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WELCOME TO HUSSON'S NEW ESPORTS CENTER

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Hansen and Holsapple Receive Regional and National Recognition

Husson University has some of the finest faculty and staff in the United States. They are renowned for their friendliness, industry experience and their dedication to putting students first. Recently, two employees were recognized for their leadership and service to first-year students.



In September 2021, **Dr. Marie Hansen**, dean of the College of Business was one of eight women honored by Mainebiz magazine as one of their "Women to Watch." According to the publication's website, the "Women to Watch" recognition program helps bring attention to "top-notch women executives, women whose daily work strengthens their organizations, and by extension, Maine's economy." This was the 13th consecutive year of this recognition program.

Hansen was cited as a woman of distinction because of the unique vision she brings to the College of Business and the New England School of Communications as dean. Her leadership "sought to create a space that would facilitate synergy between students, faculty, business and technology."



In addition, **Matthew Holsapple**, Husson University's dean of student success, was one of only two people recognized nationally by the National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition as an "Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate," among four-year colleges and universities with 2,000 to 7,000 students. This award is given to individuals who exhibit "exceptional work in the areas of student learning, development, and success." The award ceremony took place in February.

As part of his award nomination letter, Holsapple was acknowledged for his efforts to empower Husson students so they can develop and achieve their academic, career and life goals. He was also recognized for making sure that first-year students get the support and services they need to have a successful academic career, including helping them with their study skills, time management and individual tutoring.

"Considered some of the nation's leading experts in their fields, the faculty and staff at Husson University are always working to provide students with an outstanding educational experience," said Dr. Lynne Coy-Ogan, senior vice president for academic affairs and provost. "The recognition given to Marie and Matt are emblematic of the dedication our entire team has to excellence. We are very proud of their contributions to our success."

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Dear Alumni and Friends,



One of the characteristics of our campus that makes it an exciting place for students to live and learn is the way it's constantly evolving. While some changes, like the opening of our $17 million Harold Alfond Hall are very prominent, there are lots of other opportunities being developed that improve campus life and enhance educational opportunities.

One such opportunity you'll learn about on pages 12 and 13, is our new esports facility. Beyond their entertainment value, video games represent an enormous new industry that needs program designers and developers familiar with creating two dimensional and immersive reality presentations. This industry will also need leaders, marketers and financial managers. This facility and its academic programs will attract students who want to participate in esports and prepare them for jobs of the future.

In addition to the esports facility, Husson is creating new biological laboratory facilities that students in our health-related programs need. The new facilities will support the addition of a new pre-med major for our students starting in the fall of 2022. The medical staffing needs are clearly evident as we confront the current pandemic and a growing and aging population.

Responding to trends like these inspires Husson to make strategic investments in programs and facilities that will meet the workforce needs of today and tomorrow. Our campus is constantly evolving because we're always taking future employment trends into consideration. Only by looking to the future can we continue to transform students' lives and help them achieve their goals.

We are thankful to all of the members of our Husson community that help us recognize and meet the needs for existing and evolving quality programs. This is how we at Husson remain relevant in a constantly changing world of higher education. Thank you!

Best regards,

Robert A. Clark, PhD, CFA
President





As President Clark alluded to, Husson University must continually evolve if we are to successfully prepare students for the jobs of the future. Despite these ongoing changes, the fundamental aspects of Husson University remain constant.

Character and humility are Husson's founding values. I often hear stories dating from the era of Chesley Husson and Clara Swan. Alumni share stories of "random acts of kindness" they received when facing difficult times—a tuition bill mysteriously paid, needed winter clothing appearing, or a bus ticket home delivered.

This spirit of giving and supporting each other remains alive and well today. Whether faced with food insecurity, illness, or another personal emergency, the Husson community rallies to support each other. Some of these acts of kindness are done publically, but many are quiet and private interactions.

On pages eight and nine, you'll read about a 2015 graduate who, five years after graduating, paid one of those quiet kindnesses forward. Arriving from Syria as a first-year student, it was the outreach by a former staff member that helped him transition to college in a foreign country. His story is inspirational, but not unique. Every day, our faculty and staff model the values of character and humility in hundreds of ways.

While the "repayment" is not often as obvious as in this story, our students graduate understanding the importance of service to others.

The spirit of Husson University is alive and well. Character and humility are still in abundance, just as they were in decades past. I know there are many more stories out there. If you have a story to share, please email me at robinsons@husson.edu. I'd like to hear from you!

With gratitude,

Sarah Cary Robinson
Vice President for Advancement

Around the Circle

Accomplishments, events and items of note happening at Husson

College of Business

IT Students Present at New England Regional CSTA



Integrated Technology students **Robert Brown, Nathan Colbath** and **Tyler Smith** joined **Dr. Laura Gurney**, associate professor, on Saturday, October 16 in presenting at the New England Regional Computer Science Teachers Association. Their presentation facilitated a great discussion about college students' reflections on high school computer science and technology experiences that support their current learning at the university level.

Event Seeks to Elevate Student Financial Literacy

Basic financial skills and concepts were explained to students as part of a campus event called "Financial Literacy for Generation Z" on November 11, 2021 at the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business (CFB). Participating panelists included: **Jackson Cust '19, '19G,** a financial advisor at Means Wealth Management; **Nicole Morgan '12, '16G**, a senior relationship manager for Bangor Savings Bank's Main Street Banking; and **Dr. Jia Liu**, an associate professor of finance in the College of Business. The panel discussion was moderated by **Dr. Brien Walton**, the director of the CFB and an assistant professor of entrepreneurship.





WHSN Wins Four Awards from the Maine Association of Broadcasters



Mark Nason '97, '18G, manager of NESCom Productions and station manager for WHSN 89.3 FM, shared that the station recently received four awards from the Maine Association of Broadcasters, (MAB). Students won both first and third place in the state in the "Radio Sports Play-By-Play" category. "Although WHSN has received more than 50 awards, both regionally and nationally, the MAB awards are extra special to me as they show our students' work can compete, and sometimes win against, the commercial stations that may hire them following their time at Husson University," said Nason. The station received third place recognition in the "Locally Produced Program" category for Edgar Allan Poe's Tales of Mystery and Imagination – "The Telltale Heart 2021." The station also took third place in the "Best Use of Social Media with an Entertainment Focus" category for the station's social media efforts.

College of Health and Pharmacy



Pharmacy Leadership Award Given to Mickool

Dr. Daniel Mickool, an associate professor of pharmacy practice in the School of Pharmacy was the 2021 recipient of the National Community Pharmacists Association Pharmacy Leadership Award. This recognition is bestowed on one pharmacist from each state as a way of honoring their leadership in the advancement of pharmacy. Mickool served as the president of the Maine Pharmacy Association for the past two years. He has been a board member of the organization since 2013.

Research Article Focuses on MicroRNA Expression Influences



Dr. Samuel Caito, an assistant professor in the School of Pharmacy, and his wife Jennifer L. Newell-Caito from the University of Maine co-authored a research article along with Husson graduate students **Tyson Nielsen, Nicole Crawford, Megan Martell, Belal Khalil,** and **Farooq Imtiaz**. The article entitled, "MicroRNA Expression Influences Methylmercury-Induced Lipid Accumulation and Mitochondrial Toxicity in Caenorhabditis elegans" appeared in the December 14, 2021 edition of the magazine *Chemical Research in Toxicology*, an American Chemical Society publication.



Dedimus Justice and Board Administrator Geraldine "Jeri" Betts swearing in Dr. Cassandra White

Dr. Cassandra White Appointed to the Maine Board of Pharmacy

Governor Janet Mills has appointed **Dr. Cassandra White**, an associate professor of pharmacy practice in the School of Pharmacy to the Maine Board of Pharmacy for a three-year term. Dr. White is one of seven board members and is proud to serve as the only female representative. The Maine Board of Pharmacy works to protect the public's health and welfare through the regulation of pharmacies and pharmacists.



Kneeling (L to R): **Ken Stack (Production Director), Steve Estey (Audience Warm-up), Lincoln Blake (Nite Show Band), David Clarke (Nite Show Band);** *Standing – First Row (L to R):* **Eric Ferguson (Live Sound Coordinator), Edward Goguen (Academic Director – Audio 1), Matt Bryant (IT Coordinator), Rodney Verrill (Executive Producer – Director), Christie Robinson (Co-Host), Danny Cashman (Executive Producer – Host), Jennifer Murphy (Audience Liaison), Michael Murphy (Show writer/Photographer), Brian Nadeau (Bandleader, Nite Show Band), David Libby (Nite Show Band);** *Standing – Back Row (L to R):* **Austin Hodgens (Writer), Luke Bouchard (Executive Producer - Floor Director), Steve Toothaker (IT Coordinator), John Easton (Video Coordinator - Director), Brian Demoree (Writer), Mike Borja (Nite Show Band)**

The Nite Show Honored with Telly Award for Excellence in Entertainment Television

"The Nite Show with Danny Cashman" has announced that it received an award for "Excellence in Entertainment Television" as part of the 42nd annual Telly Awards.

The Telly Awards honor excellence in video and television across all screens. Judges are leaders from video platforms, television, streaming networks and production companies. Representatives from such notable companies as Netflix, Dow Jones, Duplass Brothers Productions, Complex Networks, A&E Networks, Hearst Media, Nickelodeon, ESPN Films, RYOT, Partizan and Vimeo are among the judges.

The Nite Show is produced by students and faculty at Husson University's New England School of Communications. "The Nite Show with Danny Cashman" originates from the Gracie Theatre in Bangor and is broadcast statewide. To see the show on a Saturday night, tune in to WABI TV5 in Bangor at 11:30 p.m.; FOX23 in Portland at 10:30 p.m.; and NBC 16 in Presque Isle at 11 p.m. On Sundays, the show airs on WGME CBS 13 in Portland at 1 a.m.

