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Husson Basketball Stars Score with Induction into Hall of Fame

In February 2018, the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame announced this year's crop of inductees.

Inducted posthumously this year was **Delmont "Del" N. Merrill**.

Merrill was a professor, athletic director, coach and the head of the Department of Physical Education and Health at Husson College long before he became president. (See page 20 and 21 for more about Merrill's presidency).

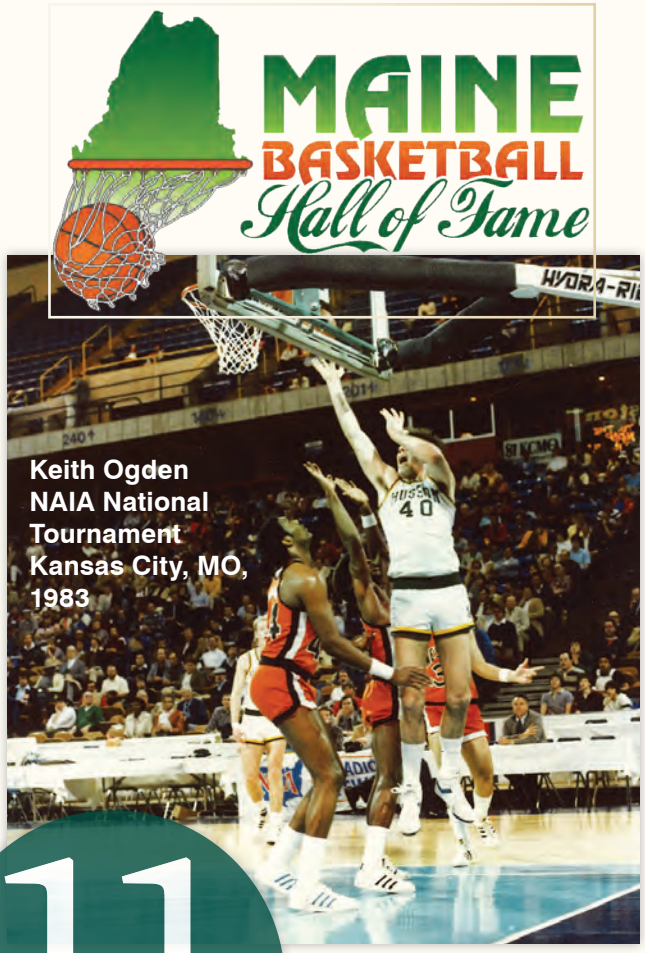
During his tenure as a coach from 1955 to 1968, Husson's basketball teams went 197-86, won seven league championships and two state small-college championships. Merrill also served as State Basketball Commissioner from 1975 to 1978. In 1997, he was inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame.

Also inducted into the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame this year was former Husson University center **Keith Ogden**. Ogden was a three-year letter winner from 1981-83. As a forward on the Husson men's basketball team, he played for legendary coach **Bruce MacGregor**. MacGregor was recently named an Honorary Alumnus of Husson University. (See page 23) Ogden racked up 1,235 points and 774 rebounds in 80 career games played.

His contributions also helped the Husson University men's basketball team chalk up a 64-19 overall record with a NAIA District 5 runner-up finish in 1982. Ogden was inducted into the Husson University Sports Hall of Fame in 2003.

Thaxter Trafton '61 was named to the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame's "Legends of the Game." Trafton played for Husson College in the 1950s. After graduation, he coached at John Bapst Memorial High School in Bangor and was the executive director of Bass Park — home of the Bangor Auditorium. Trafton is best known for being the president of the NBA's Cleveland Cavaliers and the International Basketball League.

The induction of these men into the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame is a tribute to Husson University's tradition of athletic and educational excellence.



Keith Ogden
NAIA National Tournament
Kansas City, MO,
1983

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Husson players inducted to Maine Basketball Hall of Fame

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Dear Alumni and Friends,



At this fall's Homecoming, I visited with many alumni. They see that Husson has become a full-fledged University with more program offerings and new facilities. They also see a University that produces graduates who personify character and humility and who are career-ready, day one.

One of the featured events at this year's Homecoming was a groundbreaking ceremony for our new Wellness Learning Center. Once completed, this 6,750-square-foot facility will be devoted to delivering health and counseling services to Husson students. The building will also include a 2,085 square-foot simulation center for interprofessional education that'll help educate students in Husson's nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and pharmacy programs.

Increasing enrollments in our nursing program and our other healthcare programs will fill a critical need in our state and nationwide. Here in Maine, where the average age of our population is the oldest in the nation, we're facing a predicted shortfall of 2,700 nurses by 2025.

That's why it's critical for Husson to help meet the need for more nurses. Our incoming Fall 2018 class had 130 nursing students, a huge jump from 87 in the Fall 2017 and 65 the year before that.

As we celebrate 50 years at One College Circle, one may wonder why Husson is excelling at a time when many colleges and universities are struggling. As in the past, Husson remains agile and creative in meeting the needs of our students and our communities. We continue to prepare students for their careers while giving them the tools they'll need to be lifelong learners who can adapt to this ever-changing world while remaining faithful to our core values.

Fifty years at this campus have brought growth and change. Despite that, your Husson University remains constant.

Sincerely,



Robert A. Clark, PhD, CFA
President



Homecoming is always a festive time when alumni can return to our campus, reconnect with old friends and see "their" school. They reminisce about professors who opened minds to possibilities, adventures they had with friends, and how attending Husson made a difference in their lives. They're amazed by the new buildings on campus.

Do we stop to think about these buildings? We should. After all, new facilities and renovations are more than just bricks and mortar. They're part of a trifecta. You need the right people, the right programs and the right facilities to make a difference.

A week prior to Homecoming, I attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony for our new Research and Education Center on Marshall Road in Bangor. This state-of-the-art facility features a variety of advanced research laboratories.

Research being conducted by Husson University faculty members and their student associates at this newly renovated building has the potential to improve Parkinson's disease treatments; understand the causes of obesity; avoid skin ulcers and limb amputations; create better treatments for depression and psychosis; and prevent cancer. Without this facility, Husson would not be able to foster groundbreaking research that may someday benefit every human being on our planet.

I look forward to seeing how our new College of Business building will help improve the world. With a dedication to fostering innovation, this building could be the birthplace of products and services that revolutionize our lives. We've seen how personal computers and iPhones have changed the world. With the right combination of stellar faculty, relevant programs, and a cutting-edge facility, anything is possible.

It's definitely an exciting time to be at Husson. I look forward to partnering with you as we help provide Husson students and future alumni with the tools they need to change the world.

Best Regards,



Sarah Cary Robinson
Vice President for Advancement

Around the Circle

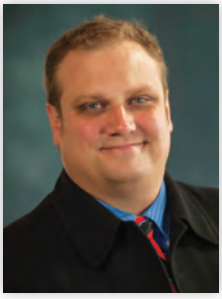
Accomplishments, events and items of note happening at Husson

Bangor Campus

Husson University IT Department Claims Second in Global Challenge. Congratulations to Husson University's "The IT Crowd" for claiming second place in the national Global Wellable Challenge. This team ranked second out of 105 company competitors, ending the challenge with 52,279.4 Wellable Points. The challenge ran from May 15 - July 9, 2018 and tracked steps. Team members were **Lenny Martin**, **Kyle Sirois '16, '16G**, **Patthana Symoungkoun**, **Frank Barton**, **Corissa Stowell '08, '08G**, **Clinton Libby**, and **Alan Andersen**.

College of Business

Director/Associate Professor Publishes American Government Textbook



Dr. David Haus, associate professor and director of online and extended learning, has published a peer-reviewed textbook, *American Government*, with Top Hat Publishing. The book is designed to be an affordable and accessible learning resource that's easy to update. It applies a policy-based approach to the study of American government. The e-text format also allows Haus to update future editions as changes in government occur. This ensures students always have access to the latest information.

Husson Faculty Member Speaks at IACBE Conference



Lee Speronis, JD, CHE, CHIA, director of the School of Hospitality, Sport and Tourism Management, was a featured presenter at the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE) regional conference at Dean College on October 18, 2018. The title of his presentation was "The Future of Learning is the Experiential Model." Husson University's College of Business is accredited by IACBE.

Integrated Technology Program Hosts State Police Drone Demonstration Husson University's Integrated Technology program provided students with an opportunity to learn more about drones and their applications to law enforcement. Besides speaking with Husson students, Major **Chris Grotton '18G** and Sergeant Darren Foster of the Maine State Police demonstrated the use of drones in the Newman Gymnasium on October 4, 2018.

College of Health and Education

Husson University's School of Nursing Receives Accreditation Status Notice Husson University faculty, staff, and administrators are proud to announce that the School of Nursing undergraduate, graduate, and post-master's APRN certificate programs all received full accreditation status without any compliance concerns or recommendations through Fall 2027. Even though this was the initial accreditation review for the post-master's APRN certificate program, and the typical initial accreditation time period for a new program is five years, this new program was granted the same 10-year accreditation status as the other programs.

Assistant Professor Appointed to National Committee



Dr. Jade Letourneau, LH, LCMHC (Utah), NCC, ACS, an assistant professor of counseling and human relations at Husson University was appointed by American Counseling Association (ACA) President-Elect Simone Lambert to serve as a member of the organization's Professional Standards Committee. Her term began on July 1, 2018 and ends on June 30, 2021.

Assistant Professor Publishes Two Papers



Assistant Professor **Dr. Kelly Macauley**, PT, DPT, CCS, GCS, published a manuscript entitled "Evaluating Changes in Clinical Decision-making in Physical Therapy Students after Participating in Simulation" in *Health Professions Education*. Dr. Macauley also had another paper, "Validation of a Self-report Clinical Decision-making Tool Using Rasch Analysis," published in the *Journal of Physical Therapy Education* in 2018.

Paper on Perception in People With Parkinson's Disease Published. **Dr. Ben Sidaway**, PT, a professor of physical therapy, just published a paper in the journal *Neuropsychologia*. The paper is the culmination of four years of work with Doctor of Physical Therapy students. It explores the possibility that deficits in higher order perception may be the cause of some of the motor symptoms seen in people with Parkinson's disease. Students participating in the research included **Aimee Aaroe '15**, **Monique Albert '15**, **Kristen LePage '14**, **Garrett Desrosiers '15**, **Meagan Keith '14**, **Alexandra Laniewski '14**, **Jaimee Perry 14**, **Caryce Morell '15**, **Jason Prada '14**, **Jessica Stuart '15** and **Rachel Voicechovski '14**.

