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A LIVING LEGEND OU club football captain Bobby Saad prepares for his final season on the field. Oakland Post archives



PUMPKIN SPICE FOREVER To all you pumpkin spice latte haters, here's a little message for you. Illustration/Erin O'Neill

POLL OF THE WEEK

Who are you supporting in the Nicki Minaj and Cardi B fight?

- A Nicki all day
- B The who and what now?
- c Neither, both are trash artists
- **D** BARTIER CARDI OKUURRRR

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LAST WEEK'S POLL

Were you able to find a parking spot when you came back to campus?

A) Only because I moved in before sunrise

B) Of course not

C) Yeah, but I had to curse out a family to get it

D) I didn't even try

9 votes | 17%

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 11, 2002

The campus prepared to undergo an \$8 million, 30,000 square foot expansion to the Oakland Center.

SEPTEMBER 8. 1986

Oakland created 400 new parking spots by designating certain spots for compact cars.

SEPTEMBER 10, 1984

OU Policy changed on serving alcohol, effectively making OU a "dry" campus.

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65 percent 23 percent

of people who have an unfavorable view of Colin Kaepernick

46 percent

of people have a favorable view of Colin Kaepernick

Staff Editorial

The construction is worth it



Nicole Morsfield / The Oakland Post

ear readers,

Recently on our travels around Oakland
University, we've heard—and uttered—many
complaints about the construction. Well, we're
here to tell you: yes, it sucks, but it will be worth
it. We know what you're thinking, "What are these
crazy people talking about?" Well, have no fear
because these "crazy people" are about to drop
some knowledge.

As a school whose student body is still comprised mostly of commuters, construction is becoming a huge inconvenience for everyone, both on and off campus. It seems like pretty soon, OU's student population will be overtaken by the growing number of construction workers located around campus.

And let's not get started on that god-awful parking situation. One of Oakland's defining qualities is its plethora of opportunities for students to get in shape—if the Rec Center isn't for you, parking three miles away from your class and running will surely get you in shape quickly.

Of course, that's if you're lucky enough to even get to campus. The work being done on Walton Boulevard has made one of the prime entry points to campus virtually inaccessible, so if you feel like it might be easier to just quit college entirely and become a hermit, you're not alone.

Some people won't care about the noise and disruption that construction projects introduce to campus life, while others are hampered in being able to study outside or walk to classes. Personally, we find the inconveniences of construction to be well worth the result.

It's easy to lose hope, but there are some plus sides to all of these construction obstructions.

Amid traffic and parking struggles, students should focus on the positive: new buildings ultimately make OU a more desirable place to be.

Projects like the Oakland Center addition are part of the university's plan to attract the best students and faculty, increasing research, and improving living and learning on campus. Hillcrest Hall, the new residence hall on the south side of campus, is providing students with with new places to live, eat and take classes. The OU administration produces projects that bring the best investment to the campus.

These new additions are joining the ranks of several buildings at Oakland that have recently been added to campus. The Engineering Center has only been around since 2012, and both the Human Health Building and Oak View Hall have been around for only four years. Even though all three of these buildings have recently been constructed, it is hard to picture campus without them.

We were some of the many who were irritated at the start of the construction, saying we don't need new buildings and the old ones work just fine. The truth is, while the aesthetic of "prettier" buildings could help bring in potential students, these projects are more than just face lifts. We need most of these construction projects. They're essential for OU as a whole.

This seemingly never-ending sea of orange cones, jack hammers and walking far out of our way for class is eventually going to pay off.

Sincerely,

The Oakland Post Editors

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Looking Back

Welcome Week traditions change since its start in 1993

Patrick Sullivan Web Editor

ith all of the Golden Grizzlies either returning to campus or arriving for the first time this week, Oakland offered many different programs and parties that students could go to and have fun.

This is by no means a new direction, but the selection of programs offered during Welcome Week has changed drastically over the years.

Going back to 1985, when Welcome Week didn't exist yet, the university offered a few activities for students, including a hypnotist, a student organization fair and a picnic at Bear Lake, which was then known as Beer Lake.