Established in 1979, The Telly Awards receives over 12,000 entries from all 50 states and five continents, annually.

College of Science and Humanities

Virtual Public Science Café Draws on Dr. Marnik's Expertise



The Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory (MDIBL) invited **Dr. Elisabeth Marnik** to speak to the group on February 8, 2022 about what mRNA is, how the immune system works and how this science is being applied to generate mRNA vaccines. Her scientific work was also celebrated by this organization as part of Women in Science Day on February 11, 2021. On that day, MDIBL shared the stories of female scientists, past and present, at the MDI Biological Laboratory.

"Anchors Away" at the Robert E. White Gallery



Kathi Smith, an associate professor of art in the College of Science and Humanities, helped explain the significance of some artwork as part of television coverage covering the opening of a recent exhibition. The art installation consisted of large wheat paste designs affixed to the walls of the gallery. The designs mimicked the "Sailor Jerry" tattoo style and showed nautical-related objects, characterized by bold, crisp lines with pops of color that create emphasis within the image. The exhibition was part of the class, "FA230 - Mixed Media Explorations."

"We Must Continue to Come Together"

Craig Hadley begins the next chapter of his life.

"It was a kind of rebirth and renewal," said Craig D. Hadley.

On January 1, 2022, Hadley began the next chapter in his life after serving Husson for approximately 14 years as the University's vice president of finance and administration, treasurer. Husson Magazine spoke to him about his transition.

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What are you doing now that you've retired?

HADLEY
I'm not really thinking of it as retirement. My perspective is similar to that of John Quincy Adams. When asked a similar question he said, "The world shall retire from me before I shall retire from the world."

Even though I've stepped down, I'm continuing my professional life, part-time, as an adjunct faculty member with the University of Maine – Augusta. In addition, later this year I will be teaching for Husson Online. I'm also working with the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO), a national advocacy group where I'm a fellow. Finally, I'll be working with ENCORE, another national organization that solicits and recruits professionals for part-time project work. With ENCORE, I'll work with non-profits and provide them with professional expertise. As you can see, I'm staying pretty active.

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Looking back on your Husson career, what do you think has been your single biggest accomplishment?

HADLEY
When COVID hit, higher education and businesses found themselves reeling from the economic impacts of the pandemic. The coronavirus has had a big economic impact on everyone, including Husson. Fortunately, the government provided some economic relief. It was a very complicated process where the rules kept changing and there were serious compliance and reporting ramifications if we didn't handle everything correctly. In the end, we were able to secure $25 million in economic relief for Husson and our students. That support allowed us to keep going during the pandemic and has left us in a very strong cash position.

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What was your favorite part of your job?

HADLEY
I've always felt that it's important to get out into the field. When you're on the front lines, you can listen to people, understand what's going on, show them some appreciation, and sometimes take back some homework that will help make their jobs and lives better.

Just recently, I was washing dishes in the dining hall and cleaning bathrooms in the residence halls. Dining Services and Custodial Services are among the campus functions I oversee. We had great teamwork and it was fun even though it's tough, dirty work. I just enjoy getting out there, shoulder-to-shoulder, where the action is, and showing appreciation to the staff for what they're doing. It's all about understanding challenges, listening to frontline experts and seeing what can be done to resolve issues.

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What will you miss the most about Husson?

HADLEY
I'll miss working with the Husson community. Not only the people who worked with me as part of my division, but also the people I worked with across the campus. In my role, I got to touch upon virtually everything that goes on here, so I've gotten to know a lot of people. Beyond being colleagues, I consider the Husson community to be my friends.

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Any final words of advice you would like to share with the campus?

HADLEY
I'm very fortunate to have had the opportunity here at Husson to make a positive impact on others' lives. I want to thank **Bob Clark** for the opportunity to learn about academia and academics. I also want to thank the members of our Cabinet and our employees. Our Husson family means the world to me.



Craig Hadley shared his farewells with the Husson community on December 16, 2021 in the G. Peirce Webber Campus Center.

I've always valued how the U.S. Constitution starts out with the words "We the People." We should always remember that Husson is a community that needs to work together as a team. Our University has the strength to overcome any challenge and achieve our mission. We can transform students' lives and create success for students beyond their education. Yes, we all have our differences, but at the end of the day, I think it's important to realize that we're all united by an important, common cause. As a University, we must continue to come together, support each other, listen to each other and help each other.

Cross Insurance Agency Makes Higher Education Accessible for Employees

Husson University's Partnership Program makes it possible



"When you work at the Cross Insurance Agency, you really feel like you are working with the Cross family, not for them," said **Elizabeth Libby** the agency's vice president of brand marketing. "The partnership program with Husson University is another example of how the agency takes care of our employees."



Husson University's Partner Program is designed to provide organizations with customized education, training and internship opportunities. Through the Partner Program, employees can earn undergraduate degrees, master's degrees, certificates, customized education and internships that can enhance their organization's success.

"The Cross Insurance Agency has had a long and successful relationship with Husson University," continued Libby. "We're excited to be providing these educational opportunities to our employees at a reduced rate through online learning. It's an ideal program for people interested in expanding their education but who don't have the time because they've got a full-wtime job."

Twenty-one year old **Alyse Campbell**, a benefits account manager at the Cross Insurance Agency really appreciates the 15% discount she gets on tuition through the Cross Insurance Agency Partner Program. "I was working on a nursing degree at another University but was able to transfer my credits and pursue a bachelor's degree in business. I love it so far. Classes are very accessible and fit into my life and my work schedule."

Alyse Campbell



According to Libby, students can pursue a bachelor's or master's degree. "We don't limit what our employees can pursue. The Cross Insurance agency has always supported people in their educational pursuits."

Libby also feels that the partnership program is an important starting point for Cross Insurance associates. "A lot of employees in the past might have been interested in getting more education but didn't know where to start. The partnership program makes enrolling in education easy."

Online education can grow as the Cross Insurance Agency grows. While the agency has its roots in Bangor and always will, it has expanded its geographic footprint. Today the Cross Insurance Agency has over 1,000 employees located in 35 branches across New England, New York and Florida. Husson University's online platform is designed to bring higher education to Cross Insurance Associates no matter where they're located.

Campbell feels that the education also strengthens the Cross Insurance Agency. "I found myself applying the work that I've done in my courses to my everyday job and lifestyle," she said. "My education is helping me become a more productive and efficient employee as well as a more valuable asset to the Cross Insurance Agency. I definitely see my degree helping me to assume a larger role in the future. After I complete my degree, I can start moving up in the organization and taking on more responsibility."



TJ Holloway '08G, '12G, the director of corporate partnerships and internships, has seen the partnership program benefit companies time and time again. "The more education an organization makes available to their staff, the more their staff wants to improve themselves. Strengthening a company's workforce through education makes organizations stronger."



Majd Zeidan (left) visited Husson University's campus with long-time friend and primary care physician Dr. Khalil Nader (right) prior to enrolling at Husson University. Nader has taken care of Zeidan his entire life. After consulting with Dr. Nader and receiving a "green light" for the transplant, Zeidan moved forward with the procedure.

Saving a Life with a Kidney Transplant

Husson graduate shows what character and humility is all about

For Vanessa Vansylyvong it all started around 2007 when she started to have some medical issues. "I wasn't sure what was going on. I went back and forth to the doctor for about two years and took a battery of tests. Finally, the doctors were able to determine that I had a chronic kidney condition due to an autoimmune disease called focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS). It's a rare disease that attacks the kidney's filtering units."

In Vansylyvong's case, it led to kidney failure. "The disease stretches the tiny tubes in the kidneys that filter out waste. When they get stretched, they release too much protein into your body and that leads to scarring," she said. "Unfortunately, there isn't a lot known about FSGS. It's an ailment that has no cure."

There were some drug therapies that helped alleviate some of the pressure on the kidneys and those helped for about a decade. "I was on medications for a good 10 years and things had leveled out. Then in 2018, my numbers nosedived."

"At that point, I started to have trouble breathing and my heart would beat so fast, it would cause me to pass out. I knew that I needed dialysis and a kidney transplant," she said. "The disease was really starting to affect my daily life."

In 2019, Vansylyvong got onto the transplant waiting list. A year later, she was on dialysis.

"All four of my children went through the process of trying to become a kidney donor for me and none of them were a match. You have to be incredibly healthy to be a donor."

Fortunately for Vansylyvong, she was connected to a member of the Husson University community. Vansylyvong is the niece of **Colleen Grover**, Husson University's director of international initiatives from 2012 – 2018. "I first learned how serious Vanessa's illness was in 2020, the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Grover.

Grover is friends with **Majd Zeidan '15G** a former Husson international student from Syria who earned a Master of Business Administration degree. They kept in touch after Zeidan graduated. Today, he is a real estate professional in Pennsylvania.

Zeidan and Grover first met through the Institute of International Education (IIE) in 2013. IIE had programs for students from countries affected by civil war, economic upheavals, diasporas and other political issues. The goal was to connect students with educational opportunities in the



Vanessa and Majd, before surgery

United States so they could complete their college degrees. Working with **President Clark**, Grover was able to help create two full scholarships to Husson University for students from Syria. Zeidan was one of the two Syrian students who benefitted from this support.

"He was a ball of fire, very enthusiastic and had lots of energy," said Grover. "While he was a student, Majd was kind enough to advise Vanessa about Algerian culture as part of a relationship she was pursuing. While they got to know each other initially through me and formed an online friendship prior to the transplant, I don't think Majd ever met Vanessa face to face until he volunteered to donate his kidney to her."