Faculty Member Creates Video about Recovering Addict for Course



Assistant Professor **Dr. Patricia Eldershaw**, RN, has created a video about an individual who is in the recovery phase of addiction. The video will be used as part of her course NU 708 - SocioCultural Perspective of Addiction and Population Health. The presentation features a voluntary interview with a young man who shares his story of addiction and recovery. Students enrolled in NU 708 will benefit from hearing and discussing this story as part of their education since it addresses the effects of addiction and how this disease affects population health.

College of Science and Humanities

Podcast Interview for Book Release



Associate Professor **Dr. Rachelle M. Smith** was interviewed about her new book, *The Biology of Beauty: The Science Behind Human Attractiveness*, by Mike Carruthers for the "Something You Should Know" podcast. This text explores human attractiveness from a cross-cultural perspective, examining what makes someone beautiful and the costs and benefits associated with belonging to a body-conscious society.

Faculty Member Presents Paper and Nominated for Book Award

Dr. Adam Crowley's book, *The Wealth of Virtual Nations: Videogame Currencies*, has been nominated for the Southwest Popular/American Culture 2019 Peter C. Rollins Book Award.

Crowley also presented a paper at the 40th Northeast Popular/American Culture Association conference at Worcester State University on October 19-20, 2018. His paper, "Pay Not to Play: Wealth Fantasies in Early Video Games" was delivered as part of the Digital Media and Gaming Culture panel, which included participants from SUNY Delhi, Rensselaer Polytechnic University, and the University of Massachusetts: Amherst.

Faculty Presents Invited Research Seminar at Georgetown University



Dr. Ozlem Dilek, an assistant professor of biochemistry, presented an invited research seminar to the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular & Cellular Biology at the Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Her seminar entitled "Development of Bioorthogonal Fluorescent Probes: Turn-On Targeting of Biomolecules," described the results of research carried out in the summer of 2018 at the National Institutes of Health. The methods developed by Dilek focus on imaging aggressiveness in live cancer cells and have implications for diagnosis and treatment of cancer.

Husson Students Discover Novel Viruses



Over the summer, Assistant Professor **Dr. Emily Messina** and **Reilly Bolin '20**, **Samara Muth '21**, **Nick Eddy '20**, and **Ryan Tham '20**, four Husson undergraduate students from health sciences and nursing, participated in a summer research project designed to isolate and purify five novel viruses from the Penobscot River. These viruses, termed bacteriophages, infect bacteria in the water and restore usable nutrients to the ecosystem. As part of this project, the students received training in the use of a transmission electron microscope to take images of these novel phages. Students will present this research at Husson's Annual Student Research and Scholarship Day and at a regional conference this summer.

New England School of Communications



WHSN Recognized with Four Maine Association of Broadcasters Awards

WHSN 89.3 FM, Husson University's alternative rock station, received four awards on September 22, 2018 from the Maine Association of Broadcasters (MAB) at their annual News & Creative Awards event. The productions recognized by MAB were produced by the students and faculty at Husson University's New England School of Communications. Awards included second place for the "Best Locally Produced Program," third place for the "Best Feature," third place for "Self Promotion" and third place for "Sports Play By Play."

Bridges Nominated for Boston/New England Emmy Award

Video Instructor **Kris Bridges**, MEd, was nominated for a 2018 Boston/New England Emmy Award in the "Interview/Discussion Show" category for his work as a director on "Greenlight Maine." This program airs on Maine NBC affiliates WLBZ-TV Channel 2 in Bangor and WCSH-TV Channel 6 in Portland. "Greenlight Maine" is a program where local area businesses pitch ideas to panel of three judges as part of a competition for a $100,000 grand prize. The program is recorded in the New England School of Communications' television studio.

School of Pharmacy

Faculty Member Receives Prestigious Designation



Dr. Stephanie Nichols, PharmD, BCPS, BCPP was recently inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (FCCP). This designation recognizes and rewards the highest levels of excellence in the practice and science of clinical pharmacy and is the highest honor the college can bestow on its members. Dr. Nichols travelled to Seattle, Washington to receive this honor and is currently the only pharmacist in Maine with this designation.

School of Pharmacy Assistant Professor Receives NCPA Leadership Award

Dr. Cassandra Parsons, PharmD, BCACP, BCGP, assistant professor of pharmacy practice at Husson University's School of Pharmacy, received the 2018 National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) Pharmacy Leadership Award for Maine. Awarded individuals are recognized for their accomplished leadership in the advancement of pharmacy. Dr. Parsons has been a school of pharmacy faculty member for five years and recently served as the 2017-2018 President for the Maine Pharmacy Association (MPA).

Also representing the Husson University School of Pharmacy at the MPA Fall 2018 conference, in Portland, Maine on September 22, was former faculty member **Dr. Betty Harris**, PharmD, FAPhA, FASCP, recipient of the prestigious Bowl of Hygeia Award, and **Dr. Megan Jennison '15**, PharmD, winner of the Distinguished Young Pharmacist Award. Associate Professor **Dr. Stephanie Nichols**, PharmD, BCPS, BCPP conducted a two-hour naloxone training session, while **Dr. Michela Fiori '15**, PharmD, BCACP, presented a one-hour continuing education program on New Drug Updates.

New Facility to Support Research and Education

79 Marshall Road



"Our need to create new facilities is being driven by student demand,"
Lynne Coy-Ogan, EdD
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

5,968
Square feet of lab space

While Husson University is committed to providing a high-quality education at an affordable price, the University is also dedicated to making the world a better place.

This was clearly evident during a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday, October 12, 2018, when Husson University celebrated the official opening of their new research and education facility at 79 Marshall Road in Bangor, Maine.

"This state-of-the-art building will provide students with an opportunity to use their craft and develop professionally. In addition to research laboratories, it contains a pro-bono clinic that provides students with valuable experiential learning opportunities delivering healthcare services to those in need," said **Dr. Robert A. Clark**, president of Husson University.

The clinic is called SOARing Eagles Healthcare. Graduate students run the program with the supervision of licensed faculty, providing services free of charge to members of the public who could not otherwise afford it. "Placing the pro-bono clinic in the Marshall Road building gives us more opportunities to help the community," said Director of Clinical Education **Kim Steinbarger** from Husson University's College of Health and Education. "We hope to extend our services into the evening. This gives our students the opportunity to get hands-on, practical experience as part of their class work."

Nursing students and graduate counseling students are already utilizing new experiential learning-based training rooms and equipment as part of their studies. The upgraded nursing training area includes six hospital beds where nursing students can practice their skills.

In addition, the new building features a variety of advanced research laboratories. Husson faculty will be using the facility to study drug-delivery systems, molecular toxicology, pharmacology and more. Much of this research has important healthcare applications that could one day improve or save lives.

Also included in the new building is a dark room and a forensic science laboratory. Students pursuing a degree in forensic science in Husson University's School of Legal Studies will be able to analyze mock evidence items including blood splatters, hairs, fibers, and arson samples.

"Our need to create new facilities is being driven by student demand," said Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost **Lynne Coy-Ogan, EdD**. "This facility will help connect theoretical knowledge to the real-world practical experiences that take place in a professional setting."

Connecting to the Community with Free Healthcare Services

$33k
Approximate value of services provided to the community in 2017

New Marshall Road facility offers expanded opportunities for SOARing Eagles Healthcare program

In October, a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrated the opening of Husson University's newly renovated Marshall Road facility off campus. In addition to new laboratories for students studying forensic science and pharmacy, there is new space for the student-led SOARing Eagles Healthcare (SEH) program.

The pro-bono clinic gives undergraduate and graduate students studying physical therapy, occupational therapy, and pharmacy the opportunity to practice skills and techniques in a supervised setting, while providing much-needed services to those in the community who are uninsured or underinsured.

"I explain to the patients that they're going to have more attention in this clinic than they've ever had in their life," says **Kim Steinbarger**, director of clinical education at Husson University's School of Physical Therapy. "This immediately connects them with a whole group of students who are extremely focused and knowledgeable. Because Husson provides the latest, research-backed education to its students, these patients are receiving cutting-edge healthcare for free."

Steinbarger began working on the idea of a pro-bono clinic five years ago. "I realized Husson would be a perfect place since we provide education in so many health professions." She created a student board of directors. They then held a contest to come up with a name and logo for the new clinic.

SOARing (Student Operated Accessible Rehab) Eagles Healthcare began accepting patients in 2014. Until now, the clinic operated out of Dragonfly Therapy in Bangor. The owner had generously offered use of the facility on Fridays when they were closed. This fall, SEH began seeing patients at the Marshall Road facility.

Working at the clinic is a requirement for new fourth-year physical therapy (PT) students as a way to ease them into a clinical setting, according to Steinbarger. After that, it's on a volunteer basis.

In late 2016, occupational therapy (OT) was added to the disciplines offered through the clinic. OT students are not mandated to work at SEH but many take advantage of the chance to practice their skills in a clinical setting.

A requirement for third-year pharmacy students to participate in the clinic was added to their curriculum last year as a part of their Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience. There are no drugs at SEH, so pharmacy students practice taking vital signs and medication histories on patients among other skill sets.

"Students are exposed to a wide range of interprofessional activities," explains **Dr. Aaron Domina**, pharmacy's assistant dean for Academic Affairs. "The clinic provides great opportunities for pharmacy students to interact with faculty and students from other health disciplines at Husson, while they serve a need in the greater community."

Yieng Huah "Andrew" Tham '19 is the marketing director for SEH for the Class of 2019 and a sixth-year School of Physical Therapy student. He actively worked to recruit patients for the pro-bono clinic, visiting homeless shelters, churches and other places to spread the word. "It's important to me because I know how devastating and tough life can be when someone can't afford to get healthcare services," Tham says. "It saddens me. I just want to do my part in trying to help as many people as I can."

Jacob Lee '20 is a fifth-year PT student and also the director of marketing for the clinic for the Class of 2020. "I had struggled in classes but when I was able to put that book learning into practice, it all became so much clearer," Lee says, describing his experiences working at SOARing Eagles Healthcare.

