U of M ranked in top 10 for online business programs for veterans

U.S. News & World Report has ranked the University of Memphis in its Top 10 in online graduate business programs for veterans. This is the first year the publication has included analysis of online degree programs for veterans in its college rankings.

The U of M is ranked ninth for online graduate business programs. Other universities on the list include Washington State, Central Michigan, Nebraska and Temple.

Researchers in recent years have included online-only programs in their annual report, but said they included the veteran-specific rankings in recognition of the challenges that population faces.

“Our duty as business educators today is to understand and serve the customized individual needs of both our students and the employers who hire them,” said Dr. Jasbir Dhaliwal, associate dean of the Fogelman College of Business & Economics. “Given our veterans’ great service to the nation, I
am proud of the exemplary work our faculty and staff are doing to serve the specific learning and support needs of this critical segment of our student community.”

Read more at http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/may13/veterans.php.

**MLK documentary wins Peabody Award with assist from U of M**

A documentary about the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has won the prestigious Peabody Award, with the aid of materials from the University of Memphis Libraries.

*MLK: The Assassination Tapes*, directed by Tom Jennings, follows the 1968 Sanitation Workers Strike in Memphis and other events leading up to King’s murder.

The film makes use of various formats of material from the Sanitation Workers Strike Collection in the Libraries’ Special Collections Department.

Under the direction of Professor David Yellin of the Department of Speech and Drama, a group of concerned citizens, including many U of M faculty and staff, began collecting documents and other materials related to the dispute between the striking sanitation workers and city officials. After King’s murder, they branched out and began soliciting outtake and broadcast footage of the events of early 1968 from TV networks and local affiliates. They also conducted oral interviews with participants and well-placed observers, including a few strikers, most of the local and AFSCME union leaders, community leaders, Memphis Mayor Henry Loeb and his assistants, and members of the Memphis City Council. About 150 individuals were interviewed. Read more at http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/may13/mlk.htm.

**Dr. Lisa Klesges named president-elect of SBM**

Dr. Lisa M. Klesges has been named president-elect of the Society of Behavioral Medicine (SBM), a multidisciplinary organization of clinician educators and scientists dedicated to promoting the study of the interactions of behavior with biology and the environment, and the application of that knowledge to improve the health and well-being of individual families and communities.

Klesges is dean and professor of epidemiology and social and behavioral sciences in the University of Memphis' School of Public Health.

She believes SBM is “uniquely poised” to influence emerging issues facing the nation’s health care system – aging, chronic illness and disease prevention – and wants SBM to re-examine behavioral medicine’s education and training programs to ensure early career professionals have the necessary skills to tackle such issues. Klesges advocates a strong SBM national presence, believing the Society should back funding and public policy positions that support behavior change research.

“Fostering interdisciplinary partnerships that emphasize translation of evidence to and from practices and populations and providing evidence-based recommendations to an expanded audience of professional and national stakeholders are integral to SBM’s future,” she said. Read more at http://www/mediaroom/releases/may13/klesges.htm.
Green Tip

There are lots of places and ways to recycle at the U of M

Get involved with recycling on the University of Memphis campus through any of the following ways. You’ll be doing the planet and the campus a huge favor!

Residence hall recycling: Residence hall recycling is here and it is here to stay. Recycling bins are conveniently located near the dumpster areas of the dorms: Mynders Hall, Smith Hall, South Hall, Rawls Hall, Living Learning Residence Complex and Richardson Towers. The Carpenter Complex also has a recycle center located on the west side of the complex between the two Architecture and Design residence areas. At each location, paper/cardboard, plastic #1, #2, #4, aluminum, glass, tin and steel can be recycled. Read more at http://www.memphis.edu/recycling/actions.php.

Recycling bins: Haven’t seen enough recycle bins around campus? More bins are on the way. The first major distribution of recycle bins took place in the fall of 2009. These bins have worked so well that the University is in the process of ordering more bins. Visit http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5Un7Tpz7HQ to watch a video about recycling on campus.