Zeidan said, "My godmother gave her brother a kidney two years ago. When I learned what was going on with Vanessa, I shared her story with my wife Sarah. After hearing the story, she suggested we get tested to see if we were an organ transplant match."

Majd, after surgery



"Initially, I thought being a match was pretty unlikely. After all, I'm from a small town in Syria on the other side of the world from a completely different gene pool," said Zeidan.

> "The doctor couldn't believe how strong my kidney was. As soon as they put it in Vanessa, it immediately started to function."
> —Majd Zeidan '15

He continued. "When I told Vanessa I was going to get tested, Vanessa said, 'don't give me false hope.' I told her that I was serious and she gave me the information for the Dartmouth Hitchcock Transplant Center. I asked to be on the transplant list and they gave me a bunch of medical tests. It was a three to four month process of getting tests and nuclear studies. After the tests were done, it turns out I was more than a 90% match with Vanessa."

"So in 2021, we scheduled the surgery," said Zeidan. "It got postponed a couple of times but we made it happen. I arrived at the hospital at 5 a.m."

Complicating the day was an unanticipated snowstorm that delayed Vansylyvong's arrival at the hospital. "What should have been a 45-minute trip took well over an hour," said Vansylyvong. "At one point, I considered abandoning the car on the side of the road because the roads were so bad – but we made it."

"The donor has to be there before the recipient," said Vansylyvong. "The recipient goes into surgery after. Once the kidney has left the donor's body, they immediately put it into yours. As soon as I woke up from the transplant surgery, I immediately felt better."

"The doctor couldn't believe how strong my kidney was. As soon as they put it in Vanessa, it immediately started to function," said Zeidan. "Giving a kidney to someone, makes you feel empowered."

"I'm so grateful and feel connected to Majd in a special way. Ultimately, he saved my life," said Vansylyvong. "But now, both of us can go on to enjoy fully functional, enjoyable lives."

Grover said, "I'm forever grateful to Majd. It's one thing to give someone some time or money to help them. It's another to sacrifice a part of your physical being to help save someone's life."

This transplant demonstrates that the tradition of caring for others that started with Chief Husson and Clara Swan is alive and well at Husson today. "When young people can be in an environment, like Husson University, that encourages kindness, independence, selflessness and community service, they develop into the kinds of people they'd prefer to be," said Grover. "Most young people want to feel like they matter and they want to give to other people. Husson is a place that nurtures compassion and understanding."

If you are interested in becoming an organ donor, please visit **OrganDonor.gov** to find the donor registry near you.

Majd and Vanessa today.



Answering the Call



Husson nursing student Alaina Bates (right) holds a syringe to 11-year-old Nella Mihan's arm (left) as part of a COVID-19 vaccination demonstration.

Husson Nursing Students administer COVID-19 vaccinations in schools

Protecting Maine's youngest population during the pandemic is something two Husson University School of Nursing students will remember for the rest of their lives. Soon after the FDA approved the COVID-19 vaccine for kids ages 5-11, seniors **Delaney Ennis** and **Kortney McKechnie** found themselves on the front lines delivering the shots to the students.

"The kindergarten group was definitely the most emotionally challenging for me because I was inflicting pain on them for a reason they didn't quite understand," says Ennis. "To my surprise though, there were a few that volunteered to go first and were very brave and supportive of their peers who struggled to go after them. Seeing that warmed my heart and made my job much easier."

> "I had administered a few vaccines to adults in hospitals but this was my first experience giving vaccines to children." —Kortney McKechnie

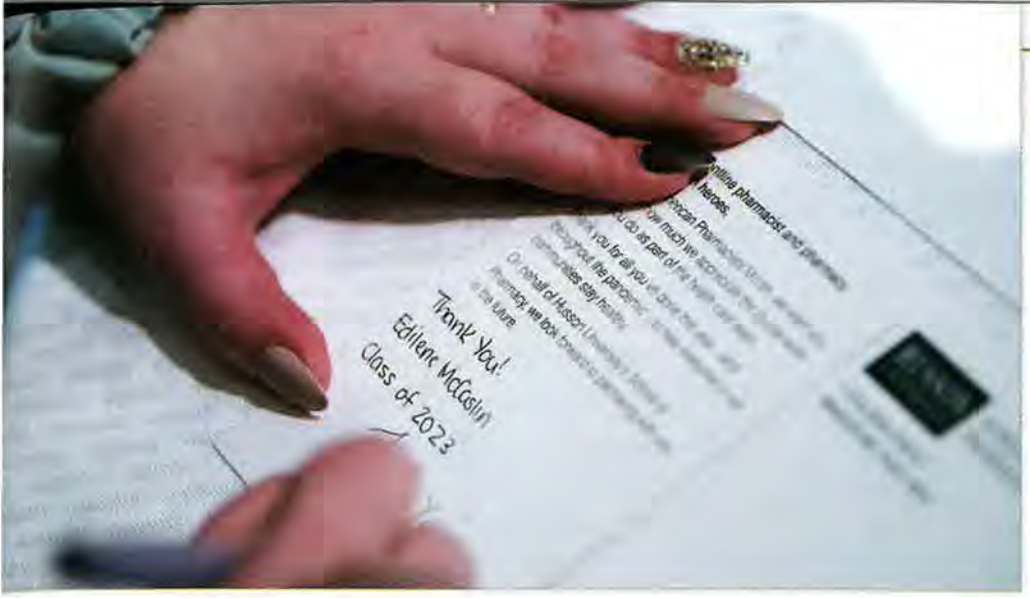
Nursing students are placed in area schools as part of their community health rotation. They are all juniors and seniors that have completed the pharmacology and lab which provides instruction for administering injections. "Nursing students volunteering in the school systems made arrangements to be present on the days that the clinics were being held," explains **Dr. Alicia Murray**, director of clinical education and an assistant professor in the School of Nursing.

Ennis worked with Bangor elementary school students while McKechnie was in the Millinocket School Department. "I had administered a few vaccines to adults in hospitals but this was my first experience giving vaccines to children," admits McKechnie.

She initially helped with vaccine clinics at the high school and middle schools before moving on to the elementary students. "For the most part, the older students had no reaction," says McKechnie. "They came to the gym, got their shot and then left. The students at the elementary school were a lot more nervous and anxious. There was even some screaming and crying."

Both McKechnie and Ennis are thankful for the hands-on experience and the chance to be a part of history. "Overall, it was a great experience," says McKechnie. "By providing this service to Maine's youngest population, we are teaching them that it's important to get vaccinated in order to protect their health."

"I have a sense of reward knowing that I was ultimately doing an amazing thing for Maine's youngest population," adds Ennis. "It makes me feel pride in the profession I have chosen."







Thanking Pharmacy Professionals for Saving Lives

American Pharmacists Month is celebrated every October. It recognizes the important dates, timelines and stories associated with pharmacy heroes.[1] In 2021, the month was dedicated to celebrating the courage of pharmacists and their willingness to stand by their patients throughout the pandemic and beyond.[2]

During the pandemic, pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and licensed pharmacy students helped save lives by inoculating Maine citizens against COVID-19. Thanks to their efforts and the efforts of others, Maine now has the third highest percentage of state residents who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

These unsung heroes performed this valuable service without seeking public acknowledgement or accolades. In an effort to show appreciation for their past and current service to our state, Husson University pharmacy students sent thank you cards to members of the Maine pharmacy community during American Pharmacists Month.

"One of the things I look forward to after I graduate is being on the front lines of delivering healthcare and having the chance to make a difference in people's lives, just like pharmacists in Maine are doing right now," said **Dylan Johnston**, a pharmacy student in the third year of his professional studies. "Even though the work pharmacists do is personally rewarding, the people they serve often don't stop to think about how they've benefited from the years of study and hard work pharmacists put into becoming practicing professionals. Our small expression of appreciation will hopefully let pharmacy professionals, including our preceptors, know that their efforts were valued and appreciated."

"Pharmacists deserve our thanks," said **James D. Nash**, PharmD, MPH, BCPS, dean of Husson University's College of Health and Pharmacy. "Even though many of them are inoculated, they risk becoming breakthrough cases. Their efforts ensure others receive the life-saving protection of a COVID-19 vaccine."

Husson pharmacy students have been an important part of addressing this public health issue. In 2021, students at the School of Pharmacy received immunization training earlier than expected because there was an initial shortage of people who could administer COVID-19 vaccinations.

"We're making a difference in our community by helping to administer vaccinations," said **Chid Ifeji**, a class of 2023 Doctor of Pharmacy student. "It feels great to know I'm helping to save lives."

"An in-depth pharmacy education, like the one available through Husson University's School of Pharmacy, is the key to making sure our nation has the necessary knowledgeable and qualified professionals it will need to address future public health crises," said Nash. "I want to personally thank every pharmacy student and practicing professional in our state for the efforts they've made to serve the public during the pandemic. Individuals and families across Maine owe you a debt of gratitude."

[1] American Pharmacists Association, "October is American Pharmacists Month," https://www.pharmacist.com/About/Leadership/American-Pharmacists-Month, Accessed October 14, 2021.
[2] Ibid



The Competitive World of Esports

Husson now home to seven intercollegiate esports teams

Husson University is known for its athletics. But a new gaming initiative on campus is quickly garnering attention both nationally and abroad. It's not played on a field or court. Teams include Super Smash Bros. Ultimate, Overwatch, VALORANT, Rocket League and League of Legends. Welcome to the world of esports.

"Esports is organized and competitive video gaming," says **Joel Madru**, esports coordinator for Husson University and a former collegiate esports competitor. Players compete at junior varsity and varsity levels. Video games typically consist of multiple teams playing in online battle arenas, commonly known as MOBA, as well as in first person shooter, fighting, card, battle royale and real time strategy games. Competitions are played online for the most part, and streamed live on YouTube and Twitch with fans all over the world watching.