Lee helped patients with everything from a sprained ankle to effects from a stroke. "They were so grateful for what we were doing," he says. "With the opening of our new facility, we will have even more space to treat more people. It's an exciting time to see the clinic start to grow more."

With the larger and now permanent space, Steinbarger hopes to expand both the hours and offerings at SOARing Eagles Healthcare. "Evenings obviously would work best," she says. "We're also looking to add pediatric patients because that's definitely a gap in the area."

545
Billing units of treatment

Boy Scouts' Distinguished Citizen Award Honoring Dr. Clark and Husson

Scout Oath

On my honor
I will do my best
To do my duty
To God and my country
and to obey
the Scout Law:
To help other people
at all times;
To keep myself
physically strong,
mentally awake,
and morally straight.



On Thursday, October 11, 2018, the Boy Scouts of America - Katahdin Area Council presented **Dr. Robert A. Clark** and Husson University with their Distinguished Citizen Award at their annual dinner held at the Anah Shrine in Bangor. The Distinguished Citizen Award is presented to individuals or institutions who have exemplified themselves in outstanding professional accomplishment, and are recognized by their peers as having achieved an exceptional level of leadership and success in their chosen profession. Honorees exemplify the ideals of Scout Oath and Law.

"Honoring distinguished citizenship delivers a message to our youth that character counts. The lives of distinguished citizens set examples that serve to inspire our youth to lead, to accept responsibility, and to care about principles and causes beyond self-interest. Dr. Clark and Husson University are two examples of outstanding character and humility," said **R. Scott Harvey**, scout executive/CEO for the Boy Scouts of America - Katahdin Area Council.

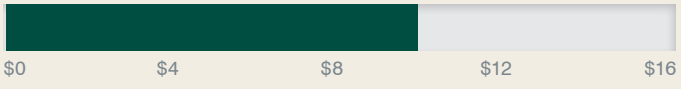
In accepting the award, Dr. Clark talked about how Scouting helped him learn to set goals and achieve results. "As a scout, my troop and I scaled the heights of Mount Katahdin. Working together as a team, we were able to reach the summit. At Husson University, we scale the summit of education by working together to provide students with an outstanding learning environment in a setting that emphasizes character building, compassion, service to others and the importance of social responsibility. We are honored to receive this award."

Ownership Transition Initiative Benefits Husson Students and Maine's Economy

Total Committed to the Business Building

(Includes the $4 million Alfond commitment)

$10.3 Million*



*As of October 31, 2018



Husson's Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business exists to support and strengthen the more than 30,000 family-owned businesses in Maine. To accomplish this, the Center provides seminars and workshops to family business owners, managers and their employees. Many area businesses have attended these sessions and gained valuable knowledge that helps their businesses become more productive and profitable.

What many people may not be aware of are the many other activities the Center for Family Business is engaged in to help family businesses remain successful.

For example, the Center is currently partnering with the Cooperative Development Institute, Sunrise County Economic Council, Axiom Education and Training Center, Eastern Maine Development Corporation and Acadia Capital Management II Inc., to develop plans that will sustain businesses after their owners retire.

"This is important to the economic health of our state," said **Dr. Brien Walton**, director of the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business at Husson University and CEO of Acadia Capital Management II Inc., a federally-certified community development entity that creates business financing solutions for economically-distressed communities. "Washington County has the oldest population of business owners in Maine. The largest source of avoidable job loss happens when a business closes because the business's owner retires. Helping business owners develop exit and business transition plans will help keep their employees in good paying jobs. That helps our state's economy."

To assist in the effort, Walton has arranged for Husson students studying business development and entrepreneurship; financial analysis and planning; and exit planning to work with retiring business owners as part of internships supervised by experienced financial advisors. "Students will gain real-world experience while small businesses in Washington County get valuable and needed business services," said Walton.

In addition, Husson faculty from the College of Business and consultants from Acadia Capital Management II, Inc., will assist in the effort to support entrepreneurs from Washington County.

This type of proactive business outreach that benefits Maine's economy will be featured in Husson University's new College of Business building. Husson envisions a cross pollination of sciences and entrepreneurship in this modern, learning space that will be dedicated to innovation and supporting business success.

Space in the new building has been allocated to agile workspace where new synergies can occur between Husson students, our faculty, the business community and technology; creating an entrepreneurial ecosystem of stakeholders. This area will promote innovation of new ideas, projects and partnerships.

"Once the College of Business building is constructed, we can create this innovation hub," said **Dr. Marie Hansen**, dean of the College of Business at Husson University. "Donors who support the construction of this building will be helping to ensure the continued economic vitality of our state."



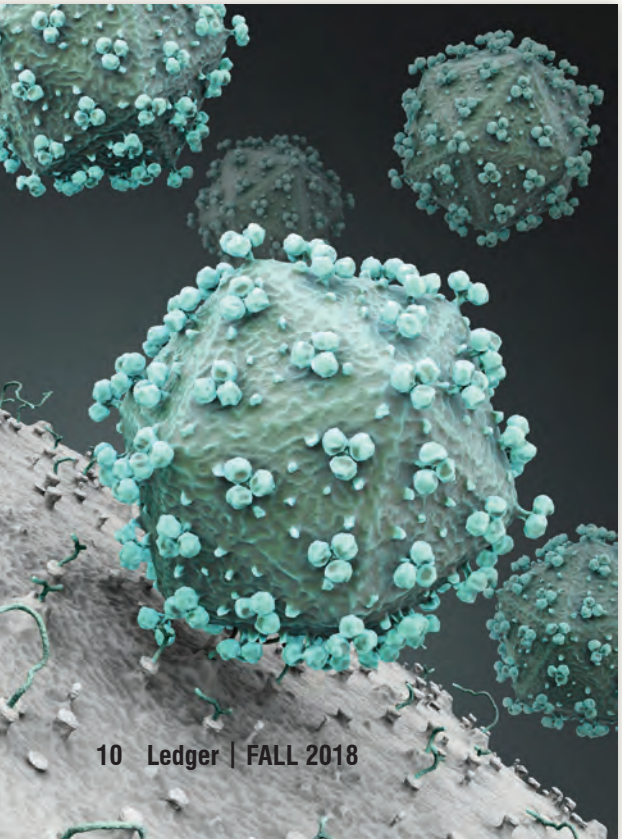
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Businesses served by the CFB in the last five years

Rakitha Malewana and Husson U. vs. Cancer and HIV

"He started his research work at the age of 15. His work has been discussed on many national and international platforms."

What is a 22-year-old young man, known to be the youngest medical researcher in the history of Sri Lanka to have worked on a preliminary-stage HIV drug, doing in Bangor, Maine? "I was studying in American National College in Sri Lanka, and when I wanted to transfer to the USA, my college advisor gave me a couple of options and Husson University was on the top of that list," said **Rakitha Malewana**.



HIV virus



Rakitha Malewana at the new Marshall Road Laboratories.

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Science and health labs at Husson

ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT RAKITHA

- Rakitha Malewana was named to *Forbes* magazine's list of "30 Under 30 Asia 2017: Healthcare & Science."
- Met Queen Elizabeth II
- Has been accepted to Cambridge upon completion of his undergraduate Husson degree.

Like many college students' finances, Malewana's are limited. "Husson took my extracurricular and academic accomplishments into consideration. They worked with me, which truly means a lot to me and to my family."

Vice President of Enrollment, **John Champoli**, said, "The University has worked with Rakitha financially to make his studies at Husson possible and fully support his dreams and goals in the areas of scientific research."

Malewana traveled more than eight thousand miles to start the fall semester as a junior. "From the very first day of my admission interview, Husson was supporting me and helping me reach my goals. I'm so excited to start my own research here at Husson with the help of the super-supportive administration and faculty."

The biology major with a business minor stated, "I'm a medical researcher, and I always want to explore in-depth knowledge in the field of cancer."

Dr. Don Withers, Malewana's advisor and professor of genomic biology said, "Husson is making an effort to attract foreign students, and in my experience, the foreign transfer students have a strong academic background. Raki (as he likes to be called) is a strong student and very resourceful and highly motivated."

Malewana acknowledged his research work is primarily based on medical and molecular biology with a special interest in HIV and cancer. He started his research work at the age of 15. His work has been discussed on many national and international platforms.

In 2012, Malewana established a non-profit organization called Hamzter Ideanerd Sri Lanka, which encourages school children to get involved in scientific research and promotes an innovation culture. He came upon the name because, "I love hamsters in my lab. I love working on my business, too. So, I named my company Hamzter," he said.

Malewana's aim is to help people achieve better health and well-being. In his first semester at Husson University, he spoke of true Maine hospitality. "I feel Husson is like my home-away-from home." As for his future, "Definitely grad school to do fantastic research."

Breaking Ground on a New Wellness Learning Center



Robert J. Ronan '79 retired senior vice president of technology at Fidelity Investments, and current chair of the Husson University Board of Trustees (left) had the honor of breaking ground on a new Wellness Learning Center along with Kelsey Frank, a senior nursing student, (center) and Husson University President Dr. Robert A. Clark.

It was an occasion that would forever change the face of Husson University's Bangor campus. On October 19, 2018, the first spades of earth were turned as part of the groundbreaking ceremony for a new Wellness Learning Center between the Robert O'Donnell Commons building and the Beardsley Meeting House.

"Building this new facility in one of the most visible locations on our campus demonstrates our commitment to healthcare academic programs and to the health of our students," said **Robert J. Ronan '79**, retired senior vice president of technology at Fidelity Investments and current Husson University Board of Trustees chair.

When completed, this building will be the new home to Husson University's Student Health Services and Counseling Services.

Student Health Services provides high-quality, inexpensive, convenient healthcare and resources to Husson students. Keeping the campus healthy helps students achieve greater academic success. Counseling Services help students use their strengths and resources to overcome barriers and develop new strategies to improve their moods, relationships and performance. To accomplish this, Counseling Services provides professional counselors and self-help resources to students who need to address anxiety, depression, anger, substance abuse, and more.

The facility will also include a new simulation center. With an emphasis on interprofessional education, this simulation center would be utilized by students enrolled in Husson's nursing, occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), and pharmacy programs.

Kelsey Frank '19, a senior nursing student at Husson University feels that interprofessional simulation facilities benefit students. "Husson University's Simulation Center will give students the opportunity to better understand other disciplines. Understanding each other's roles will allow us to collaborate and provide the best possible care to our patients. I'm truly grateful I'm receiving the highest quality education at Husson University, and it excites me even more to know Husson is continuing to expand resources for students."