Tom DeLuca, a famous hypnotist that still performs on college campuses today, came to Oakland close to 30 years ago as a part of the opening festivities. DeLuca noted that the OU audience was particularly responsive and said that he would "...like to come back if they'll have me."

True to his word, DeLuca was back

on campus hypnotizing students in 2010, a full quarter century after his initial visit.

Oakland would keep having activities during the beginning of the semester until 1993, when Oakland had its first official Welcome Week. The Welcome Week involved different activities around campus and different informational tables for students.

"The idea expanded from simply welcoming students back to coordinating activities that occur so that students know what there is to do," said Paul Franklin, the then coordinator of Campus Programs. "If they don't know what OU offers, they will get into their routines without ever realizing what's going on at OU until it's too late."

In 1994, Oakland's Welcome Week was still in its infant stages, with there only being five different events, two of which were directed at students in the residence halls. Some other programs were available to all, including an ice cream social and a "Disco Bingo" in the Oakland Center.

Subsequent Welcome Week activities became a little out there. Events like Irish Music Concerts and a celebrity appearance by Judd Winick from MTV's "Real World" were among some of the events offered to students in 1995.

Some program mainstays continued on for years during Welcome Week, such as different movie showings, the ice cream social and the annual pig roast, which started in 1994.

The pig roast, hosted by Sigma Pi, is one of the most popular Welcome Week events. Starting from an original audience of a few hundred people, the event has grown to host over 1,000 people.

"It has to be one of the largest nonalcoholic events in the country as far as I'm aware of," said George Hakim, a Sigma Pi Grand Council member back in 2001, regarding frat events.

Some other off-the-wall events that Welcome Week has offered include a race car demo in 2011 and an Elton John inspired student production titled "A Young Man's Blues" in 2010.

Some of the more iconic Welcome



Elyse Gregory / The Oakland Post Sigma Pi's Pig Roast is the most popular event.

Week activities didn't come around until more recently. Events like Meijer Mania and the Walk to Meadow Brook weren't created until eight years ago in 2010.



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Campus

OUSC to bring Arbor Initiatives Committee to campus

The committee hopes to show the community that Oakland is committed to being tree-friendly

Trevor Tyle *Life Editor*

The Oakland University Student Congress (OUSC) has announced plans for an Arbor Initiatives Committee (AIC) with the start of the fall semester.

The committee will be chaired by OUSC Campus Health Director Alex Bertges, who created the AIC to promote the protection and conservation of trees on OU's campus.

"This was a really cool way for me to engage one of my passions in a professional setting, which also makes a larger difference than just edifying myself and learning more," she said. "Now I get to actually help trees, so I think it's pretty cool. I'm really excited about it."

Rather than competing with other student organizations for funding, the AIC will have access to OUSC funds, which Bertges hopes will allow the committee to accomplish more. Originally created as an ad hoc committee, the AIC is in the process of being approved as a standing committee in the fall, thus ensuring Bertges' successors carry on her mission to improve tree health on campus.

"I think having something like the Arbor Initiatives Committee...matches very well with President [Ora Hirsch] Pescovitz's vision for OU's future, as well as working toward a better Earth," OUSC President Ryan Fox said.

One of the ways in which the AIC will satisfy President Pescovitz's goals for OU is its work toward a Tree Campus, U.S.A. certification, which "recognizes college and



Photo courtesy of Oakland University

The AIC will further the goal of making Oakland a "Tree Campus."

university campuses that effectively manage trees and engage students," according to their website.

"It's mostly just a public display of what our campus is already doing and what we can do more of—essentially, it just shows that we're tree-friendly," Bertges said. "By having students that are studying this, getting real experience in their field and also helping administrators to better understand what our campus needs, we're hoping to be able to move forward in a way that's best for not only us, but all of the other life that we're sharing this area with"

Among the committee's other goals are plans to plant more trees on campus, particularly around Walton Boulevard, where the City of Auburn Hills was granted an easement to cut down the trees currently there, which are not in good health.