Announcements

Bob Baker appointed director of Center for Athletic Academic Services

Bob Baker has been appointed director of the Center for Athletic Academic Services (CAAS) at the University of Memphis. He has served as associate director of the CAAS since August 2011, the last five months as interim director. Baker is responsible for all activities related to the athletic academic compliance and eligibility of student-athletes, directs a staff of academic counselors and tutors, and acts as the liaison with athletic compliance, academic departments and other individuals on campus.

In 2012-13, CAAS provided academic support services to 383 student-athletes. During that time, 228 student-athletes were named to the Conference USA Commissioner’s Honor Roll for maintaining a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better, ranking the U of M first in the conference. Fifty-four students earned C-USA Commissioner’s Academic Medal honors by achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher, second in the conference. This is the eighth consecutive year the U of M has finished among the league’s top two schools in Academic Medal recipients.

Read more at http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/may13/baker.php.

Register now for Memphis Youth Soccer Camps

The Memphis Youth Soccer Camps are being held June 3-7 and June 10-14 for boys and girls in grades K-8. All camps will be conducted from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Park Avenue Athletic Facility located at Park and Getwell. Game skills will focus on player development with sessions consisting of passing, receiving, dribbling, shooting and heading. Both beginners and accomplished players are invited to attend. Coaches will work with campers in accordance with age and ability as the week progresses. There will be technical sessions along with tactical and small-sided games. University of Memphis faculty and staff will receive a 50 percent discount when they register their children. A registration form is online at http://grfx.cstv.com/photos/schools/mem/sports/m-soccer/auto_pdf /2012-13/misc_non_event/2013_Youth_Soccer_Camp_App.pdf. For more information, contact
Robert Sausaman at rsausamn@memphis.edu. There also will be a Memphis Soccer Residential/Commuter Camp July 11-14. This camp is designed to help identify college level student-athletes and for those preparing for their upcoming high school and club seasons.

Campus-Wide Elevator Modernization Project will shut down several elevators this summer
As part of the Campus-Wide Elevator Modernization Project Phase II, work is scheduled to begin on a number of campus elevators during the next few months. The following buildings have elevators scheduled to be out of service for portions of the summer: Art and Communication Building, Ball Hall, Clement Hall, Engineering Administration, Wilder Tower and the Fogelman College of Business & Economics. Anyone with concerns about access in these buildings should contact Student Disability Services at 678-2880. Faculty or staff in need of special accommodations should contact the Affirmative Action Office at 678-2713. All other questions should be directed to Pam Cash at pcash@memphis.edu.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS / More listings at events.memphis.edu

**Monday/June 3**
Art exhibit: "Hole: MFA Thesis Exhibition" by M. Foster, Jessica Lund, Christine Ruby and Alexandra Pearson (through June 28) - Art & Communication Building - Galleries made possible by Martha and Robert Fogelman - Contact Kimberly Rogers at krogers@memphis.edu

**Friday/June 7**
Delta Conference: “The Delta: Everything Southern!” Conference - Michael D. Rose Theatre - 8:15 a.m to 4:30 p.m. - Contact Jennifer Schnabel at 678-8210 - More details about the conference

Professional development: "Persevering in Times of Workplace Change" training buffet - UC, room 363 - 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - More details and upcoming events

Free HIV testing: Screenings by trained HIV counselors from Planned Parenthood of the Greater Memphis Region - UC, room 208 - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Call 678-4745 - More details about Memphis Healthy U

**Saturday/June 8**
Art exhibit: “In His Studio: Carroll Cloar,” featuring some of the artist's earliest work and his reconstructed studio, drawings, sketches and photographs (through Sept. 7) - Art Museum - More details

**Tuesday/June 11**
Professional development: "Stand Up and Speak" - UC, room 308 - 1 to 4:30 p.m. - More details and upcoming events

**Friday/June 14**
Free HIV testing: Screenings by trained HIV counselors from Planned Parenthood of the Greater Memphis Region - UC, room 338 - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Call 678-4745 - More details about Memphis Healthy U

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