The new Wellness Learning Center should be completed in the fall of 2019. The additional learning spaces created by this new building will help Husson University meet the growing demand for healthcare professionals.

According to the Maine Department of Labor, "the advancing age structure of the population is a primary factor driving job gains in healthcare." Their data indicates that healthcare and social assistance will be the largest sector of employment growth in the next decade with over 8,000 new jobs created in the state by 2024.

Husson University President **Robert A. Clark, Ph.D.** feels that the new structure will address two distinct university priorities. "The wellness of our student population is, and will continue to be, an important priority. This new facility will ensure that our students receive quality healthcare services. Second, this project will provide the important and necessary infrastructure required to grow our healthcare programs; an area of distinction for our university. This project and our new College of Business building are among our highest priorities."



HOMECOMING 2018

















Each year, Husson University's Homecoming Weekend is an excitement-filled celebration with fun for current students, their families and alumni. This year was no exception!

Homecoming kicked off on October 19 at 11:30 a.m. with the Women's Philanthropy Council Annual Scholarship Luncheon at the Anah Shrine in Bangor. At the event, student scholarship recipients sat at the same tables as their scholarship donors. This gave the students the opportunity to say "thank you" to the people who are helping to make their education possible.

At 4 p.m. that same day, Husson celebrated a milestone in the 50-year history of the Bangor campus with a groundbreaking ceremony for the University's new Wellness Learning Center. This new 6,750 square feet facility will be devoted to delivering health and counseling services to Husson students, as well as interprofessional education to students in a variety of healthcare programs.

An hour later, the University held its annual Alumni Hall of Fame induction ceremony. The five alumni and friends of the University honored this year included: **Jaclyn Fish '05**, **Randy Wadleigh '87**, **Susith Wijetunga '93**, **Roberta Burke '66**, and retired Husson basketball coach **D. Bruce MacGregor**. This was followed by a social networking event in downtown Bangor at local businesses.

Homecoming weekend resumed on October 20 with a President's Breakfast for first-year students and their families at the Dickerman Dining Center. A variety of breakfast favorites were prepared by Husson University's award-winning dining services staff.

At 9:30 a.m., there was a ribbon-cutting ceremony for NESCom's newly-rebuilt, 1,400 square foot audio recording student at the Wildey Communications Center. The new studio space is more aesthetically pleasing and now sounds phenomenally better.

At the conclusion of the ribbon-cutting ceremony, the campus attended the annual tailgate celebration in the parking lot next to the Winkin Sports complex. This included a chili competition as part of this year's "Top Chef Cook-Off."

At the Homecoming Football game, the Husson Eagles obliterated the Anna Maria College Amcats 54-14. In other Homecoming games, the Husson women's soccer team shut down the Northern Vermont University - Lyndon Hornets 6-0, while the men's soccer team beat the men's team from Northern Vermont University - Lyndon 3-0. In a tough but competitive match, the Husson women's field hockey team lost to the Thomas College Terriers 2-0.

Capping off Homecoming weekend was a performance by The Association at 7:30 p.m. at the Gracie Theatre. One of the most successful bands of the 60's, when the campus was built, The Association has sold millions of records and earned six gold and three platinum records for hits including *Cherish*, *Windy*, and *Never My Love*.

Homecoming is always a great time. *We hope to see you next year!*





















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Husson By The Numbers

Sawyer Library

42k
Print books and media

38k
Electronic journal (access), periodicals, electronic

132k
visitors to the Sawyer Library in 2018

Students, Faculty and Staff

Nearly 500
Full- and part-time employees

3,781
Total enrollment 2018

192
High schools students enrolled through the Early College Access Program

Facilities

5
Sport venues

38
Traditional classrooms

2
Performance stages

3/6
Simulation and computer labs

217
Acres

Career Services

934
Jobs posted to career services database 2017-2018

435
Students and alumni actively using career services

982
Career counseling appointments and walk-ins

330k
Meals served at DDC and Eagle Grab 'n' Go 2017-2018

4
Dining service centers

Dining Services

245
Commuter meal plans purchased in 2017-2018

235
Catered events 2017-2018

17,892
Living Alumni of Record

$18.5M
Market value of endowment, 6.30.18

Advancement and Alumni

588
International alumni

$7.5M
Total philanthropic contributions FY 2018

768
Alumni donors in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018

30
Countries with alumni

481
Student Athletes 2018

7
Conference titles 2017-2018

5
NCAA appearances 2017-2018

Athletics

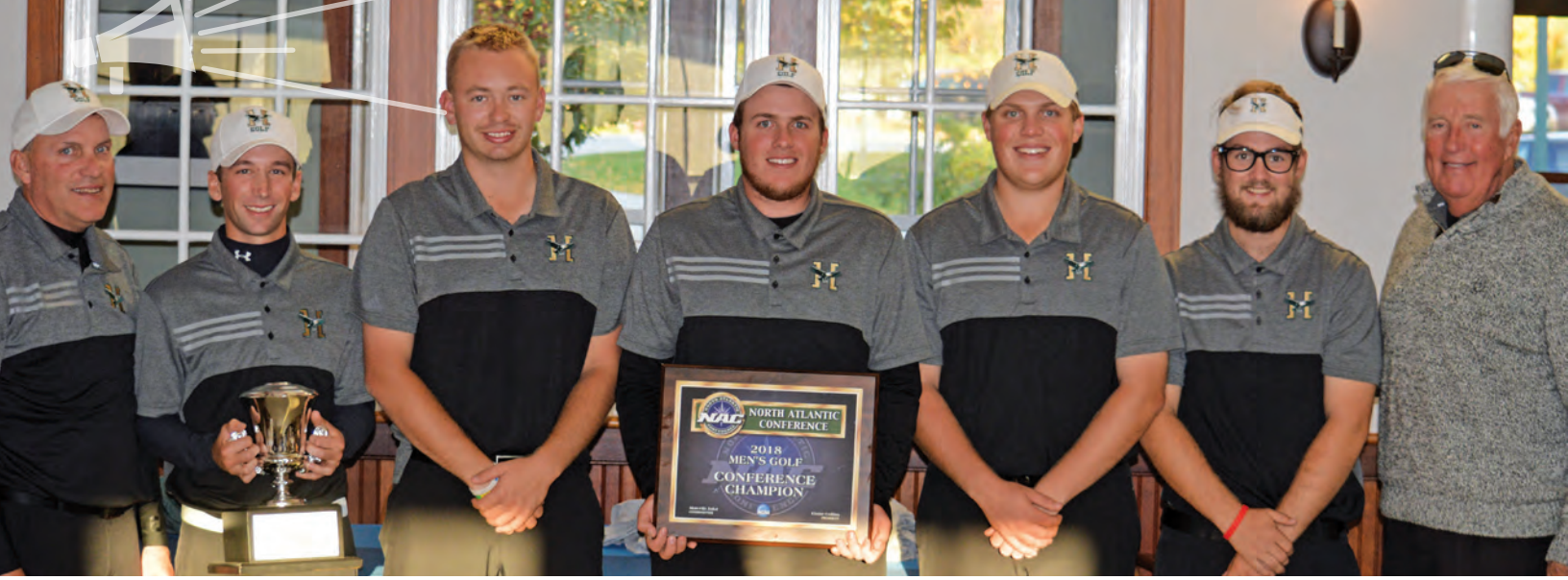
90
All-conference athletes 2017-2018

147k
Square feet in the Winkin Sport Complex, seating 3,000

1,676
Email career advising sessions in 2017-2018

24/74
Head/assistant coaches 2017-2018

6
All-American athletes 2017-2018



L to R: Head Coach Mike Dugas, Taylor Morang, Daulton Wickendon, Gavin Dugas, Eric Dugas, MacKenzie Clow, and Assistant Coach Bruce MacGregor

Eagles Land 14th NAC Golf Championship

The Husson University men's golf team held an 11-stroke advantage after the opening day of play at the North Atlantic Conference Championship and never looked back, as the Eagles claimed their 14th NAC Men's Golf Championship Title in the last 16 years with a two-day total of 619 in the 36-hole event at the Country Club of Vermont.

Husson sat atop the leaderboard with a cumulative score of 307 after the first day of competition. The Eagles held a four-stroke lead over Salem State (311).

Husson's **Gavin Dugas '20** led all scorers concluding the first day of competition, meeting par with a 72. He had two birdies throughout the round while teammate **Taylor Morang '20** and Salem's Eric Powers and Justin Serowik, were G. Dugas' closest competitors posting scores of 74.

Rounding out the scoring for the Eagles following Day 1, **MacKenzie Clow '19** shot a 78, while **Daulton Wickenden '19** carded an 83 and **Eric Dugas '21** finished with an 89.

Husson posted a 312 on the final day to secure the program's 27th National Tournament berth. SUNY Delhi totaled a 622 (318-304) to take runner-up honors, while Salem State followed with a 634 (311-323) for third.

SUNY Delhi's Daniel Christy turned in the best score of the tournament with a 148 (75-73), while Husson's Morang and Salem State's Justin Serowik were just two strokes behind for a total score of 150 (74-76). Husson's Clow and Salem State's Eric Powers came in fourth and fifth with a 151 (78-73) and 152 (74-78), respectively. G. Dugas of Husson tallied a 155 (72-83) earning him the sixth spot.

Wickendon carded a 163 (83-80) and finished in 12th, while E. Dugas tied for 32nd with a 176 (89-87).

Following the Husson men's impressive performance, seniors Morang, Clow, and G. Dugas collected All-Conference honors by virtue of their top-six finishes in the NAC Championship, hosted by Northern Vermont University-Johnson at the Country Club of Vermont in Waterbury, Vt. on October 13th and 14th, while Clow earned NAC All-Sportsmanship honors.

Morang collected his third All-Conference honor of his collegiate career and his second straight First Team selection after finishing in a tie for second with a 150 (74-76) card. Clow became the 12th Eagle in program history to earn three consecutive First Team honors with his fourth-place score of 151 (78-73) while also being named to the Sportsmanship Team. G. Dugas earned back-to-back All-NAC First Team accolades after shooting a 155 (72-83) to finish in sixth place.