How many? According to the latest available data, there were more than 2.5 billion esports spectators in 2021. Experts attribute much of that growth to pandemic lockdowns of more traditional sporting events. Sixteen to 24-year-olds make up the largest group of esports fans. And when it comes to players, there's some serious money to be made. Esportsgrizzley.com says pro gamers average between $50,000-$60,000 a year with the potential to earn up to $5 million a year, depending on the prize pool at tournaments.

In January, a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrated the opening of Husson University's new $170,000 esports facility in the Darling Learning Center. There are 15 high end gaming PC stations along with several console style stations with lounge seating. The timing is perfect as teams practice to compete in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC). Already well known for their NCAA championships, leagues, bowl games and more, ECAC is now host to esports competitions powered by LeagueSpot. "There are about 400 schools participating, so that's pretty big," says Madru. The games are initially online with the top 16 teams in the playoffs invited to an in-person tournament in Albany, New York.

Chyanne Fry says being able to play esports competitively at Husson is a dream come true. "Esports is not only huge within the professional scene, it's been growing rapidly on the collegiate level," says the sophomore audio engineering major. "Esports adds a whole new realm of diversity



Joel Madru cuts the ribbon for Husson's new esports center as (from left to right) Overwatch Co-captain Maddy Gervais, Board of Trustees Chair John Rohman, Provost Lynne Coy-Ogan and President Clark look on.

at Husson and allows those who like to play on the field or at the screen, to come together to win for Husson."

Fry plays on Husson's esports team, VALORANT. There are six team members. Fry is one of two captains, along with a main roster and substitute player. "It's a five versus five first-person shooter that involves specific abilities," she explains. "VALORANT is the first ever shooter game that I've played that required crazy abilities pertaining to a certain agent. I used to watch CS:GO (Counter Strike: Global Offensive) tournaments years ago. As soon as Husson came out with esports, I just knew I needed to be a part of it!"

Husson University is the second, four-year school in Maine to offer sanctioned esports. In this first year, the University is fielding five varsity and two junior varsity level teams comprised of approximately 40 players. It's primarily undergraduate students, although several members are pursuing graduate or professional degrees.

"These students probably aren't going to play professionally," acknowledges Madru. "Just like most Division III athletes most likely aren't going to play professional soccer or basketball."

But Madru says, there are lucrative career opportunities in esports that don't involve a video game console. "You could be on a production team shooting the tournaments, there are marketing positions, accountants, writers," he says. "We're giving students opportunities to get the experience at the collegiate level which they can then carry on to potential careers in esports."

Madison "Maddy" Gervais has always been interested in gaming. She plays on Husson's esports Varsity Overwatch Team. "When I started playing Overwatch, I was drawn to the competitive aspect of the game because of teamwork and improvement," she says.

Overwatch is a first-person shooter with six players and two or three substitutes, competing for various objectives. "You need to be able to control a point, defend a point or move a truck (payload) to the end of a course in the least amount of time," Gervais explains.

There are three different roles in Overwatch. "Tanks who make space, damage dealers who need to get eliminations in order to progress in the game, and supports who heal their teammates and aid everyone in order to complete the objective," she says.

Gervais is in the PharmD program at Husson and believes esports will enhance her experiences both in the classroom and after graduation. "A pharmacist is all about teamwork and creating that dynamic in the pharmacy," she says. "The workflow and college vibe need to make sense."

Just like other athletic teams on campus, esports players are required to keep a certain grade point average. In addition, students are limited in the amount of time they spend online. "We want to make sure students aren't taking it overboard and gaming until 4 a.m., for example," says Madru. Some team players asked if part of their practice time could be working out with an athletic trainer at the gym, seeing the benefits of a healthy body/healthy mind connection.

Fry says video game playing will always be a part of her life and she's open to all opportunities that come with it. "I mean, who knows what could happen?" she says, excitedly. "What if I get recruited to a professional team? What if I get recruited from other schools to coach their teams? The possibilities are endless."



On January 20, 2022, the Husson Esports Center was packed with onlookers for a competition demonstration following the ribbon-cutting ceremony.



Having Fun During the Pandemic

Husson student Benjamin Huynh thoroughly enjoyed being a part of the University's free five-kilometer color run on Sunday, October 3, 2021.

Despite COVID-19, students continue to enjoy themselves and give back to the community through fun and safe activities.

The ability of Husson University students to adapt to the pandemic continues to keep campus life vibrant. For example, students recently sponsored a color run, where participants had the option to remove their masks and enjoy a fun, outdoor athletic activity.

Co-sponsored by Husson University's Exercise Science Society and Husson Student Government, the free five-kilometer (5K) color run took place on Sunday, October 3, 2021. Completing the course required participants to complete a little over three laps around campus.

"During color runs, participants are periodically doused along the race route in different colored powders," said **Ashley Silva**, president of the Exercise Science Society at Husson University. "While participants can wear whatever they like, it's recommend that runners wear some sort of white shirt."

"White garments help other participants see and enjoy the fun," said **Ryan Wheelock**, president of Husson University Student Government. "To make this even more enjoyable, student government offered free shirts and sunglasses to the first 100 individuals who registered for the event."

"The event was open to the entire Husson campus community. Anyone could participate regardless of their fitness level," continued Wheelock. "It didn't matter if individuals ran or walked the course. The idea was to get outside and have a good time."

Students also found fun and creative ways to give back to the community. Husson's Student Occupational Therapy Association was one such group. They brought a "punny" fashion show to the Ross Manor nursing home in Bangor.



Members of the Husson Student Occupational Therapy Association who participated in the Punny Fashion Show at Ross Manor pose for a group photo in their creative and wearable designs.

The punny fashion show featured garments worn by students that integrated a pun into the design. A student who covered her top with tea bags and walked down the runway at Ross Manor was said to be wearing a "Tea Shirt." Other designs included students wearing a "straw hat" made out of drinking straws, a turtle neck sweater that closely resembled a sea turtle's neck, and a "ballroom gown" that featured an array of multicolored toy plastic balls. All of the students made sure to wear masks to protect their health as they modeled their punny fashion.

Students **Hannah Smith** and **Gabrielle Jandreau** helped organize the event. "Seeing the smiling faces of Ross Manor residents during the fashion show made the whole event worthwhile," said Jandreau. "I think we had as much fun as they did."

While the pandemic has temporarily altered some of the activities on campus, Husson students are applying their creativity and making it work. The energy they bring to campus activities and community service allows students to continue to enjoy themselves as they earn their degrees.



THE COMPASSIONATE HEALER

Visionary new pre-medicine degree at Husson to focus on developing healthcare professionals who have a passion for the healing arts and care about their patients.

"Medicines cure diseases, but only doctors can cure patients."
—Carl Jung

The ongoing pandemic has inspired more high school students to pursue careers in the healing arts. In a nationally representative survey of 1,060 educators conducted in January 2021 by the EdWeek Research Center, 55 percent of teachers said they've seen more students express interest in healthcare careers since the pandemic began.[1]

In response to increased student interest and inquiries about pre-medicine programs, Husson is taking the next step in the evolution of the University's healthcare education. Starting in the fall of 2022, Husson will be offering students the opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science in pre-medicine. Existing degrees in biology and health science, exercise science and healthcare administration and public health will still be available as will a new minor being developed in the medical humanities.



For **Dr. Phil Taylor III**, dean of the College of Science and Humanities, this is a unique opportunity to reinvent pre-medicine education. With extensive experience creating pre-medicine programs at other universities, Taylor has the experience and knowledge to make this happen. "It's not enough in today's society to just teach the hard facts of medical science," said Taylor. "For medicine to have relevance, it has to have a context in the human condition."

To accomplish this fusion of science and compassion, Husson University's pre-medicine program will add courses in the medical humanities to a curriculum that is already rich in basic science, biology, chemistry, anatomy, physiology and the social sciences like psychology. "The program will have an emphasis on applied knowledge, critical analysis and the human condition," said **Dr. Erin Owen**, an assistant dean and associate professor in the College of Science and Humanities. "All of this is essential for students who want to attend medical school.

The new bachelor's program also focuses on preparing students for the medical school application process. "We're taking our program one step further and creating a seminar course devoted specifically to applying for medical school. This includes the interview and the Medical College Admission Test® (MCAT)," said Owen.

Brand new facilities will enhance the education process. "A multimillion-dollar investment in our facilities was recently completed and we've begun phase two," said Taylor. "Students who come to Husson will learn on the same equipment found in advanced medical facilities, starting on day one. Our labs don't just look nice, they have the latest technology."

The faculty members supporting the pre-med program are also exceptional. Not only do they understand medical science from an academic standpoint, they have professional work experience in their various fields of expertise. This allows students to gain advanced knowledge and real-world insights. Areas of faculty expertise include medicine, epidemiology, health sciences, exercise science, biology, chemistry, biochemistry, medical anthropology, neurobiology, immunology, public health, psychology, molecular genetics, anatomy, and physiology, to name a few.

"Our program would be a great fit for the student who wants to join the healing arts and give back to underserved communities. This can include everything from rural environments to inner cities," said Taylor. "Anyone interested in bringing healthcare back to their rural hometown as a physician, an osteopathic doctor, a chiropractor, a dentist or becoming a veterinarian should consider this program."