"As sad as it is to see those go, we get to replace those with new trees because part of the easement is that they have to contribute to us planting more trees on campus," Bertges said.

She also hopes to utilize recreational opportunities on campus, including the high ropes course being installed on the three acres of unused land on the corner of Adams and Walton, to spark interest in the AIC's initiatives.

"You kind of can't ignore the trees when you're crawling in them," she said.

Bertges said the AIC is "really niche" and will be geared toward students with a particular expertise for tree health and environmental conservation. However, she is also in charge of the Campus Health Committee, which she described as a "broader" and more appropriate choice for students with a more general interest in on-campus conservation efforts.

But the most important thing, she said, is for students to develop a greater understanding and appreciation for the trees that make up such a large part of OU's campus.

"I think [trees are] so easy to just kind of become a piece of the background, and they're really so much more than that," Bertges said.

OUSC plans to host an event in the fall to serve as the committee's official launch, potentially by planting or dedicating a tree on campus in the AIC's honor.

Students interested in joining the AIC can email ousc@oakland.edu or stop by the OUSC office in the basement of the Oakland Center.

On-campus resources to help ace this semester

Patrick Sullivan

Web Editor

Whether you're returning for your second or third year at college, or if you're a brand new freshman, that first semester of the school year can be a little daunting. Luckily, there are many different resources that you can utilize around campus to help you succeed academically.

The Writing Center

If a student is looking for help editing a paper or needs advice on how to transfer their thoughts onto paper, The Writing Center is a great place to go. Located in Kresge Library, students can make appointments with consultants at The Writing Center to not only receive help on a paper, but also to develop their skills with grammar or learn more about different writing styles such as APA or MLA.

Academic Peer Mentors

Located in the residence halls, Academic Peer Mentors are students that

are trained to help residents with classes or subjects they may be struggling with, either through clarification of a topic or through tutoring. An Academic Peer Mentor, or APM, is assigned to each floor of the residence halls, and their goal is to help make sure students can succeed academically.

APMs also offer Tutor Nights from 8 p.m.-11 p.m. on Monday through Thursday in different residence halls. These Tutor Nights are open to everyone, so both residents and commuters can come receive help if they need it.

"If I could do one thing different my freshman year, I would learn to seek help academically when I needed it," said Chukwuebuka Unobagha, a senior academic peer mentor in Hillcrest Hall.

The Tutoring Center

Aside from the Academic Peer Mentors, another academic resource on campus is The Tutoring Center. The Tutoring Center offers free peer tutoring for a wide variety of subjects, and can help clarify course content and different



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The Student Technology Center is located on the lower level of the Oakland Center.

assignments from courses.

The Center also offers free Supplemental Instruction sessions for certain courses, which are run by trained students that have already completed the course. These sessions offer students a place to study and prepare for a course they might be struggling with.

The Student Technology Center

At The Student Technology Center, students have access to different tech items, from cameras to tablets, that are available for checkout. Alongside this check-

out program, the STC offers a technology mentoring program where students can have any technology related questions answered, as well as learn more about different software programs.

Along with the resources listed above, there are a variety of other routes you can take to help achieve academic success. Students can study in Kresge Library, go to their professor's office hours or visit their academic advisers. If students take advantage of these free academic support services around campus, the first semester will become a lot less daunting.

Oakland makes list for best student voting

Katerina Kovac

Campus Editor

A growing number of universities are using their institutional power to increase student turnout on their campuses, spurred by a desire to develop students into better citizens. Oakland University has been ranked among a group of 58 schools earning the top score in this year's "Washington Monthly" annual College Guide and Rankings in the category of "Best Colleges for Student Voting."

The first-of-its-kind list grades each school on their efforts to turn students into active citizen voters. A total of 1,488 schools were evaluated.

Young people have the power to make a difference, and an important way to achieve this is to make their voices heard at the polls on Election Day. OU is striving to become a part of young voter engagement.