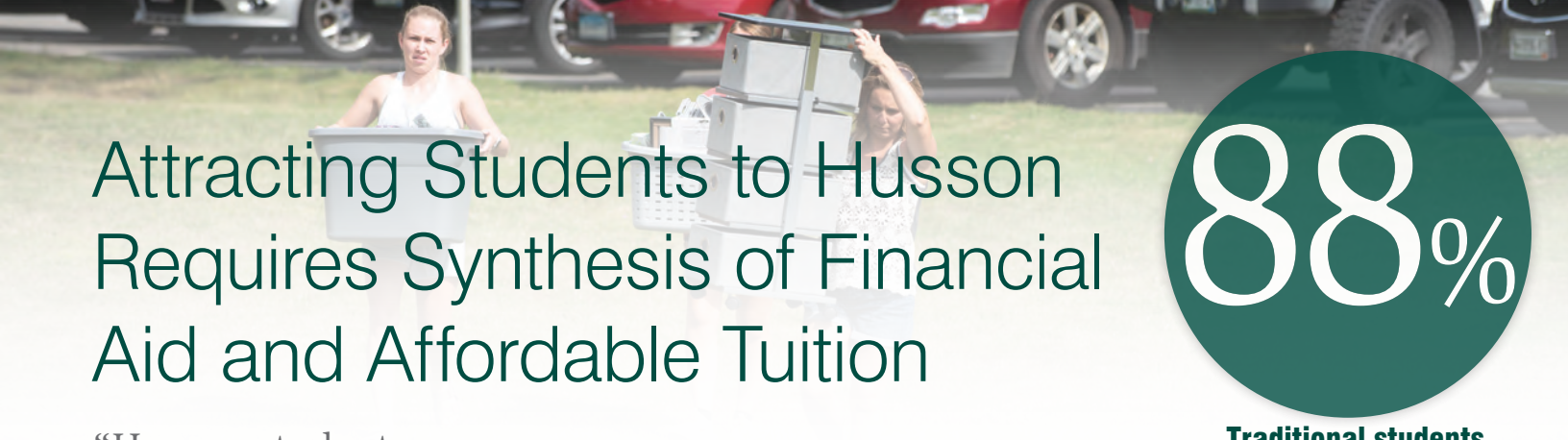
Bernie Mac Inducted into the Hall of Honors

Bernard 'Mac' MacKenzie, '34, was posthumously inducted into Maine Sports Legends' "Hall of Honors" in Waterville, Maine on Sunday, June 24, 2018 at the Alfond Youth Center. Mac was a teacher, coach and athletic director at Old Town High School for 43 years. He was also a member of the first Husson football team to play for the University.

While he was at Old Town, Mac coached Dick MacPherson, the longtime coach of the Syracuse football team and a coach for the New England Patriots. He also coached Gary Thorne who was the head broadcaster for the New York Mets, the New Jersey Devils, the Chicago White Sox, and the Baltimore Orioles.

He was an assistant coach on the '52 and '57 boy's state championship basketball teams. In addition to basketball, Mac won three state championships in cross country. He also coached baseball, football and track and had a 63-game winning streak as the junior varsity baseball coach.

Mac is a member of the Husson Athletic Hall of Fame, the Maine State Basketball Hall of Fame and many others.



Attracting Students to Husson Requires Synthesis of Financial Aid and Affordable Tuition

"Husson students represent a broad array of backgrounds, dreams, accomplishments and personalities," according to **John Champoli**, vice president for enrollment management at Husson University. Recognizing that Husson's student body comes from 25 different states and 42 different countries, Champoli said, "No two are alike yet [they] share common traits of hard work, drive, and perseverance."

Andrew Clark '18 of Washington D.C. is one of these students. The draw for him was not only the bachelor's in mass communications with a concentration in marketing communications program but, "the tuition was cheaper than any in-state college in Virginia, and I have had financial aid plus various scholarships such as the transfer student and president's list scholarships," said Clark.

While the largest percentage (77 percent) of the student population come from Maine, 18 percent represent other states in New England, and five percent come from other states and other countries.

One-hundred-and-two international students from countries such as Sri Lanka, China, Nepal, Afghanistan, Vietnam, Sweden, Syria, and Canada call Husson home for their academic journey. **Anne Tabor '12G**, director of financial aid at Husson University claimed, "Typically our incoming classes range between 30-37 percent first-generation students, and admissions numbers have continually grown over the past ten years fairly consistently."

"This current year was our largest in our 120-year history - up 119 students (16.8 percent) over the prior year's incoming class," said Tabor. "Our affordable, high-quality, experiential programs are what's driving increased demand."

Financial aid works from multiple formulas based on student need and academic profile. "We see it as part of our mission to provide high-quality education at an affordable price," said Champoli. In June, an analysis of tuition and fees by *U.S. News & World Reports* showed Husson University is the most affordable private college in New England. Champoli recognized having the lowest combined tuition and fees for all of New England's private four-year institutions is a draw.

A completed FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form and student's grade-point average are used in the various models for determining financial awards. In addition, admissions standards are specific to the academic program the student applies to, said Tabor, who added, "Our students are a part of a close-knit community of diverse individuals committed to success and great achievement."

Last year the University awarded students nearly $14 million in institutional funded grants and scholarships which is an increase of about $2 million more over the previous year. Champoli noted, "This was made possible by an increase in endowed scholarships through the generosity of our donors and the commitment of our Board of Trustees and president."

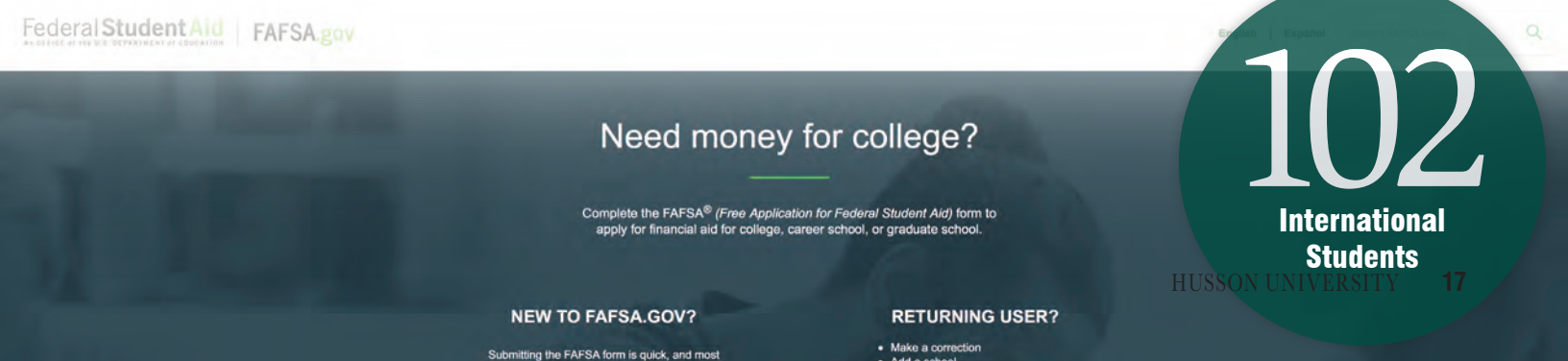
88%
Traditional students receiving any financial aid

$20M
Total financial aid awarded

$14M
Institutionally-funded grants and scholarships

125
Donor-funded endowed scholarships

102
International Students



A Legacy Family Creating a Lasting Legacy

158
Legacy students attend Husson University

Legendary coach Bruce MacGregor had a huge impact on Husson University athletics.

During his time as a coach, MacGregor amassed over 1,000 career wins in golf, basketball and baseball. Beyond coaching, he served two terms on the Board of Trustees and was a three-time Faculty Forum president. Today, MacGregor serves as an assistant golf coach and the chair of Husson's Sports Hall of Fame Committee.

The MacGregor family's legacy, however, extends well beyond Bruce's achievements.

Both of MacGregor's daughters, **Betsy Webb '83** and **Jill St. Peter '92**, were accepted to Husson and excelled academically during their time at the University. MacGregor's eldest daughter, Webb, is the Bangor Superintendent of Schools and a member of Husson University's Board of Trustees while his younger daughter, Jill, is a successful State Farm Insurance agent in Brewer, Maine. St. Peter's husband, **Jeff Buzzell '92**, completed his Bachelor of Science in business administration with a concentration in management at Husson and works at Buzzell State Farm Insurance in Ellsworth, Maine.

Betsy's husband, **Calvin "Chip" Webb '81** ΚΔΦ is a territory sales manager at Guardian Building Products.

The family's legacy continues with next generation of MacGregors. Bruce and his wife Christine, have seven grandchildren: Cameron, Gordie, David, Kelsi, Sid, Bruce, and Easton. Sid and Bruce St. Peter are currently attending Husson.

"My sons wanted to be Eagles after seeing how much Husson played a role in my successful career. I'm proud to be a graduate and witness my sons gaining a great education and experience," said Jill St. Peter.

Sid St. Peter is slated to graduate in 2019 with a Bachelor of Science in business administration (BSBA) while **Bruce St. Peter '21**, a center on the men's basketball team, is currently pursuing a BSBA with a concentration in entrepreneurship and small business management.

"When I think about what the university has given to me and my family, I feel blessed. I think that it's only natural to want to give back," said MacGregor.

In the spirit of giving back to the University, the MacGregor family, in honor of Bruce's 500th basketball victory as head coach, created the D. Bruce MacGregor scholarship in 1992. Each year, this scholarship is awarded to a deserving student.

"Scholarships are very important," he continued. "Many Husson students are the first generation in their family to go to College. This assistance takes some of the financial pressure off these students and their families." And beyond scholarships, the MacGregor family supports Husson's Annual Fund.

The MacGregor's are an example of the kind of collaborative relationship that can occur between families and Husson. For three generations, Husson has helped the MacGregor family achieve personal and professional success, and for three generations, the MacGregor family have supported the University. It is a relationship that benefits current students and those who will follow in their footsteps.

From L to R: Sid St. Peter, Jill St. Peter, Bruce St. Peter, Bruce MacGregor, Christine MacGregor, Betsy Webb, Calvin Webb.





Husson University Contributes to Area's Prosperity

There are many factors that help contribute to a region's economic success. One indispensable ingredient to economic prosperity is an educational provider who can supply employers with a knowledgeable, qualified workforce.