— *Those interested in enrolling in Husson University's new Bachelor of Science in pre-medicine can find an online application form at* **www.husson.edu/apply.**

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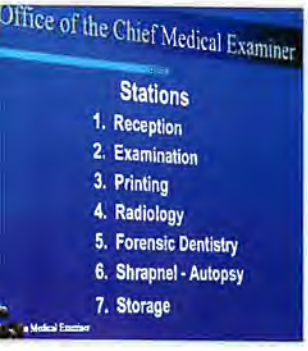


Learning from Oklahoma City

Dr. Fred Jordon, chief medical examiner for the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995, shares insights into the science of forensics as well as self-care with Husson criminal justice and forensic science students.

For Dr. Fred Jordan, Oklahoma City's chief medical examiner, April 19, 1995 started like any other day. Little did he know that at 9 a.m., he would soon face the greatest professional challenge of his life. It was then that anti-government militant Timothy McVeigh detonated a bomb in a Ryder rental truck packed with explosives outside the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, killing 168 people. Jordan felt the blast in his office more than a mile away from ground zero.

Among the deceased were 19 young children who were in the building's day care center. More than 650 other people were injured in the bombing. Over 300 buildings in the immediate area were damaged or destroyed.



Jordan was responsible for leading the effort to identify recovered bodies and gather forensic evidence. His efforts provided prosecutors with the information they needed to prosecute this crime while giving family members the opportunity to lay their loved ones to rest.

"What happened in Oklahoma City took place before a lot of my students were born, so it has historical value," said Husson University Adjunct Criminal Justice Professor **Jay Pelletier.** "We were privileged to have Dr. Jordan, a native Mainer, on our campus. His willingness to speak with local and out-of-state students who chose Maine for their higher education helped enhance the educational value of our criminal justice program."

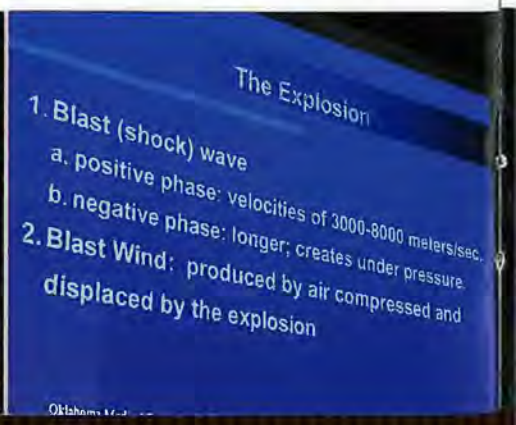
Jordan provided a wealth of information during his November 30, 2021 presentation in the Gracie Theatre. He helped explain how the blast wave from the explosive device affected everything in the immediate vicinity. This helped explain why the entire front side of the nine-story Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building collapsed after the bomb's detonation. Jordan also talked about the challenges associated with identifying individuals buried in nine stories of rubble.

"Even though this event took place over 25 years ago, there are still a lot of techniques we used to process this crime scene that are still in use today," said Jordan. Pelletier felt there was a lot of value in giving students the opportunity to hear from Jordan. "It's one thing to read about the Oklahoma City bombing in a textbook, it's another to hear from the medical examiner who was there. His first-hand account of what took place provided a whole new perspective."

Jordan also shared some insights during the second part of his presentation into what forensic science professionals and medical examiners need to do to protect their mental health and emotional wellbeing.

Dr. Jordan feels that it is important to try and maintain as positive a work environment as possible when going through a catastrophic event. In an interview with the *Bangor Daily News*, Jordan said, "One of the major things







"...I now understand why it's so important to maintain one's mental health...."
—Kelsi Sheehan '24
Criminal Justice student

Courtesy of the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Critical Incident STRESS:
- Stress is a normal reaction to an abnormal situation
- Common signs and symptoms

How do medical examiners cope?
- Help in the team setting in practical ways
  - Share the Sorrow
  - Diffuse and Debrief
  - Preparedness

—Courtesy of Dr. Fred Jordan

you are trying to do is keep your workers safe, keep your workers healthy, keep them moving so they can continue to do the terrible job they ended up inheriting."[1] He also said it was important to create a relaxing workplace environment where staff could talk about how the event was affecting them personally.[2] According to Dr. Jordan, many first responders feel guilty in the aftermath of tragedies.[3]

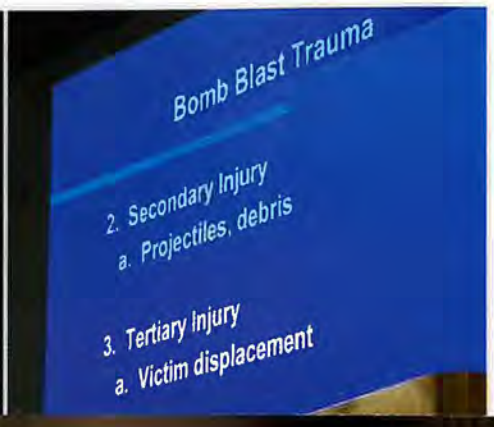
Jordan has long been connected to Maine. Before becoming the chief medical examiner in Oklahoma, he was a deputy chief medical examiner here in our state. Jordan completed his undergraduate education at Bowdoin College, where he graduated with honors in 1962. He then went on to earn a Doctor of Medicine degree from Tufts University in 1966. For the next four years, he engaged in post-doctoral training at the Maine Medical Center in Portland, followed by a residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at Central Maine General Hospital.[4]

After his residency, Jordan was awarded a two-year fellowship in legal medicine and forensic pathology from the Medical College of Virginia at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. He completed his post-doctoral training in 1972, and in 1973 the American Board of Pathology certified Dr. Jordan in Anatomic and Forensic Pathology.[5] He served in Oklahoma's Medical Examiners' Office for over 30 years.[6]

Dr. Jordan returned to Maine in 2004. He is currently one of the state's voluntary deputy chief field medical examiners.[7]

"Before this lecture, I was focused on the importance of maintaining a professional demeanor," said criminal justice major **Kelsi Sheehan**. "The photos and the details Dr. Jordan shared with us about how the bombing affected his team and everyone who recovered bodies made a big impact on me. I now understand why it's so important to maintain one's mental health. We all need to remember that in addition to being professionals, we're also human beings."





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Distinguished Business Speaker Series speakers spend time having lunch with College of Business students prior to their presentations. This gives students the opportunity to ask leaders in-depth questions. When Stephen Smith, (center) the president and CEO of L.L.Bean was at Harold Alfond Hall, he dined with (from left to right) Roy Smith, Isatu Barrie, Joshua Scott, Hannah Sirois, and Bailey Cust.

Leaders Share Insights at Distinguished Business Speaker Series

Students can sometimes feel overwhelmed when they meet celebrities, senior government officials and business executives for the first time. These prominent individuals can appear larger than life to impressionable young adults looking to emulate the career and business successes of those in positions of leadership.

"One of the benefits of the Distinguished Business Speaker Series at Husson is that it humanizes leaders," said **Dr. Brien Walton**, director of the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business and an assistant professor of entrepreneurship in the University's College of Business. "Hearing leaders' thoughts and getting to ask them questions helps students realize that they have a lot in common with the people they may have put on a pedestal. It also helps the students realize they could rise to a position of authority if they were willing to put in the work necessary to achieve their goals."

U.S. **Senator Susan Collins '97** was the inaugural speaker at the Distinguished Business Speaker Series on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at the University's Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business. She grew up in Caribou, Maine. Her family runs a sixth-generation lumber business that was founded by her ancestors in 1844.

"Prior to joining the Senate, I served as the founding executive director of the University's Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business," said Collins. "It's always a pleasure to return to campus and have the opportunity to speak with students. Events like this are a great way to enrich students' college education."

U.S. Senator Susan Collins (left) spent some time speaking with College of Business student Christopher Chasse (right) while she was on campus.



Beyond inspiring students to become our future leaders, the new Distinguished Business Speaker Series at Husson University serves to educate students, alumni and community members on the challenges facing businesses and related professions. Launched in conjunction with the opening of Husson's new College of Business building in August of 2021, the series plans to include dynamic speakers from a variety of disciplines ranging from banking, government and security, to management, marketing and more.

"As the home of Maine's largest College of Business, Husson University is the natural choice for a speaker series that features so many of the nation's leading professionals," said **Marie Hansen, JD, PhD, SHRM-SCP**, dean of the College of Business. "In addition to furthering the education of our students, gatherings like this provide an opportunity for members of the public to hear directly from influential members of the business community and government who affect our national, state and local economy."

Another recent speaker was L.L.Bean President and CEO **Stephen Smith**. His presentation took place on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

Students and other audience members heard about the history of L.L.Bean and Steve Smith's personal journey into leadership, along with lessons he learned along the way. He spoke about the various positions he held at J. Walter Thompson in New York City, the Resort Sports Network, Hannaford Brothers, the Delhaize Group and Walmart International where he was the senior vice president and general manager of Sam's Club China and the chief marketing officer for Walmart China in Shenzhen, China.



On January 27, 2022, students had the opportunity to hear from **Bettina Doulton**, the owner and operator of Cellardoor Winery in Lincolnville, Maine. Doulton talked about falling in love with the 200-year-old buildings and 68-acre farm during her first visit to the property. She also highlighted her transition from working at Fidelity Investments for 21 years, where she managed mutual funds and people, to running a small business. As a hands-on leader, Doulton is active in every aspect of the business. She shared that on any given day, she is greeting guests in the tasting rooms, driving a tractor or forklifts, or punching down grapes during the harvest.

Every Distinguished Business Speaker Series presentation is free and open to the public. Due to concerns about COVID-19, seating is limited. Guests are asked to register in advance to attend the event. In instances where there are space limitations, seating may be allocated by invitation. The University is requiring all attendees to wear masks during the presentations.

Alumni and friends are welcome to attend Distinguished Business Speaker Series presentations at the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business on Husson University's campus. To register for an upcoming event, visit **Husson.edu/About/Distinguished-Business-Speaker-Series** and click on the "Register Here" button associated with the event you're interested in attending.

