 season "USJ Got Soul."



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