"I think it's simply a testament to the engagement that happens all over campus, from opportunities offered by student organizations to activities happening in different departments, as well as the University's work in community engagement," said David Dulio, Ph.D., director of OU's Center for Civic Engagement and political science professor.

Students on campus have access to many organizations that strive to increase student voter turnout. Along with a number of partisan organizations, there are administrative bodies such as the Center for Civic Engagement that work to bolster those that emanate from other areas

on campus. Oakland University Student Congress (OUSC) has also striven for years to make sure students have their voice heard, making it one of their top priorities.

Ryan Fox, president of OUSC, believes that voters aged 18-35 often have the lowest turnout nationwide, which leads politicians to often neglect the needs of younger individuals.

"This makes it extremely important for young people to voice their opinion to politicians, and the best way to do that is by voting," Fox said. "There is a great deal of excitement in the air due to the amount of political unrest we have seen in the past few years. There have been a great deal of political and social norms that have been flipped on their head, and young people want to be part of either assisting with or preventing these changes."

Students can become involved simply by making sure their classmates both vote and are registered to do so.

"We actually saw a slight decline in turnout between 2012 and 2016, yet still earned a Bronze Seal for voter participation," Dulio said. "One interesting thing about OU students is that of those students who were registered to vote in 2016 (just over 70 percent of all students), nearly 81 percent voted. When OU students are registered, they vote. That's why voter registration efforts—like the one sponsored by the Center for Civic Engagement during GrizzFest—are important."

Only three other schools in the state of Michigan made the list. Joining OU with top marks were Michigan State University, Michigan Technological University and the University of Michigan. This ranking is another positive sign that OU students are engaged, civic-minded and take their voting rights seriously. Young voters account for half of the voting population, making them a powerful political force, and in order to directly influence issues that might affect their lives for years to come, including college tuition reform and federal job programs, students should remain involved in the political climate.

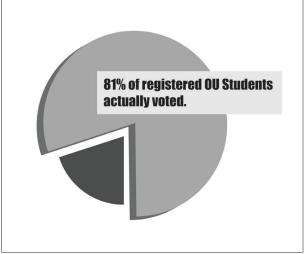


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After evaluating over 1,400 schools, Oakland University was one of the four universities chosen from the state of Michigan.

POLICE FILES

Tempers boil over

Oakland University Police Department dispatch received a call from a resident having a verbal altercation with one of her suitemates on Jan. 9, 2018. As officers were dispatched to the scene, a second call was received from the same student, who said the situation had grown worse, and her other suitemates had gotten into a physical altercation.

Upon arrival, officers found an overturned pot of noodles with water covering the floor and the caller in the exterior stairwell. The victim explained to officers that she had only verbal altercations with her angry suitemate, and when the officers further investigated the room, they found a second victim applying cold water to her leg in the shower. The second victim told officers that the angry suitemate had thrown multiple items at her, the final one being a pot full of boiling noodles.

The victim on the stairwell was asked if she wanted to speak with an officer in a squad car outside, and she decided she did want to press charges. The burn victim later said she wished to press charges as well.

Online dating takes a turn

A female student came into OUPD's police station to report a male attempting to extort money or sex from her on March 12, 2018. The victim stated that four weeks prior, she began talking to a male on the dating app Plenty of Fish. They both eventually agreed over the app to meet at a nearby hotel to have sex.

Upon arriving, the victim stated she changed her mind and no longer felt comfortable having sex, which both had talked about being an option beforehand. If either didn't wish to have sex, they agreed to go their separate ways.

Two days later, the victim received a vile series of texts threatening to expose her and make her go viral, suggesting he had information on her private life. His ultimatum was to give him back his money or to give him the promised sex. At this point, the victim decided to seek help from OUPD. The victim gave OUPD the number and Snapchat username of the blackmailer, and after a few days reported to police that she did not wish to press charges.

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All the books in the gallery were chosen by faculty who wrote descriptions on why they selected them.

Art gallery showcases literature in a new way

Jordan Jewell Staff Reporter

The Oakland University Art Gallery's newest exhibit combines art and literature in a way the gallery has never done before. In an age where physical books are considered obsolete, the exhibit showcases some of the most interesting and obscure books available to the campus community.