UPCOMING DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES EVENTS



TIMOTHY J. DENTRY
President and CEO of Northern Light Health
Monday, March 21, 2022
12 - 1 p.m. at the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business

On April 1, 2020, Tim Dentry became president and CEO of Northern Light Health (NLH), having served as NLH chief operating officer for the prior three years. Mr. Dentry brings a wealth of experience in organizational and cultural transformation, care delivery model integration, and quality, service and economic performance growth.

Prior to joining Northern Light Health, he focused his career on international health delivery improvement, from Addis Ababa to Abu Dhabi, with institutional backing from Yale University and Johns Hopkins Medicine. In the United States, Dentry has held executive positions with success in growing markets, new service development, and physician and health system partnerships. Dentry is a graduate of Loyola University Maryland's MBA and Bachelor of Science programs, as well as a Fellow in International Health from Yale University.



TONY SHURMAN
President and CEO of Jasper Wyman and Son ("Wyman's")
Wednesday, April 6, 2022
12 - 1 p.m. at the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business

Tony Shurman is president and CEO of Jasper Wyman & Son ("Wyman's"), one of the largest brands of frozen fruit in the United States with its most notable offering being wild blueberries. Founded in 1874, Wyman's is a family-owned business headquartered in Down East Maine with an ongoing commitment to environmental stewardship, corporate social responsibility and innovation. Shurman joined the company in 2017, excited by its growth prospects, the opportunity to enhance health through the remarkable wild blueberry and the chance to live and work in Maine.

Prior to joining Wyman's, Tony led the Post Foods breakfast-cereal business which includes brands such as Honey Bunches of Oats, Grape Nuts, Pebbles and Post Shredded Wheat. Earlier in his career he worked in brand management roles on a diverse range of brands from Trident chewing gum to Advil. In 2000, he founded a breath-mint company he built over six years that launched multiple innovative products in the United States, Mexico and Asia. Tony has experience living and working across a number of geographies including Japan, Europe, Brazil, South Africa and the United States. Tony lives with his wife, two sons and two dogs in Yarmouth, Maine.


Jordi Cabau Limens

Fall to Remember

Although COVID wiped out most of the fall 2020 season for Husson University, it didn't stop the Eagles from continuing to hone their craft and dedicate their time to performing in the classroom and improving on the practice field.

When the Eagles returned back to action in fall of 2021, it didn't take long for followers to see that the drive and hunger within Husson's student-athletes to compete and get back to their winning ways had been pent up for over a year and needed to be released.

Husson announced its return to the playing surface with five conference championships, five player of the year selections, three rookie of the year awards, two coach of the year titles, seven all-region selections and 39 all-conference nods.

Both the men's and women's soccer teams won North Atlantic Conference (NAC) regular-season championships, while the women's tennis team took home their fourth-consecutive NAC title.

Men's golf won their 15th NAC conference trophy since 2003 and field hockey made it two out of the last three New England Collegiate Conference regular-season championships.

Men's soccer sophomore **Jordi Cabau Limens** was named NAC Player of the Year while freshmen **Pedro Molina, Arni Hreidarsson** along with Limens earned United Soccer Coaches Division III All-Region I nods. Senior **Jahmal Williams** was selected as the NAC Senior Scholar Athlete, while on the women's side, freshman **Natalie Aviolla** became just the third player in program history to win conference Rookie of the Year, while also being named to the United Soccer Coaches Division III All-Region I team.

Freshman **Ava Dowling** became the second runner in program history to win NAC Rookie and Runner of the Year in the same season following a stellar freshman season, while senior **Joel Bond** was the first runner in school history to qualify for the NCAA Division III cross country championship.

Sophomore **Emily Doten** won NAC Rookie of the Year, becoming just the second tennis player in program history to take home that hardware, while head women's tennis coach **Josh Warren** made it four consecutive coach of the year titles.

Head men's and women's golf coach **Mike Dugas** also won his third Coach of the Year honor while sophomore **Will Kavanaugh** and junior **Max Woodman** were named Co-players of the Year.


Ava Dowling

Football senior's **Aidan Hogan, Frank Curran** and **Juwan Moore** earned d3football.com All-Region 1 accolades, while Curren was named NAC Defensive Lineman of the Year and to the Noontime Sports All-New England Team along with Hogan. Additionally, Hogan was voted to the New England Football Writers Division II/III All-New England Team. With winter sports in full swing and the spring season fast approaching, Husson will look to continue its winning tradition and further help to put the Eagles on the Division III map.

To see Husson sports teams in action through a streaming video feed, visit **portal.stretchinternet.com/Husson** and click on the "Watch" button associated with the specific match of interest.


Emily Doten

LEAVING A LEGACY

Bourke Trask '53 has consistently supported Husson for years. He recently decided to make a legacy gift to Husson; one that will provide him with income for life and also allow him to make a substantial gift to Husson.

"I have so many good memories of Husson," Bourke said of his time at Husson. "Of course, I went there way, way back, but there have been lots of friends. I love seeing how the college is moving forward. The new building for the College of Business is impressive. I want to be a bigger part of Husson's future success."

Bourke spent most of his entire career helping people invest their savings. After serving two years in the Army as a member of the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment stationed at Arlington Cemetery, he found his passion as an investment professional, spending the rest of his career as a stock broker. He loved helping people invest, relished seeing their goals met and enjoyed the personal relationships that developed.

When asked why he chose this type of gift, Bourke indicated that it allowed him to make a significant contribution while also benefitting him. "I made my largest gift ever, yet now receive more income each year. With interest rates being so low, it was a wonderful opportunity. I diversified my investment portfolio too. We've had a wonderful run in the stock market, but I feel now is the time to make sure I have a number of different types of investments. The Charitable Gift Annuity I established with Husson checked all the boxes and allowed me to support my school."



Interested in learning if a Charitable Gift Annuity is right for you?

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Vice President for
Advancement at
robinsons@husson.edu
or **207.941.7617.**



Husson Alumni and Friends are Returning to Florida!

For over a decade, members of the Office of Advancement have headed down south to host events for our Eagle Network of Husson Alumni and Friends. We want YOU to join us! If you spend time during the winter in Florida, be sure to let us know by contacting Christine Mihan, director of alumni relations at 207-941-7170, or mihanc@husson.edu, so that we can include you in our invitation lists! Events over the years have included group tickets to baseball games, luncheons, beachside receptions, boat tours and more. Information for this year's events, and future events, is located at www.husson.edu/florida.



When & Where

MARCH 14 — NAPLES
Reception, Glen Eagle Golf Club
4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Host: Bruce MacGregor

MARCH 15 — FORT MYERS
Red Sox vs. Minnesota
11:05 a.m. Picnic | 1:05 p.m. Game
$25/person picnic | $60/person game & picnic

MARCH 16 — CLEARWATER BEACH
Sunset Reception, Sandpearl Resort
5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

MARCH 17 — THE VILLAGES
Luncheon, Waterfront Inn
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

MARCH 18 — WEST PALM BEACH
Washington Nationals vs. The Yankees
1:05 p.m. Game | $60/person

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

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Online: www.husson.edu/florida

Email: alumni@husson.edu
Call: Christine Mihan, Director of Alumni Relations at **207.941.7170**

PROFILES OF ALUMNI SUCCESS

Steve Coston '16 – Financial Advisor and Boutique Hotel Owner



After high school, **Steve Coston** wasn't sure what he wanted to do professionally. "I took a few community college classes but didn't have any clear direction or goal," he said.

His dad Paul, a certified public accountant (CPA) at Coston & McIsaac, suggested that Steve read some business books. These books sparked Steve's interest in finance and motivated him to pass the Series 65 investment industry exam before attending college.

During this time, he paid his bills by working at the family hotel. "My grandfather built the Villager Motel in Bar Harbor in the late 60s," he said. When his aunt wanted to retire, the family sold it to Witham Family Hotels. Coston stayed on and performed menial tasks like the laundry or manning the front desk.

"When Witham came in, they changed how the motel operated and looked," said Coston. "Watching that made me think more about hotel management as a business."

His father then suggested that Coston go to Husson to study finance. While Steve had the knowledge he gained from his Series 65 studies, he

Traviana Higgins '20, '20G – U.S. Border Patrol



Traviana Higgins '20 always knew that she would end up working in law enforcement since her mom was a probation and correctional officer and her dad worked for Maine Drug Enforcement. "I wanted a career where I could help people. That's why I chose law enforcement."

Higgins chose to attend Husson and was glad she did. At the University's legal career fairs, she learned about all sorts of professional opportunities. "While there were lots of possible career options, there was something about the Border Patrol's mission that called to me. Besides keeping our borders secure and safe, they save abandoned people dying from heat exhaustion or dehydration, and stop drug smugglers from entering the country."

> "My Husson degrees helped me make it through one of the toughest law enforcement academies in the country. Don't ever count yourself out. You can do way more than you think."
> —Traviana Higgins

Jason Falvey '08, '10G – Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science



Every year, the National Institute on Aging (NIA), a branch of the National Institutes of Health, selects 10-12 high-impact research projects for financial support as part of the Paul B. Beeson Emerging Leaders in Aging Career Development Award program. Funded projects must be devoted to improving the health of older adults.

After sifting through numerous funding requests from a national pool of academics, Dr. Jason Falvey was selected by the NIA to receive a $1.1 million award to study ways to improve older adults' recovery after hospital stays. Notably, Falvey was the first physical therapist in 15 years to receive this award and the first Husson graduate to receive funding support from this NIA mechanism.