Husson University provides one of the largest percentages of graduates who remain in the Pine Tree State after earning their degrees. Approximately 75 percent of Husson alumni live and work in Maine. This includes over 5,000 graduates in the greater Portland area.

As the University grows, so too does the economy of our region. Husson employs just under 500 people. These individuals shop at local stores, purchase homes with loans from local financial institutions, eat at local restaurants, and much more. They make numerous local businesses profitable.

The University's contributions to economic growth do not go unnoticed. "Husson University's growth in enrollment and employment are directly and positively contributing to the Bangor region's economy," said **Tanya Emery**, director of economic and community development for the City of Bangor.

Simultaneously, the community enriches the education of Husson students. Director of the School of Hospitality, Sport and Tourism Management, **Lee Speronis** acknowledged that his students get front-line experience in the community.

Speronis said, "I oversee 40 internships and understand how these experiences benefit the educational process. At the same time, businesses form deeper relationships with the University after working with our students. The end result is a stronger bond between our community and our students as they both work in partnership to create businesses success."

Husson's growth in the region is not just employment related. The growth of the University's infrastructure also benefits the community. Last year, three townhouses, each comprised of six two-story apartments, were added to the campus.

A $16 million College of Business building is on the horizon, and a new Wellness Learning Center just broke ground. The Wellness Learning Center will utilize the services of Construction Consulting of Maine, LLC of Oakland, creating jobs in our community.

Rick MacKenzie, a principal with Construction Consulting of Maine said, "Husson University's growth in employment and infrastructure is evident. It's also exciting for us to see that momentum continuing into the future," said MacKenzie.

With an annual budget of just over $50 million annually, traditional economic impact multipliers would indicate an overall community impact of more than $100 – 140 million. Over the past decade, Husson has invested $78 million on improvements to our Bangor campus. Projects included new and renovated facilities, and infrastructure upgrades. Additionally, the University has invested over $6 million in the acquisition and renewal of the Westbrook campus.

This data shows that every business that provides products and services to the University as an institution, or to Husson employees who are members of the community, profits from Husson's success. It's a partnership that works for everyone.

Profiles of Six Presidents

Across 50 Years at One College Circle

Chesley H. Husson, Sr.
Bangor Maine School of Commerce President 1935 – 1947
Husson College President 1947 – 1970

When Chesley Husson arrived in 1926, our university was known as the Bangor Maine School of Commerce. Initially, Husson worked as a teacher-coach. Later, he was named the principal of the institution. In 1935, Chesley added president of the corporation to his list of responsibilities.



Husson was a champion of change. The Bangor Maine School of Commerce was a for-profit institution. It was Chesley Husson's vision and willingness to forgo personal financial gain that allowed this institution to become a non-profit organization.

In 1947, the Bangor Maine School of Commerce completed this transition and became Husson College with Chesley Husson as its president-treasurer.

During Chesley's decades of leadership, Husson College went from being a commercial, vocationally-oriented school to an accredited, specialized institution of higher learning that granted both associate and bachelor's degrees. The university we attend today is an embodiment of Chesley Husson's commitment to a high quality professional education, where students succeed, experiential learning is championed and global engagement is emphasized.

Dr. Barkev Kibarian
Husson College President 1970 – 1973

When Chesley Husson stepped down, Dr. Barkev Kibarian became the second president of Husson College. He joined Husson after serving as the president of Emporia College in Kansas since 1968.

Kibarian put Husson College on the path toward regional accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), the highest level of accreditation any college or university can attain. Even though the name of NEASC has changed to the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE), the standard of excellence required to earn this level of distinction continues today.



Other goals Kibarian set into motion included a reorganization of the College; the development of a positive and aggressive admissions program; the implementation of a statewide adult education program; and better communication between the Board of Trustees, administrators, faculty, staff, and students.

He also successfully petitioned the State Legislature for authority to grant Associate in science degrees. As part of an initiative started by Chesley Husson, Kibarian began conferring honorary degrees.

Franklin A. Peters, MBA
Husson College President 1973 – 1978

With the departure of Dr. Barkev Kibarian in 1973, the Board of Trustees appointed Franklin Peters as the acting president. He officially became the third president of Husson College the following year.



Peters first joined Husson in 1968 as a member of the faculty. After one year, he left to pursue his MBA from the University of Maine. He then rejoined the Husson faculty in 1970 and taught until 1973 when he was named president.

During his tenure as president, Peters completed the organizational realignment begun by President Kibarian. His presidency also saw the successful completion of the accreditation process. Initial accreditation was granted for three years. This was followed in 1978 by a successful five-year renewal.

Toward the end of his tenure, Peters obtained authorization from the Maine State Legislature to begin awarding Master of Science in business degrees. He also obtained several federal aid programs for students. Retiring in 1978, Peters was named president emeritus and chair of the Board of Trustees, a position he held during the following year.

Delmont N. Merrill, MEd
Husson College President 1978 – 1986

Following World War II, Delmont "Del" Merrill, enrolled at the Bangor Maine School of Commerce. In 1948, he received his three-year Business Education Teacher Diploma. After teaching and coaching at two high schools, Merrill returned to Husson University in 1953. The following

Most of the information in these abridged versions of Husson's presidents' profiles was taken from Husson College: A History 1898 – 1983, by Louise Brookes Miller and William Warren Cooke, pages 12 – 19, and the Husson University Ledger, Winter 2010, Adrienne Pelletier, editor, pages 20 – 25.

year, he became the first candidate to qualify for the Bachelor of Science degree, which he earned cum laude. He later earned a Master in Education and a Certificate of Advanced Study from the University of Maine.



After returning to Husson University in 1953 as an instructor, Merrill went on to become a tenured professor and the head of the Department of Physical Education and Health where he was a successful basketball and baseball coach. In 1973, Merrill became the vice president for administrative affairs.

Five years later, Merrill was named the fourth president of Husson College. During his administration, Husson initiated its first major endowment fund drive and established a baccalaureate nursing program in conjunction with Eastern Maine Medical Center. Merrill was also the first president to establish computer information systems in both administrative and academic areas. In addition, he helped the Master of Science in Business program become accredited.

Dr. William H. Beardsley

Husson College President
1987 – 2008
Husson University President
2008 – 2009

Bill Beardsley began his tenure at Husson College addressing financial issues. Within months of arriving, his administration successfully balanced the budget for the 1986/1987 school year. In 1993, he led an accreditation effort that resulted in a full 10-year reaccreditation from NEASC (now known as NECHE).

The campus experienced significant growth in 1994. A successful capital campaign led to the creation of the G. Peirce Webber Campus Center and the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business. Three years later, Husson College purchased the New England School of Communications, converted it to a non-profit organization, and built the Wildey Communications Center.

After receiving a $1 million gift from Harold Alfond, the Winkin Stadium and Alfond Field were constructed. Additional gifts led to the creation of the Sawyer Library, the Swan Center, the Trott Fitness Studio, the Boucher Soccer Pitch, the Kilgore Endowment for the Arts and the construction of the Robert O'Donnell Commons building. On top of this, the President's house was purchased on Broadway and the Furman Student Center was constructed. Other construction projects included the Beardsley Meeting House, the Cyr Alumni Center, the Darling Atrium and the Gracie Theatre.



Beardsley also doubled the number of doctorally prepared faculty as he added and received accreditation for more academic programs. Sports facilities were enhanced with the addition of the O'Keefe Softball Complex and the addition of artificial turf to Boucher Field. Enrollments increased during Beardsley's tenure from 700 to 1,000 students per year to over 3,000 in 2008.

The biggest change was the transition of Husson College to Husson University in October 2008. That same year, Husson hooded and graduated its first student in physical therapy. In 2009, the School of Pharmacy matriculated its first class of doctoral students.

Dr. Robert A. Clark, CFA

Husson University President
2010 – Present

On January 1, 2010, Dr. Robert A. Clark became the sixth president of Husson University. A native Mainer, Clark grew up in Albion. He earned a BA in Spanish, a BS in business administration, and an MBA from the University of Maine. He also completed a Doctorate in Finance (PhD) from Purdue University and has a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation from the CFA Institute. This designation is awarded to investment and financial professionals.



Prior to joining Husson, Clark was the vice president of strategic initiatives and dean of the Schroeder Family School of Business Administration at the University of Evansville. He was also a Fulbright Scholar at the Norwegian School of Management and a guest faculty member at the Business and Economics University in Vienna.

President Clark's tenure at Husson has been marked by enormous growth. Today, the University has 56 undergraduate programs and 19 graduate programs, including concentrations. Nearly 3,800 students are enrolled in undergraduate and graduate courses.

Under his leadership, Husson was recognized as having the lowest tuition and fees of any private college in New England. Today, the University is the home of the largest College of Business in Northern New England. With more than 95 percent of Husson graduates employed or attending graduate school within one year of graduation, Husson has a proud record of successful job placements.

Like his predecessors, Clark has cultivated University growth. This includes the full integration of the New England School of Communications into Husson University, the additions of the Living Learning Center, the Wadleigh Academic Center, the Ronan Center for Financial Technology, a new audio studio at the New England School of Communications and a new Research and Education facility. In 2017, Husson added three new townhouse student residences. One year later, the University broke ground on a new Wellness Learning Center, and in 2019, the University will begin construction of a new College of Business building.

The evolution of Husson University continues.

Husson's Heart of Giving



Patricia and Robert A. Clark at the President's Breakfast during Homecoming.



"...Husson employees not only met the Clarks' goal, they doubled it."
Sarah Cary Robinson,
Vice President for Advancement

$100k

In May, President and Mrs. Robert A. Clark issued a challenge to faculty and staff at Husson University. They would match faculty and staff donations to the College of Business building fundraising campaign up to a cap of $50,000. Just three months later, Husson employees not only met the Clarks' goal, they doubled it.

"During the annual faculty and staff breakfast in August, President Clark announced that $98,228 had been raised during their challenge grant and the Clarks were going to match it all," says **Sarah Cary Robinson**, Vice President for Advancement.

After the event concluded, an employee came up to Dr. Clark and asked a question– Would you take it up to an even $100,000 if I write you a check for the difference? The answer, was unequivocally yes.

"We both believe strongly in the importance of the new College of Business building in advancing the mission of the University to prepare professionals for their future," says Dr. Clark. "Engaging our campus community in this special challenge, provided an opportunity to build awareness of the overall project and need for financial support, and allowed employees to make an extended commitment and leverage the impact of their gift."

