DePauw is among the top 10 colleges for study abroad

DePauw continues to be one of the top colleges in the United States in terms of the percentage of students who study abroad. The Institute of International Education’s annual report, titled Open Doors 2007, lists DePauw as one of America’s top 10 small colleges for international opportunities. The Open Doors report is produced with funding from the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

DePauw also is among the Top Producers of Fulbright Awards for U.S. Students, 2007-08, to study abroad, according to the Oct. 26, 2007, edition of The Chronicle of Higher Education.

Yale Younger Poets Prize, will have a reading on April 2 in the James and Marilou Kelly Writers Series.


Judith Malina, co-founder of the Living Theatre, will deliver the keynote speech for the DePauw Undergraduate Honors Conference on March 13.

Susan Schafer Neville ’73, award-winning author of creative nonfiction and short stories, will give a reading on Feb. 20 in the James and Marilou Kelly Writers Series.

David Coxon Taylor, Peabody Award-winning producer of more than 100 documentary films and television programs, will give the Gertrude and G.D. Crain Jr. Lecture on March 5.

Samrat Upadhyay, the first Nepali-born fiction writer writing in English to be published in the West, will give a reading from his work on March 5 in the James and Marilou Kelly Writers Series.

Student news highlights

Jillian M. Irvin, a junior Media Fellow, is among 14 students from across the United States who have been awarded scholarships in the Broadcast Education Association’s 2008-09 competition. A communication major and sociology minor, Irvin will be recognized for “superior academic performance and potential to be an outstanding electronic media professional” at an awards ceremony during the BEA’s annual meeting in Las Vegas on April 17. This is the sixth time in the last 13 years that a DePauw student has won a prestigious BEA scholarship.

DePauw student musicians performed in some of China’s most famous concert halls and music conservatories as part of a 12-day concert tour during Winter Term in January. The 25-member DePauw Chamber Singers, under the direction of Gabriel Couch, performed six concerts in Beijing, Hangzhou, Nanjing, Shanghai and Wuhan. Professor of Music Eric Edberg accompanied the ensemble as a guest performer (cello).

Students in the Media Fellows Program have the opportunity to gain hands-on experience by interning at some of the top organizations around the country and world. During the spring semester, Media Fellows and their internship sites include: junior Katharine M. Dobbins, Office of Congressmen John Ellsworth, Washington, D.C.; Kaliople C. Geldis, Barack Obama campaign, various locations;

Survey: DePauw students more academically engaged

DePauw students are more academically engaged — in and out of the classroom — than undergraduates at peer institutions and the national average at all colleges and universities, according to the 2007 National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE), titled “Experiences That Matter: Enhancing Student Learning and Success.” Sponsored by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, the NSSE study is an indicator of how well students are learning and what they put into and get out of their undergraduate experience.

The survey findings provide comparative standards for determining how effectively colleges are contributing to learning. Five key areas of educational performance are measured: level of academic challenge, active and collaborative learning, experiences and supportive campus environment.

Andy Warhol photos to join DePauw’s permanent art collection

DePauw will receive approximately 100 of famed artist Andy Warhol’s Polaroids and 50 of his black-and-white prints as a gift from the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts in honor of the foundation’s 20th anniversary.
Recent visitors to campus
Brenda L. Baker ’86, artist, activist and museum curator, spoke on Oct. 29.
Angie Hicks Bowman ’95, founder and chief marketing officer of Angie’s List, gave the McDermont Center Lecture on Nov. 15.
Majora Carter, executive director of Sustainable South Bronx and recipient of a MacArthur Prize, was the keynote speaker for the Boswell Symposium Sept. 23-25.
Chinonye Chukwu ’86, filmmaker, spoke and screened some of her work at the Aztec Bowl played Dec. 14-16.
Patrick Dougherty, environmental sculptor, and DePauw volunteers used natural materials to construct a sculpture on campus as part of ArtFest 2007: Art & the Environment, Oct. 25-Nov. 4.
Tony D’Souza, winner of the 2007 GLCA New Writers Award, gave a reading in the James and Marilou Kelly Writers Series on Dec. 5.
Lisa Kuhn Fraioli ’98, senior technical adviser for microfinance for Freedom from Hunger and leader of the organization’s initiatives in Latin America, spoke on Oct. 11.
Kent Haruf, award-winning novelist, gave a reading in the James and Marilou Kelly Writers Series on Oct. 3.
bell hooks, scholar, feminist, social activist and author of more than 20 books, was in residence Sept. 17-21 as the Elizabeth P. Allen Distinguished University Professor.
Jeffrey H. Jacobs ’78, principal in Bessemer Trust, gave the McDermont Center Lecture on Nov. 1.
Robert F. Kennedy Jr., environmental activist, author and one of TIME magazine’s Heroes for the Planet, was the keynote speaker for DePauw Discourse 2007: Sustainability and Global Citizenship, Oct. 4-6. DePauw Discourse participants also included: Beth Bechdel, deputy director of the Indiana State Department of Agriculture; John Elkpen, environmental reporter for The Washington Post; Jay S. Hosler ’89, assistant professor of biology at Juniata College and author of graphic novels on biology topics; Bill McKibben, environmentalist and author of Deep Economy; Cristina Goettch Mittermeier, executive director for the International League of Conservation Photographers; Wallace J. Nichols ’89, senior researcher for Ocean Conservancy and author of the book Prologue: The Voice and Evolution of Woody Guthrie, a new environmental documentary produced and narrated by Leonardo DiCaprio.

Library support, athletics and unrestricted support.
Alumni who graduated within the last 10 years have an additional opportunity to support students and faculty through the Alumni Board Participation Challenge, a new fund that seeks gifts from alumni in the classes of 1998-2008.
You can make a gift online at www.depauw.edu/development, or you can call the Annual Fund staff at 800-446-5298.

Sports shorts
A total of 102 DePauw student-athletes from the seven fall sports were named to the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference Academic Honor Roll for maintaining at least a 3.25 grade point average for the fall semester.
Through mid-January, the women’s basketball team was ranked nationally, extending the Tigers’ streak in the D3hoops.
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