Director of Cinema Studies Andrea Eis is responsible for curating the collection and found inspiration in the Kresge Library. Specifically, Eis was inspired by "The Sophia Pamphlets," a series of pamphlets from the 1700–1800s arguing for women's rights.

"The pamphlets are part of the 900 books in the Hicks collection of writings by and about women from the 17th to the 19th century," Eis said.

"Encountering the Rare Book" is the gallery's first exhibit to focus solely on literature. It also displays the wide variety of books in the Kresge Library. In order to choose which books to showcase, Eis asked faculty members to explore the special collections area of the library and choose a book they found significant.

"They could choose something from their academic field, or something that unexpectedly fascinated them or something of personal significance," Eis said in regard to the selection process. "With their choices, the 21 faculty who participated broadened and enriched the range of books that are in the exhibition."

Stephen Goody, director of the OU Art Gallery and professor of art, has been curating collections for the gallery since 2010. Previous exhibits—like "Employees Only," which showcased art from OU faculty, and "Cynthia Greig: Subverting the (Un)conventional"—have showcased

paintings and photography as opposed to literature.

"I've worked with Professor Eis before and she always brings surprising new perspectives on how we can experience an exhibition," Goody said. "A book tends to be a small object, and if it's ancient and rare, people coming to the show can't hold or touch the books, but she finds a way to make the experience visceral and palpable."

Each book chosen was accompanied with a description of why the faculty member selected it. The books ranged from commentaries on social inequalities to a first edition of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," complete with illustrations.

"I enjoy working with Eis because she has a way of involving a diverse group of faculty from all sorts of different fields and making her exhibits truly interdisciplinary," Goody said.

Eis worked to make the exhibit as interactive as possible, despite viewers not being able to touch any of the books.

"I wanted to explore the physical nature of these books as much as possible," she said. "I used aesthetic approaches to expand the experience."

These aesthetic approaches included photographs of the books and their contents printed onto fabric, a film exploration of the rare book vault and iPads with interactive presentations. Eis also added a decorative ceiling-high stack of deaccessioned books.

"With a bit of irony, it represents the continuing physical power of books," Eis said when referencing the tower.

The exhibit will be held in the Oakland University Art Gallery until Oct. 7. The art gallery is located at 208 Wilson Hall and is open from September to May. All exhibits are free of charge.

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Student Apartments (8 a.m.-3 p.m.)

Tuesday

New Student Convocation Academic Open Houses Playfair

Outdoor MusicFest Meijer Mania

Wednesday

CMI Welcome BBQ RHA Open Mic Night with Ebony Stewart Greek Fair and Yard Show

Thursday

Fall Grizz Fest RHA Bonfire "The Walk" to Meadow Brook Hall

Friday

24th Annual Sigma Pi Pig Roast SPB Carnival SVP Outdoor Movie: Black Panther



Residence Hall Association hosted their meet and greet on Thursday, Sept. 6 at the Upper Fields. Guests had a chance to mingle while roasting marshmallows.



Even with construction strewn across campus, students got a glimpse of various involvement, business and volunteer opportunities outside at Grizz Fest.



The Center for Multicultural Initiatives held their Welcome BBQ at Elliott Tower on Wednesday, Sept. 5. A DJ was also present for live entertainment.



Student Program Board's Annual Carnival on Friday, Sept. 7 was filled with activities including rides, games and Sigma Pi's pig roast.



With over 300 possible organizations to join on campus, Grizz Fest aimed to get both new and returning students involved at OU.

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Professor receives grant for the benefit of African-American Girls

Laurel Kraus Managing Editor

s an associate professor in the department of psychology at Oakland University, Martha Escobar, Ph.D., has always had a passion for educating underrepresented minorities, but only began delving into the research field about six or seven years ago.

"One of the things that we would like to do is to make science truly accessible to those individuals," she said. "Finding those individuals that have the talent and the passion and the motivation, and giving them the tools to develop that talent, that passion and that motivation into something that becomes a career down the road."