"Our research has three parts," said Falvey who works today as an assistant professor in the Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science, as well as the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. "We'll be analyzing data from more than 12 million Medicare beneficiaries to determine which neighborhoods help seniors stay active. We'll also be interviewing 40-50 low-income patients to find

Frank Parillo '67 – Shell Oil Company and Real Estate Entrepreneur



"I was a guard back when **Del Merrill '54, '85H** coached the Husson basketball team," said **Frank Parillo '67**. "I probably played basketball more than I studied business administration," he said with a laugh.

Parillo met his wife **Delores (Rowell) '66** while he was at Husson. They've been married 56 years. In addition to his wife, Frank's brother **Jim** also graduated from Husson in 1971.

After graduating, Parillo worked for the Shell Oil Company as a marketing rep. "I was responsible for about 20 service stations in the Albany/Schenectady area," he said. "This included finding the dealers who'd own the stations. Back then, gas was only 19 cents a gallon and everyone was in uniform, cleaning windows and checking oil."

After Shell relocated Parillo and his wife Delores three times in one year, he decided to become a dealer himself. "We started at Exit 16 off of I-87 in Wilton, New York and we're still there today," he said. "Now it's a travel plaza with a restaurant, a convenience store and about 20 acres of paved parking that can fit 150 trucks."

Next, the Parillos started to acquire other Texaco, Mobil and Shell stations. "We had six locations at one time and

> "It's like Associate Professor **Paul Morrow** always says: 'Wishing won't make it so.' With Husson's help, I was able to dig in, work hard and reap the rewards."
> —Steve Coston

still lacked the fundamental business knowledge he needed to move forward. As he attended classes, he started making business decisions.

In 2015, he and his mom bought a small 12 room motel and made it successful. "If 12 rooms worked, then having more rooms would be even better."

Coston started buying up and redeveloping small boutique hotels with nine to 48 rooms. This summer, he anticipates owning 240 rooms.

Meanwhile, his dad's firm merged with another organization to form Coston, McIsaac & Shea. Steve joined the firm's burgeoning practice to offer clients investment advice. Today, Coston conducts independent research and manages the organization's stock portfolio.

"The practical education I received at Husson helped bring everything in my life together," said Coston.

After graduating from Husson University in 2020 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, a master's in criminal justice administration and a certificate in counterterrorism and counterinsurgency, Higgins enrolled in the U.S. Border Patrol Academy in New Mexico. She recently graduated with distinction as their top female cadet and the top non-native Spanish speaker in her class.

"The Academy was an incredible experience," said Higgins. "It consisted of 117 training days over the course of six months. We learned physical techniques, Spanish, law, operations, driving, firearms and tactics. Exposure days, when we were exposed to tear gas, sprays, tasers, or pepperball launchers, were the toughest. Intense evaluations in every class pushed every academy cadet to their physical and mental limits."

All new trainees are initially assigned to help protect the southern border. Higgin's current duty station is in El Centro, California.

"I'm from a tiny town in the middle of Maine and I have asthma," she said. "Initially, I was intimidated to do such a physically demanding job, but because my professors were so supportive, I pushed myself further than I ever thought I could."

out what they need to get back to the activities they love," said Falvey. "The final step is to develop new treatment protocols. These protocols will inform new policies that'll make communities more accessible for older adults."

Having earned a dual major in English and kinesiology in 2008 from Husson and being named class valedictorian, Falvey is well prepared to take on a research project of this magnitude. Besides earning a Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) from Husson in 2010,

> "Developing policies for seniors that encourage improved mobility can go a long way toward making life worthwhile. It's all about maintaining a high quality of life as we age."
> —Jason Falvey

he treated patients for four years at the Maine General Medical Center and with two healthcare organizations in Wyoming. In 2014, Falvey entered the PhD program at the University of Colorado's Anschutz Medical Campus. This led to a two-year fellowship at Yale School of Medicine in the Division of Geriatrics.

Falvey is focused on patient-centered outcomes. He'll concentrate on what older adults tell him is the most important to them.

ended up selling a couple of them," he said. "Then we expanded into real estate."

"We built 17 apartments in my hometown of Ballston Spa, New York and sold them all a few years later. After the apartments, we got into the mobile home business. We had four mobile home parks and wound up selling three of them. Delores and I held on to one in Wilton that's about 180 units. We've also got several rental properties leased to major companies like AutoZone and Sherwin Williams."

"Besides that, we have three marinas that hold close to 600 boats," continued Parillo. "Between the marinas, the mobile home park, a lot of rental property, a restaurant, and the travel plazas, we employ about 160 - 180 people."

Parillo doesn't see retirement in his future. "Life has been good. I'm healthy. I get up every morning and go to work," he said. "Husson instilled a strong work ethic in me; a trait I still have today."

> "Being in business keeps me going, keeps me thinking and keeps me young. Even though I'm going to be 78 in July, I'm still working every day and love every minute of it."
> —Frank Parillo

Class News & Notes

Promotions, engagements, weddings, birth announcements and other accomplishments. Class notes can be found online at **husson.edu/class-notes**

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1970s

Sandra Monfiletto '78, '91G has joined Goodwill Northern New England as the senior vice president of human resources. This position was created as part of the nonprofit's aim to become an employee-first workplace. Sandra comes to the nonprofit with more than 20 years of experience at such institutions as Martin's Point Health Care, IDEXX, Maine Medical Center, WEX, and CIGNA.

1980s



Philip Laine '80 has retired after 40 years of service to the State of Maine. He spent 22 years with the State Liquor and Lottery Commission and 18 years with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.



Peter Mainguy '86 ΜΣΧ was in to visit **Paul Husson** in early November. Peter is the manager of the Ritz Carleton Hotel in Singapore.



Dr. Marjorie Lynn (Roberts) Bowden '87 retired from the Department of Defense in 2020 after 35 years of civilian service. Since retiring, she authored and self-published a book, became a blogger, started M-L-B Enterprises that offers services as a death doula, certified biblical counselor and life coach. She is also the CEO of Alpha Love 2 Life, a non-profit organization founded by her granddaughter and an instructor with The Institute of Whole Self Ministries. She currently serves on three boards in her community. She has three sons and five grandchildren.

1990s



Heather Richards, MBA '91, '97G has joined Atlas Healthcare Partners as chief revenue optimization officer. She will lead all revenue strategy and revenue cycle management. Prior to joining Atlas, Richards was the senior vice president of value-based care initiatives for MPOWERHealth.



Joseph Porter '92 has been selected to speak at the 2022 National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) annual conference in Las Vegas, NV March 10-13. Porter has been a national sales and finance consultant for Assurant for the last four years. NADA is the largest automotive conference in the world with speakers and presenters addressing the business needs of thousands of attendees in a myriad of workshops and roundtables. Joe's target topic, "Hiring; it's a Puddle not a Pool" will be a TED Talk that focuses on the recruiting and development of candidates and the newly hired to maintain strong employee retention at a time when recruiting long-term, forward-thinking employees is at a premium.



Joanne Campbell '94, '94G has been named executive vice president, enterprise risk management and chief risk officer for Camden National Bank. In her added role as chief risk officer, she will oversee cyber and information security, physical security and fraud, compliance, and Bank Secrecy Act responsibilities. Campbell first joined the bank in 1996 and has nearly 40 years of financial expertise.



Melissa Martin '96 has joined Belgrade Regional Health Center as a HealthReach connector. In this role, she will help patients access services and determine eligibility for benefits and submitting applications.

2000s

Amber Sloat '02, '22G was named Maine 2021 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Teacher of the Year for providing an outstanding CTE

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program for the youth in her community as an introduction to medical professions instructor at Houlton's Region Two School of Applied Technology. She has helped build the Health Occupations Program at Region Two School as well as aided in the development the Nursing Pathway Program in conjunction with the University of Maine at Fort Kent.

Michael Archer '06, '06G has been named executive vice president and chief financial officer for Camden National Corporation. After seven years at PriceWaterhouseCoopers, LLP, Mike joined Camden National in 2013 as vice president, corporate controller. Prior to his promotion, he served as senior vice president and corporate controller.

Sean Dow '07 serves as a specialist with the Maine Marine Patrol in Hancock County.

Adam Smith '09, '20G has been promoted to assistant vice president for enrollment management at Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania. Smith first joined the institution in 2019 as the senior director of admissions following a successful career as the director of undergraduate admissions at Husson.

2010s

Wil Kramlich '10 was promoted to assistant sports editor at the *Sun Journal*. He first joined Sun Media Group as a sports writer in October 2015.

Michelle Moscone '10 has joined Humana as the RN care manager.

Martha Shannon '10, Billy Shannon '09, '10 and their five-year-old daughter, Nora, welcomed a new addition to the family, Liam Patrick on March 24, 2021.

Jake Ferland '12 is a member of Troop J of the Maine State Police. Troop J has the responsibility of patrolling Hancock and Washington counties.

Brenda Gammon '12 is a certified tumor registrar for the MaineHealth Cancer Registry of Maine Medical Center.

Joe Visciano '12 has been included in two of the biggest categories in the 2022 Grammy Awards for Record of the Year (Kiss Me More by Doja Cat featuring SZA) and Album of the Year (Doja Cat album Planet Her and Lil Nax X album Montero).



Conor Sweeney '14 recently joined Volta Charging [NYSE:VLTA] as senior director, head of people programs where he'll manage the organization responsible for global HR program management, corporate communications, leadership development, and engagement. Prior to joining Volta, Conor spent more than two years as chief of staff and head of finance business operations at Box [NYSE: BOX] which is an industry leader in cloud content management.

Alex Knowles '15 has joined Chesapeake Employers Insurance Arena as the operations manager. In this role, he will oversee all aspects of facility operations and ensure the highest quality of service.