Contributions for this future centerpiece of campus came in from every single department at Husson University including professors, administrators, and staff at all levels. "One hundred percent of the College of Business faculty contributed to the new building," says Robinson.

The $100,000 Clark Challenge Grant works like this. Dr. and Mrs. Clark will make a matching donation of one dollar for every dollar contributed by employees to the new College of Business building, up to a total of $100,000. This same employee contribution will also receive an additional $.50 match from the Harold Alfond Foundation's $4 million matching grant program, through December 2019. Put simply, every dollar donated to the new College of Business Building by employees, between now and December 2019, yields a $2.50 donation toward the College of Business building, for as long as the match lasts.

Employee donations are helping to make the new College of Business building possible. Groundbreaking on the new $16 million facility is anticipated to begin in 2020, with the building slated to be ready for fall 2021 classes.

"Husson is the most amazing community I've ever professionally worked with," says Robinson. "For most of the people here, working at Husson is more than a job, it is a passion. I am grateful that so many employees chose to express their dedication and commitment to educating our students through their support for this project."

The Clarks believe the benefits of giving go far beyond Husson's campus. "As a not-for-profit institution, Husson fits the profile of a community organization that benefits not just its students, but also the broader community," Dr. Clark says. "Giving back to an organization that focuses on student success feels good as we know we are making a difference and having an impact."



Alumni Hall of Fame 2018

Each year Husson University recognizes prominent individuals as part of their prestigious Alumni Hall of Fame awards ceremony.

The event took place on October 19, 2018 at the G. Peirce Webber Campus Center in Peabody Hall on the University's Bangor campus and was followed by a reception.

Husson University President **Dr. Robert Clark** remarked, "All of these special individuals have made significant contributions to their professions. They have also demonstrated leadership in their communities. The distinction they have brought to themselves and to Husson, as well as their support for our University and its mission, have made them worthy of recognition."

The Individuals honored this year included:



Jaclyn Fish '05
Fish is a regional market manager for the Northern Metro Market at Bangor Savings Bank. She received the Young Alumna Award.



Susith Wijetunga '93
Wijetunga is president and owner of Tridyne International, Inc. a leader in the packaging industry. He was inducted into Husson University's Alumni Hall of Fame.



Randy Wadleigh '87
Wadleigh is the president and chief executive officer of Governor's Restaurants. He was inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame.



D. Bruce MacGregor
MacGregor was recognized as this year's Honorary Alumnus. He is one of the winningest coaches in Husson University history. MacGregor was a legendary men's basketball, baseball, men's golf coach and athletic director who amassed over 1,000 career wins.

218

Hall of Fame Inductees honored on the wall.

Plaques honoring this year's Alumni Hall of Fame recipients will be displayed prominently, along with plaques of other past honorees, in a hallway adjacent to the Campus Center on the ground floor of Peabody Hall on Husson University's campus in Bangor, Maine. This hall features every Alumni Hall of Fame recipient since the award's inception.



Roberta Burke '66
Burke is this year's recipient of the Presidential Outstanding Service Award. After graduating from Husson in 1966, she stayed on as an employee in Admissions under Chesley Husson, Jr. until 1971. Burke served on the Bangor Alumni Board and devoted many hours to assisting Husson University's Office of Advancement. Over her 45-year employment career, she worked in both the private and public sectors. This included working for the Joint Committee on Taxation at the U.S. Congress.

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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Class **NOTES**

1960s

Peter Briggs '60 ΜΣΧ has retired from the wholesale beverage industry. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Katahdin Savings Bank, serving since 1995.

Stanley Morin, CPA '66 has been named chairman of the board for Fellowship Senior Living in Basking Ridge, New Jersey and serves on several committees including finance and compensation. Stanley is a certified public accountant in New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania and is the sole member of Stanley J. Morin, CPA PC with over 40 years of public accounting and taxation experience.

1980s

Richard Clark '86 TKE has joined Otelco Inc. as the chief operating officer, a wireline telecommunication services provider in Alabama, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, Vermont, and West Virginia.

Charlene Shores-Lynn '89 has joined Five Rivers Health Centers as controller in Dayton, Ohio.

1990s

Bruce Anderson Grainger '90 has been promoted to senior operating advisor at Francisco Partners, a global private equity firm that has raised over $18 billion of committed capital. Bruce works with portfolio companies to enhance performance, grow the business, and create value for shareholders. Bruce is also a member of the Board with multiple technology companies. Bruce lives in Charlotte, NC with his wife, **Cyndy (Clavette) '90**. They have three children in varying stages of both college and high school.

Richard Bansley '91, '10 has been promoted to associate professor of computational sciences and director of cyber-labs at Liberty University in Virginia. He has been with the University since 2011 while also owning his own consulting firm, Black Mountain Technologies.

Paul W. Chute '93G has been appointed as the new chief financial officer for RadMax Technologies. Paul currently serves as the chairman of the Board of Directors and previously served as both the CEO and CFO of Acadia National Health Systems.

Ellen Bemis '94 has been selected as the new CEO of Aroostook Mental Health Center (AMHC). She previously served as the CFO for the Aroostook County Action Program for 20 years and has been a member of the AMHC's Board of Directors since 2011.



Motohiko Kimura '95 was one of twenty employees chosen by his employer, Elekta, to attend a 12-month long leadership training course at various leading academic institutions. Motohiko currently serves as Elektra's vice president of sales and marketing for Japan, as well as in special sales for Asia/Pacific, including all Asian countries, Australia, and New Zealand. Elekta is a Swedish company providing radiation therapy, radiosurgery and related equipment for the treatment of cancer and brain disorders. His most recent trip included a week-long course at Harvard Business School.

David Costello '97G has joined Daigle Commercial Group as a sales associate. Daigle Commercial Group is a company specializing in hospitality real estate headed up by **Roger Daigle '72**.

Sheriff **Kevin Joyce '99, '04G** has been appointed to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. He currently serves as chief executive officer for the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office and is the acting president of the Maine Sheriff's Association.

2000s

CORRECTION: In the summer 2018 edition of *The Ledger,* we incorrectly identified **Patricia (Patty) Hamilton '01G** as Patricia Olsen. We regret the error.

Carolina Quiroz Boutaugh '02 has been named regional account director for the Greater Philadelphia area for AstraZenica.

Dena Lebeda '02 has been appointed as the City of Westbrook's tax collector. Dena spent that last 17 years as the field advisor and examiner for the Maine Department of Labor's Bureau of Unemployment Compensation.

Erica Pike, FNP '02 has joined the Calais Regional Hospital Family Medicine office as a family nurse practitioner. Erica first joined Calais Regional Hospital in 2009 as the director of case management.



Vanessa Corey '03 was awarded first place in Best Radio Newscast at the 2018 Maine Association of Broadcasters Awards Gala.

Krista Putnam '03 has been promoted to senior vice president of marketing at Katahdin Trust Company. Krista first joined the bank after graduation in 2003 and most recently served as the vice president of marketing.

Andy Ham '05 is the new athletic director for Napolean Area City Schools in Ohio.

Ashley B. Dudley, RN '06 has been selected to serve on the Maine State Board of Nursing, representing the long-term-care nurse's perspective. She currently serves as the interim director of nursing at Quarry Hill in Camden.

Jason R. Falvey '08, '10 DPT recently completed his PhD training in Rehabilitation Science at the University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus. He will continue his research as a National Institutes of Health funded research fellow at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut.

Dustin Hunt '08 has been appointed as Middlebury Parks and Recreation's new superintendent in Vermont. Dustin first joined the department fourteen years ago as a part-time laborer with the goal of one day leading the team.

Dan Menard '08G, '13G has been promoted to the position of Lieutenant and will oversee one of five Warden Service divisions based in Sidney. Dan has been with the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife since 1993.

Dr. Min Sik Ryu '08, '08, '11 DPT is the owner of Ryu Physical Therapy, P.C. in the Greater Los Angeles area.

2010s

Gus Ofili '10 has joined the team of ERA Dawson Bradford Co., Realtors in Bangor. While a Connecticut native, Gus has been active in the Bangor community since 2006 and is an award-winning speaker with Toastmaster's International.

Amanda Gallant '11 was named director of human resources at Sunday River. She first started at Sunday River as an intern while a student at Husson.



Bradley Libby '11, '13 DPT and his team at Performance Physical Therapy & Sports Rehabilitation has been voted the Best Physical Therapy of the Greater Bangor Area for the second year in a row.

Matthew Adams '12 has been named retail sales manager for the U.S. Cellular Bangor Mall location. Matthew joined the store in 2016 as a retail wireless consultant and currently lives in Brewer with his wife, Lindsey and son, Logan.

Bethany (Sevey) Shalit '12 and **Ian Shalit '12G** were married on September 15, 2018 in Caratunk, Maine, and now reside in Cornville. Bethany is a Career Preparation Coordinator for JMG and Ian is a Paramedic for Redington Fairview General Hospital in Skowhegan and the Executive Director of Upper Kennebec Valley Ambulance Service in Bingham.

Brenn Alexander '13 has joined the team at Callagy Law in Paramus, New Jersey as an associate attorney. Brenn earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Maine School of Law in 2017. She recently moved to New Jersey after working for Isaacson & Raymond PA for the last two years.

Phil Finemore '13, '15G has joined the staff at Seacoast Physical Therapy as their newest physical therapist.

Joshua Tardiff, DPT '13, '15 and **Hilary Sivik, DPT '13, '15** were married on August 4, 2018. Josh and Hilary work as physical therapists in Southern Maine at Atlantic Physical Therapy and Coastal Rehab, LLC, respectively.

Jonathan Anderson, PharmD '14 has joined the pharmacy team at Cary Medical Center. He previously worked at Calais Regional Hospital as the pharmacy director.

Bryce Colbeth '14 has joined the University of Maine as the assistant director of athletic communications for the men's ice hockey, women's soccer, and softball teams.



Sarah Elizabeth Lehman '14 married Zachary Newman on July 28, 2018. The wedding took place at The Hitching Post, an idyllic New England barn built in 1830, located in Dayton, Maine. The bride was attended by Caissie Roberts as maid of honor, **Lexi Beals '14**, **Kaleigh Morneau '14, '14G**, **Brooke Washer '15** and Brandy Wyman, as bridesmaids and Sawyer Lehman as flower girl. Sarah graduated from Husson University with a bachelor's degree in psychology and is employed as a social worker at Maine General Medical Center, in Augusta, Maine. Zachary graduated from Maine Maritime Academy and is employed as an Engineer with American Maritime Officers. The couple are planning a trip to Europe for their honeymoon. They reside in Waterville, Maine.