Keeping with this plan, Escobar recently received a grant from the National Science Foundation enabling OU to partner with the University of Alabama and Tuskegee University, and to create a threeyear program in the rural areas of Alabama, educating African-American girls in high school in the computer sciences.

The total award of \$1,180,644, with \$192,231 going to OU, will help fund an intensive residential summer experience with projectbased learning, such as programing software and robots, which the students will continue working on throughout the school year. Recruiting of students will begin in the spring of 2019, with the program starting in summer of 2019.

"Our goal is to increase the representation of African-American girls in computer science," Escobar said. "Currently, despite the fact that all young people recognize and acknowledge that computers are relevant to daily life, they don't necessarily seek to further their knowledge in computer science or enter computer science related

According to Escobar, this can be measured by looking at how many high school junior and senior students are interested in taking the advanced placement computer science principles class. She reports these numbers are very low, especially for girls, and even more so for African-American girls.

The program should help young



Dr. Martha Escobar was rewarded with a grant to promote computer science for young girls.

girls in the computer science principles class as well as give them the confidence and background knowledge to succeed in other areas of the field.

The success of this program will be measured through how many of the girls take the computer science principles class and what their scores are, how it may affect their grades in other STEM courses and if they ambassadors to their classmates.

"We want to see whether attitudes toward computing, confidence in computers and efficiency with computers is going to change in these girls as a result of being a part of this program," Escobar

She reported that they are currently recruiting teachers for this program and are hoping to recruit one graduate student from OU as well. She noted they are always open to undergraduate students interested in helping with design of the research and data collection and analysis.

Escobar is also involved with several other current ongoing projects with young faculty, college students and middle school students as well.

"It is really rewarding to see, especially when we're dealing with some of the younger individuals, they have all of these dreams and they have all these ideas, and they finally have some of the tools and some of the support to get them realized," Escobar said.

A tale of two study abroads

Jordan Jewell Staff Reporter

Dozens of study abroad trips are offered at Oakland University. These trips can be personalized to fit a student's major, schedule and personal interests. With programs on six continents, the process of choosing a trip can feel overwhelming. Two students, Nathan Kaatz and Ghazi Ghazi, shared their experiences with The Oakland Post.

What program did you study abroad with, and what cities were you able to

Ghazi: The name of the program was "Archaeology in Israel." We resided in Israel, our dig hostel was in Neta, Israel, and we dug on our site called "Khirbet Arai." But on weekends, we got to travel to different parts of the country, so we visited Nazareth, Tiberia, En Gedi, Masada, the Dead Sea, Tel Aviv, Beer Sheva and stayed a couple days in Jerusalem.

Nathan: The program was called CIEE [Council on International Educational Exchange Arts and Sciences - University of Wollongong, located in Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia. Wollongong is a beach town located right on the Pacific. We visited Melbourne, Sydney, Gold Coast, Cairns and Canberra. During my mid-session break, I was also able to travel around Thailand.

What was the impact of education on your trip? We often see study abroad photos on Instagram and Twitter that make study abroad trips look glamorous. How often were you in classes and what type of material were you focusing

Ghazi: We would dig from 5 a.m. to 1 p.m., then we'd have a siesta 'till 3 p.m. At 3:30 p.m., we would wash all the pottery we found from the site that day, and then

at 5 p.m. we would have a lecture on different archaeological topics. Some presentations included the history of the site itself, previous sites, the Philistine people, King David etc.

Nathan: The college education system was really different when compared to Oakland. All of my classes only had three assignments—midterm exam, essay/project and final exam. There was little homework and the emphasis was on studying and independent work. I spent less time in class and opted to do more traveling.

What was your favorite part of the trip?

Ghazi: The hostel was great because we got to live with other OU students, along with the Israeli archaeologists, some students from Virginia and some from Australia. Because we weren't in a huge city, we got to hang out after dinner every day and sit around and laugh and tell funny stories.