Popular Showtime series, Dexter, returned to screens in November 2021 for the first time since 2013. **Kris Bridges '02, '13, '16G, Lowell Davis '12** and **Steven Kocsis '15** worked in the set lighting and grip departments on the new show.



Lt. Kevin Gerrish '16, '19G has been named deputy chief of the South Portland Police Department. He first joined the department in 2001, serving more than six years as a sergeant and two as a lieutenant. Since becoming a lieutenant, Gerrish has commanded the Southern Maine Regional Crisis Negotiator Team, led the department's candidate recruitment team, and has overseen the supervision, training, and evaluation of officers.

Jackson Grimm '16 recently joined KSL 5 TV in Salt Lake City, Utah as a photojournalist. Jackson previously worked in the same capacity in Austin, Texas and Boston, Massachusetts.

Emma Plouffe '16 has joined Sugar Factory LLC as the special event coordinator.

Timothy Cormier '18 is an officer with the Maine Marine Patrol in Hancock County.

Jordan Hallett '18, '18G was promoted to information technology analyst at MMG Insurance. He first joined the insurance company full time in 2015 as a systems technician.

Casey Hynes '18, '19G has joined Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center as an occupational therapist.

Simon French '19 has joined the University of Maine team as a digital media specialist. He directs and produces broadcasts for UMaine athletic events and for marketing purposes.

2020s

Denise Dunne '20G has joined the University of Texas Permian Basin as the director of the Simulation & Learning Resource Center, labs and experiential learning. She comes to the institution with over 30 years of nursing experience and has been an adjunct professor at several universities in California and Husson.

Ian Jackson '20 joined WVII/WFVX Bangor as a production assistant.

Derek Madarasz '20 has joined Clair Global in August as an audio technician.

Taylor Avery '21G has joined Husson University as the new stewardship and communications coordinator.



Criminal justice graduate, Officer **Kayla Brooks '21**, received a lifesaving award from the Town of Bucksport for helping to prevent a suicide on June 25, 2021.

Taylor Giogaia '21 joined Kleinschmidt Associates as a marketing assistant in July.

Sadie Gusha '21 recently joined Peapod Digital Labs as an analyst in Scarborough.

Hannah Goodine '21 has recently joined Rational Acoustics LLC as a training support specialist. She is also a freelance audio engineer in the Portland, Maine and Boston, Massachusetts areas.

Musa Kaboggoza '21 has joined Dufour Tax Group in Portland as a staff accountant.

Paul Husson Needs Your Help!

He is working three days a week putting together an archive for Husson.

It is time to look through the boxes in the attic to rescue early issues of student newspapers, publications, correspondence and photographs (preferably labeled). If you like to write, memoirs of your Husson days are welcome and valuable.

Publications authored by alumni and biographical information about alumni are welcome. We also will accept memorabilia from Shaw Business School, the Bangor Maine School of Commerce, Husson College, Husson University, Eastern Maine General Hospital, Eastern Maine Medical Center, and Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center.

The Fogler Library at the University of Maine has a good archive of the early days of the nursing program. Paul will share any new accessions with them. Husson Athletics has done an excellent job getting materials about Husson's rich sports history organized thanks to some wonderful work by **Tom Branch**. Paul will make sure that sports information will reach its proper destination.



Paul is looking for a few specific things: a couple of wardrobe cabinets for Husson clothing and uniforms; and Commencement Programs for 2010, 2014, 2015, 2018 and 2020.

Paul can be reached by mail at 1 College Circle, Bangor, Maine 04401, hussonp@husson.edu, or at **207.941.7074**. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

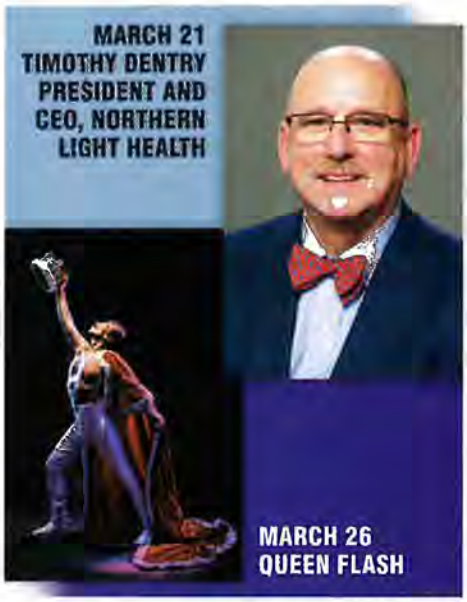
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Your connection to the Husson campus doesn't have to end after you graduate!

Regardless of whether you're in Maine, Hawaii or somewhere in between, we've got plenty of ways for you to stay connected.

Did you know that a newsletter is emailed to over 12,000 of our alumni and friends every month? This newsletter highlights what's happening around campus as well as upcoming in-person, Zoom and live-stream events you can participate in.

For instance, we have an ongoing Distinguished Business Speaker Series that offers both in-person and online opportunities to hear directly from prominent and respected leaders. Past presenters have included U.S. Senator Susan Collins, Stephen Smith, president and CEO of L.L.Bean and Bettina Doulton, the owner and operator of Cellardoor Winery. The series continues with Timothy J. Dentry, the president and CEO of Northern Light Health on March 21, 2022, at 12 p.m. and Tony Shurman, president and CEO of Jasper Wyman and Son ("Wyman's") on April 6, 2022 at noon.



We also have an opportunity to gather in person prior to the "Queen Flash" performance at the Gracie Theatre at 7:30 p.m. on March 26. Visit **www.husson.edu/alumni/events** to register in advance and see all of our other upcoming events.

You can only receive our monthly newsletter and notifications about upcoming events if we have your current contact information on file, so keep in touch at **www.husson.edu/alumniaddress**. Also, be sure to like and follow our Husson "Alumni & Friends" pages on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn. Let's make 2022 the year you renew your Husson University connection!

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1940s: Dorothy MITCHELL Simmons '46 | Kenneth H. SIMMONS '48 | Lorraine SINFORD McGray '48 | Alice GABRIEL Snowman '48, '96 ETE **1950s:** Gloria MOODY Lee '51 EMGH | Evelyn L. HARDING '52 | Eleanor FARREN Hampton '56 | Prudence LEWIS Henry '56 EMGH | Carol Evelyn WARE '56 | Raynald A. MARTIN '57 **1960s:** Ronald BISHOP '60 | Harry JONES, III '60 | Robert J. DORE '64 | Robert BROWN '65 | Keith MCBURNIE '66 **1970s:** Delmar "Chappy" CLARK '71 | Julia BIRD '72 | Harry FRASER '75 TKE | Judith WEED '75 **1980s:** Jeanne TURNER '82 | Marion ZERMANE Dover '89G **1990s:** James F. MURPHY '91 | Kurt VIOLETTE '97 **2000s:** Joshua FOSS '03 | Diane RICHARDS Hibbard '04 | Gregory MARTIN '04 | Donna DEBLOIS '05G, '13G | Philip R. GRAY '08, '11G **2010s:** Matthew J. ADAMS '10 | Patrick WORCESTER '13 **2020s:** MacKenzie CLOW '20
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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Marrisa Williams '21
Vice Chair
Southern Maine Alumni Board

Larry Homsted '64
Bangor Alumni Board



1. What made you decide to attend Husson?



MARRISSA: I made multiple trips to Husson while I was in high school and each time I went, it felt more and more like home. Everyone I met during my visits made me feel so welcome. It felt like a true community.



LARRY: I spent the summer of 1960, after high school graduation, working for a company moving furniture. I decided there's got to be a better way to make a living. After discussing things with my folks, I decided to take some business courses at Husson to better my chances of getting a desk job.

2. How did Husson prepare you for your career?



MARRISSA: Husson prepared me for my career by providing internship opportunities. In addition, the University gave me the chance to practice interview skills through the Career Services Center and network with both alumni and professors.



LARRY: During the spring of my freshman year, I filled out several job applications with businesses in downtown Bangor. I got a call back from Merchants National Bank in April and started my training the very next week. This was the beginning of my 31-year career in banking. I continued taking classes at Husson while I was working part-time at the bank. Many of my classes were directly related to what I was doing at the bank.

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3. Tell us about an individual or experience that made an impact on your time at Husson.



MARRISSA: I think that the best way to get involved is through clubs and student activities. I was excited when approached by my exercise science professor to help start the Exercise Science Society (ESS). ESS helped others understand our goal for the campus and is now a thriving club.



LARRY: William (Bill) Curran, head of the Business Administration Department, was probably the one instructor I connected with the best. I could go to him with any questions, school or work related, and he would take the time to sit and talk things out with me. He was a great guy, super compassionate, and very knowledgeable.

4. How are you staying connected to Husson?



MARRISSA: After graduation I knew I wanted to stay connected to Husson. I decided that the best way to do that was to get involved with the alumni community. I joined the Southern Maine Alumni Board and I've been participating in events in my area.



LARRY: Connected? Oh boy, am I ever connected! Several years ago, I became a groupie for the women's soccer team and have supported them ever since. I also follow the women's volleyball team, the softball team and attend as many sporting events as possible. In addition, I attend shows at the Gracie Theatre, volunteer whenever possible for various events, and serve on the Bangor Alumni Board. Husson is my second family!

5. What do you like to do in your free time?



MARRISSA: In my spare time I love to go to the beach, visit with friends and family, and take walks and hikes around the New England area with my dog.



LARRY: My free time is spent working part-time, caring for my plants and flowers, making peanut butter fudge, knitting scarves for various teams on campus, attending local high school sporting events, and visiting friends and family. I also enjoy watching NASCAR, pro and college football, college basketball and any hunting or fishing shows I can find.

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