Christopher Pelletier '14 has joined Duke's Drivers & Logistics in Massachusetts as a recruiter.

John Kilbride '15 has been announced as Falmouth Police Department's new police chief. Kilbride will replace Police Chief Ed Tolan in December, following Ed's retirement. He has been with the department since 1997, reaching the rank of lieutenant. Kilbride is a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

Josiah Hartley '16 has opened Brewer's newest brewery, 207 Beer Co., with business partner Jon Fader. Jon, having started his brewing career under brewmaster and Husson alumnus, Michael Anderson '75 at Penobscot Bay Brewery in Winterport, serves as the head brewer while Josiah serves as the brewery's chief executive officer. 207 Beer will specialize in small batch ales and American lagers.

Samantha Houston '16 married Tyler Nadeau on May 1, 2018.

Cody St. Germain, DPT '16, '18 has accepted a position at Dirigo High School as their newest boys' varsity basketball coach. An alumnus of the school, Cody helped Dirigo win its first state title in 29 years while playing in 2012.

Brianna Bires '18 has joined the news team at WABI-TV as a reporter.

Zachary Madore '18 has joined High Output, Inc. in Portland as an account manager.

After graduating, **Heather Wyman '18** accepted a position with R. H. Foster Energy, LLC as their Corporate Credit Manager in Hampden, ME. Heather makes credit decisions on new customers, review existing customers, and work closely with sales and other staff to ensure their new and existing customers are receiving a top notch customer experience. She is also in the process of becoming a nationally certified Credit Business Professional (CBP).

Melanie Glavin '18 DPT recently joined Memorial Hospital in North Conway, New Hampshire as a physical therapist. Prior to joining Memorial Hospital, Glavin participated in outpatient clinical training at Dover-Foxcroft. She also has experience working in the traumatic brain injury unit at New England Rehab Hospital in Portland and at Foothills Physical Therapy in Maine. Glavin is very interested in concussion treatment and would like to serve the needs of the aging athlete. “I want to help people maintain their physical status throughout life, not just after an injury,” she said. “Working with older patients is my favorite. I get to help them do what they want to do.”

NESCom Makes Noise as Educational Leader with New Audio Studio

A ribbon-cutting ceremony for a completely redesigned recording studio at Husson University's New England School of Communications (NESCom) took place on Saturday, October 20, 2018 at the Wildey Communications Center. This outstanding new studio helps solidify NESCom's reputation as one of the preeminent educators in the field of live sound recording.

"We worked with Lou Clark, an acoustical engineering consultant from New Hampshire, and were able to add custom-designed sound baffles and diffusers, new lighting, and a refinished floor," said **Edward Goguen**, assistant professor and academic director for the New England School of Communications. "NESCom has a talented faculty and we've been well-known for years for our world-class technology and equipment. Now we've got an impressive recording space to add to that history…and it's all for the students' benefit."

The improved sound quality in this new facility will not only enhance the quality of student projects, it will also enhance NESCom students' educational experience. "Husson University is dedicated to experiential, hands-on learning," continued Goguen. "Providing students with the opportunity to learn their craft in professional-grade facilities will help ensure they're fully prepared for the challenges they'll face after graduation."



NESCom alumni can be found in professional recording studios in Nashville, Los Angeles, New York, Maine, and beyond. Their work has earned them Emmy and Grammy awards.

One remarkable aspect to the new design was how inexpensive it was to accomplish. While $25,000 was invested in materials and supplies, significant savings were realized through the volunteer efforts of NESCom faculty members **Joshua Small** and **Brave Williams**. Without their efforts, the cost to redesign this studio could have exceeded $100,000 due to the specialized sound knowledge required from studio designers and contractors.

"Their willingness to go above and beyond to enhance the educational experience of our students made all the difference. Students at Husson University are lucky to have an instructor like Josh and an assistant professor like Brave who care so much about their educational experience," said **Dr. Marie Hansen**, dean of the New England School of Communications.

IN MEMORIAM

1930s
Leonard Cleveland Page '35
Ruth Ellen Good Stearns '35, '70
Natalie E. Smith '39

1940s
Josephine Thibeau King '41
Marguerite "Peggy" Severance '45
Roberta (Dutton) Sawyer '46
Harry L. Church '47
Jack E. Duncan '48, '96H
Lloyd Marcellous Painter '48, '96H
Christine Williams '48
William "Bill" David Braveman '49
Herman Owen Hunt '49, '95H
Jerice "Jerie" Anne Morgan '49 (EMGH)
Charlene Roberts Thibodeau '49, '96H

1950s
Ann (Ricker) Miller '50
Mary Ruth (Shannon) Conley '51
Geraldine Nancy Begin Farley '51
Geraldine Whitmore '54
Martha Eleanor Whitney Calderwood '55
Clarence Dubois '56
Cecil D. Wilson Sr. '56
Edmund "Ed" Elwood Hardy '58
Betsy J. (Kline) Switzer '58
Shirley May Genthner Russell '59

1960s
Garrel Alton Bouchey '60
Dana D. Thurlow '61
John T. Washburn '62
Jillane (Goodridge) DeWitt '63
Nathalie "Nat" H. Perry '63
Jane Eleanor Stark '63
Angela M. Hart '64
Roderick F. (Rod) Boutot '66
Douglas W. Pyatt '66

1970s
Joseph V. Macedo '71
Douglas L. Cowen '72
Daniel (Danny) E. Chandonnet '74

1980s
Nona Jane Martin Treworgy '82
Sheila Salsbury Morse McManus '83
Randy Robinson '84
Richard Boody '86

1990s
Peggy Lee Bowley '90, '92
Clara Purinton '92
Mary E. Ireland '94, '96

2000s
Renee L. Henneberry '03, '09

2010s
Timothy Lowell '10G

Attended
Albert Leroy Bean 1942
MSGT (Ret.) Carroll D. "Pa" Colford
Ronald J. Cyr 1958-1961
Tamara M. Boulier
Jill E. Cuddihy
Wayne Sargent Joy
Kenneth Harland Kimball
Harry Bernard McDowell
Wyann Jean (Spencer) Millington
Robert 'Bob' R. Modery
William 'Bill' Norwood
Jamie D. Richard 1992-1994
Michael J. Rulman

Staff
Kenneth W. Vogt

Former Trustee
Christopher Hutchins

Alumni News

Meet Keith Piehler: Husson University's New Director of Alumni Relations

If you're a graduate of Husson University, you may already appreciate the value of a director of alumni relations. After you earn your degree, alumni relations is your first point of contact for all things related to Husson. Want to attend an alumni event or get information about something that's happening on campus? The director of alumni relations can help. This person is always involved in a variety of appealing and special events for Husson alumni and friends.

In August of 2018, **Keith Piehler** joined Husson University as our new director of alumni relations and we're excited to have him join us as a member of our Advancement team.

Originally from Rhode Island, Piehler first came to Maine in 1994 to attend the University of Maine at Machias. After graduation, he worked for the statewide non-profit, Jobs for Maine's Graduates.

In addition to his degree, Piehler is a 2015 graduate of the Bangor Region Leadership Institute (BRLI). He's been actively involved in the organization and is currently the chair of their Marketing Committee and a member of their Steering Committee. He also served on their Curriculum Committee for three years.



Here's a fun fact about Keith… In his spare time he plays strategy board games with friends and family. In fact, he's got a collection of over 100 board games! Piehler loves exploring the outdoors, canoeing, and geocaching with his family. He's also memorized all 10 seasons of "Friends" (more or less). Piehler lives in Hermon with his wife **Jillian '08** and their two children.

If you're looking to attend an event or get involved in Husson University as an active member of our alumni association, reach out to Keith. His phone number is (207) 941.7875 and his email is piehlerk@husson.edu. He's always glad to hear from our graduates.

Planned Giving

For more information, contact:
Sarah Cary Robinson at (207) 941.7617 or robinsons@husson.edu

No one could have anticipated *the sudden, unexpected and senseless accident that took his life. At least, however, his legacy would continue with an athletic scholarship at Husson.*

His intent was to help students afford the college education that had helped him become successful. Having played baseball at Husson, he knew that participating on a sports team had taught him valuable lessons about leadership, teamwork and perseverance. He wanted to give back.

Wait! Stop! As an NCAA Division III school, Husson cannot issue athletic scholarships. Suddenly, a wonderful legacy was in jeopardy. The University couldn't accept a gift with such a restriction.

Luckily, this story has a happy ending. Working with the executor of the estate and the family, we established a new endowment to support the needs of the entire baseball team. We were fortunate. The story could have had a very different ending and often does. Sometimes unintended consequences ruin wonderful intentions.

If you have left a bequest to Husson or any other charities as part of your estate plan, or are considering doing so, read on to avoid some common pitfalls:

Please let us know about your bequest. Let us help you design a legacy you can be proud of and that assures your wishes will be fulfilled. We recognize that your circumstances may change in the future, but if your intent *TODAY* is to help Husson, we want to hear from you.

Leaving a specific asset might be risky. Naming a particular asset (i.e. stock in Walmart or a piece of real estate) to leave to Husson, will result in no bequest if you don't own that asset when you die. If you can't avoid specific bequests, review your plan often to make sure it still accomplishes your purposes. An alternative may be to designate percentages of your estate to be left to heirs or charities.

Check State Laws. Some states may require certain minimum provisions for specified family members. Failure to comply with state requirements can undermine your intentions and create costly complications for your estate.

Talk to your family. Family members can and do contest wills, especially if they are surprised by the content. Having an open discussion about why you are supporting Husson can avoid a future legal battle and can build your family's culture of philanthropy.

Charitable bequests cost a donor nothing during life, but they can change the lives of future Husson students, influencing future generations in ways we can only imagine.

Discuss your plans with us before you finalize your charitable bequest. Let us confirm that we can fulfill your gift intentions, and let us say 'thank you.'

Our staff has the expertise to provide confidential counsel and alternative strategies to ensure that the goals of your charitable bequest can be achieved (and our services are free).

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