



President's WEEKLY UPDATE

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Good morning. A warm welcome to faculty and staff arriving back on campus, and to students who start moving in to residence halls on Wednesday. With a late Labor Day again this year, our opening week events are next week, with Opening Convocation on Tuesday, Sept. 7.

Here is a preview of highlights for opening week activities:

- Sept. 4–11—Auggie Days, orientation activities for incoming first-year day students to complement SOAR
- Saturday, Sept. 4—Move-in for first-year day students
- Monday, Sept. 6—Move-in for returning day students
- Tuesday, Sept. 7—10:30 a.m., Opening Convocation. First-year day students are cheered and welcomed by faculty as they enter the chapel. The convocation speaker is English professor Robert Cowgill, this year's recipient of the Distinguished Contributions to Teaching and Learning award for excellence in teaching.
- Tuesday, Sept. 7—afternoon, City Service Day projects
- Wednesday, Sept. 8—Classes begin for fall semester
- Thursday, Sept. 9—Bloomington Center AA to BA classes begin.
- Friday, Sept. 10 and Saturday, Sept. 11—WEC/Graduate Welcome Weekend
 - Friday, Sept. 10
5–6:30 p.m.—Classes begin for fall trimester. Augsburg faculty, staff, and student leaders greet new and returning Weekend College and graduate students in various locations.
 - Saturday, Sept. 11
7:30–9 a.m. and 11 a.m.–noon—Augsburg faculty, staff, and student leaders greet new and returning Weekend College and graduate students in various locations.
11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.—Opening Picnic, Christensen Center (East Commons in case of rain)

Don't forget to stop by Augsburg's State Fair booth in the Education Building when you're at the fair. It is great to greet Auggies and their families at the fair!

CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

New faculty and staff orientation

Orientation for new faculty and staff (since last September) begins tonight—for details, go to www.augsburg.edu/ctl/upcomingevents.html.

- Monday, Aug. 30, 5:30–9 p.m., for new adjuncts and part-time faculty, Oren Gateway Center, Johnson Conference Center 100
- Tuesday, Aug. 31, 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m., for new faculty and staff, Oren Gateway Center, Johnson Conference Center 100
- Wednesday, Sept. 1, 8 a.m.–3:45 p.m., for new faculty, Oren Gateway Center, Johnson Conference Center 100

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Welcome, new faculty!

Please welcome our new faculty members to Augsburg:

Michael Buck, Music
Jennifer Grant, Business Administration
David Hays, Chemistry
Melissa Hensley, Social Work
Paloma Hesemeyer, Psychology
Ann Impullitti, Biology
Tim Jones, English
Kelly Knochel, Social Work
Kevin Landmark, Physics
Catherine Micek, Mathematics
Emanuelle Wessels, Communication Studies
Trent Whitcomb, Physician Assistant Studies

Fall sports preview—Go Auggies!

The fall season is already underway for our student-athletes. I'm a big Auggie sports fan, and I hope you'll join me at home games to cheer on our teams. Go to www.augsburg.edu/athletics for information on this week's competitions:

- Men's and women's cross country—Sept. 4, home for the Augsburg/Bethel/University of Wisconsin-Superior Triangular
- Football—Sept. 4, home vs. Concordia University-Wisconsin
- Men's golf—Sept. 3-4, Culvers Edgewood College Fall Classic, Janesville, Wis.
- Women's golf—Sept. 1, at Bethel University Dual Meet; Sept. 4-5, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Blugold Invitational
- Men's soccer—Sept. 1, home vs. Luther College; Sept. 5, at Whitworth College; Sept. 6, at Pacific Lutheran University
- Women's soccer—Sept. 1, home vs. Luther College
- Volleyball—Sept. 1, at College of St. Scholastica Quadrangular; Sept. 3-4, at St. Mary's University Sugarloaf Classic

City Service Day

Following the Opening Convocation on Tuesday, Sept. 7, in truly Augsburg tradition, all first-year students in their AugSem groups with their orientation leaders, faculty, and the President's Cabinet—nearly 500 people—will fan out into the neighborhoods around campus. They'll visit 23 sites to help with various projects, including clean-up, gardening, painting, and distributing flyers.

The sites to be visited include Seward Neighborhood Group, Trinity Congregation, Brian Coyle Community Center, Dowling Environmental School, Simpson Housing, Rose Ensemble, and Campus Kitchen.

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Add your events to the Web Calendar

If you plan an event, you are responsible for submitting the information for the event to be posted on the Web Calendar. On the Inside Augsburg page, after you log in, the left navigation bar has a link, Submit Calendar Item, to enter details about your event. Also remember that if your event is changed or canceled, you must submit information for the calendar entry to be changed or removed.

KUDOS

Kudos to **Diane Pike**, Sociology, who delivered the award address for the Hans Mauksch Award for Distinguished Contributions to Undergraduate Sociology, which she received in 2009 from the American Sociological Association. The title of her address, delivered on August 16, was "Leader of the Pack? An Exploratory Study of Pedagogical Journals across Disciplines."

Kudos to **Jeanne Boeh**, Economics, who provided commentary on MPR morning news last Wednesday about housing market trends.

NOTABLE EVENTS for the week—for a complete listing of Augsburg events, go to the Calendar on Inside Augsburg at <http://inside.augsburg.edu>

August 30–September 1

New Faculty and Staff Orientation

Monday, Aug. 30—new part-time faculty

5:30–9 p.m., Johnson Conference Center, Oren Gateway Center 100

Tuesday, Aug. 31—faculty and staff

8 a.m.–5:30 p.m., Johnson Conference Center, Oren Gateway Center 100

Wednesday, Sept. 1—faculty

8 a.m.–3:45 p.m., Johnson Conference Center, Oren Gateway Center 100

August 31 and September 2

WEC/graduate orientation for new students

Wednesday, Sept. 1

Wednesday Gathering, lunch for staff and faculty

11 a.m.–1:30 p.m., East Commons

Wednesday Gathering, supper for evening custodial crew

8 p.m., Christensen Center, Augsburg Room

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September 1–6

Move-in days for day students

Wed., Sept. 1—4–7 p.m., new StepUP students, Oren Gateway Center

Thurs., Sept. 2—4–7 p.m., new transfer students, Urness and Mortensen Halls

Sat., Sept. 4—new first-year students, Urness Hall

Mon., Sept. 6—all returning students

September 4–11

Auggie Days—orientation programs and activities

Thursday, Sept. 2

Rochester program orientation for new students

Friday, Sept. 3

SOAR 4—first-year orientation for day students who missed July SOAR

Friday, Sept. 3

TRANSFERmation—orientation for day transfer students

Tuesday, Sept. 6

10:30 a.m., Opening Convocation

12:30 p.m., City Service Projects for first-year students

DAILY CHAPEL

Weekday chapel services will resume next week on September 8, and the WEC First Word Gatherings on Saturday mornings will resume on September 11.

Sports results and schedule—<http://athletics.augsburg.edu>

Have a good week!