NEWS & UPDATES

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NEWS

Steven Fink Named New Associate Executive Dean in Arts and Sciences

Professor Steven Fink, English, has been appointed to the position of Associate Executive Dean for Curriculum and Instruction. Fink has previous experience with curriculum, including his recent leadership and involvement in the university's transition from quarters to semesters.

Transition to the new IdM system

The Identity and Access Management (IdM) system is scheduled to go live August 9-12. Visit the Office of the CIO's System Status page for the latest updates and information. For additional questions, please e-mail owens.3@osu.edu.

Scientists Use Bed Bugs' Own Chemistry Against Them

Doctoral Candidate Joshua Benoit, evolution, ecology and organismal biology, is the lead author of a study that finds combining bed bugs' own chemical signals with a common insect control agent makes that treatment more effective at killing the bugs. Benoit's advisor is National Academy of Sciences' member, professor David Denlinger.

Laughter May be Bad for Lungs
Charles Emery, professor of psychology, is senior author of a study showing that humor is associated with improved emotional functioning and an enhanced quality of life among patients with a chronic lung illness, but the actual act of laughing out loud can reduce lung function, at least in the short term.

**OPPORTUNITIES**

Sign up to ride, volunteer, or donate to [Pelotonia](http://hr.osu.edu/training/additionaltraining.aspx).

Are you registered for Pelotonia as a virtual rider, volunteer or actual rider? Are you SURE you're a part of Team Buckeye? As we get closer to Pelotonia 11 on August 19, 20 and 21 we want to make sure every single Buckeye is part of Team Buckeye and is counted. Please look at your Pelotonia profile page and if you are part of a peloton, the peloton name will be listed under "My Peloton" near the top of your profile page. If you don't see an affiliation, please contact Karl Koon immediately at Karl.Koon@osumc.edu or call (614) 293-9523. Every volunteer, virtual rider or actual rider should be part of a peloton and Team Buckeye wants to include you as a member.

**CURA Interdisciplinary Research Briefing on Social Media & IT Technologies**, Thursday, August 11, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., room 1080, Derby Hall. Presentations will cover a variety of topics on social media, the internet, new research projects on smartphones systems and networking, GIS, and funding opportunities for research related to social media. For more a complete list of presentations, visit, [http://geography.osu.edu](http://geography.osu.edu).

**Training Opportunity for Managers: Gateway 2 Management - Building a Culture of Coaching**

Gateway 2 Management (G2M) is a premier higher education learning and development program for managers. Building a Culture of Coaching is the first module of G2M. Participants dig into coaching via assessments, case studies, interactive exercises and group discussions. Managers commit to going through online multimedia material on their own and attending three face-to-face sessions of 2.5 hours each.

We are happy to once again provide this learning opportunity to managers in the College of Arts and Sciences and can accommodate the first 25 individuals who enroll. Please sign up at [http://hr.osu.edu/training/additionaltraining.aspx](http://hr.osu.edu/training/additionaltraining.aspx).

**Tickets Available for Ken Burns' Prohibition**

*Prohibition: An Evening With Ken Burns* will focus on his new documentary series and on civility, immigration and democracy the evening of
September 22, 7 p.m. at Mershon Auditorium. Reserve your seat now for what promises to be a very interesting evening by calling (614) 688-3777 or e-mailing events@wosu.org.

**EVENTS**

**THIS WEEK**

Wednesday, August 10- Saturday, September 3

- Internal Affairs Exhibition, OSU Urban Arts Space

[Arts and Sciences Events Page for a complete listing of events at artsandsciences.osu.edu/events.]

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