Nathan: Sounds cliché, but definitely the people I met and friends I made. My new friends and I already have plans to meet up in October and December. Also, traveling allowed me to see things I never imagined I'd see. I was able to scuba dive in the Great Barrier Reef and be blessed by a monk in Thailand.

Would you recommend study abroad programs to future Oakland University students?

Ghazi: Yes, yes, yes. It opens a door to a whole new world once you go abroad, you get to meet amazing people that have different perspectives on life. If you were to study abroad, do it in a country that doesn't speak your main language, that way you really get to immerse yourself in the country.

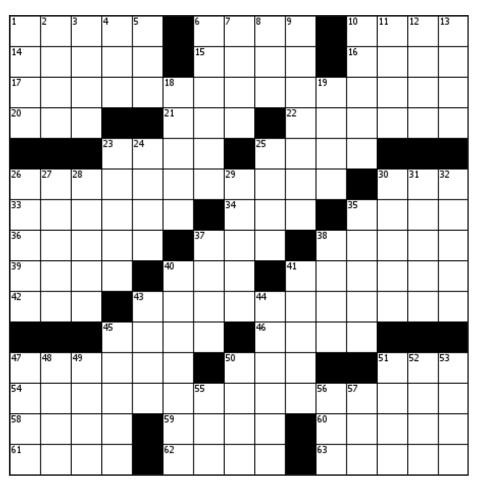
Nathan: 100 percent. It was the coolest experience of my life. I think the biggest stigma is the expense factor, but Oakland had plenty of ways to help me out.



Nathan Katz and Ghazi Ghazi participated in the Study Abroad program and after visiting to six continents, they were impacted by their travels and highly recommend the program to students.

Puzzles

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Across

- 1. "__ Mia!": Abba musical
- 6. Current letters
- 10. Out of the wind
- 14. Oneness
- 15. Three of a kind
- 16. Retained
- 17. Middleweight Hagler's nickname
- 20. Pig's place
- 21. Furthermore
- 22. Dedicated Beethoven symphony
- 23. Major penny component
- 25. Haunted house sound
- 26. 1993 Matt Dillon film
- 30. VCR button
- 33. Armor problems
- 34. Derby, for one
- 35. Hawaiian port
- 36. Brooklyn's __ Island
- 37. Brown of renown
- 38. Capitol workers
- 39. Vegas numbers
- 40. One way to stand
- 41. Play opener
- 42. "Twenty Questions"
- answer
- 43. "Captain Kangaroo" cartoon hero

- 45. Weigh station factor
- 46. Turkey or fox chaser?
- 47. Nature
- 50. Org. that offers motel
- discounts
- 51. Go out with
- 54. Member of Billy
- Corgan's former rock group
- 58. Author Vonnegut
- 59. Reed instrument
- 60. One might pass it on the
- way home
- 61. "Don't move, Fido!"
- 62. Henpecks
- 63. Teeny parasites

Down

- 1. "__ the word"
- 2. Structural sci.
- 3. Boglike
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- 5. Salt's affirmative
- 6. Right now
- 7. Gunk
- 8. Belittle, in the 'hood
- 9. Emerge from the house
- 10. City near Cleveland 11. First name in jeans
- 12. Majestic
- 13. Sicilian volcano

- 18. Comes down to earth
- 19. Inland sea
- 23. Time divisions
- 24. Really black
- 25. Advanced drama degs.
- 26. Real thing
- 27. __ Island
- 28. Flutes and clarinets
- 29. Scarlett's love
- 30. Done with
- 31. 1985 Kate Nelligan film
- 32. Trig. function
- 35. Band command
- 37. Kind of excuse
- 38. Prefix meaning "height"
- 40. Share
- 41. Pianist Claudio
- 43. Dashboard dial
- 44. Daylong marches
- 45. Irritable
- 47. Questions
- 48. Lewd material
- 49. Legal aide, briefly
- 50. Eagerly excited
- 51. Funny sketch
- 52. Emerald Isle 53. Comes to a close
- 55. Gp. with Jazz and Magic
- 56. "Rhoda" production co.
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Perspectives

Kavanaugh faces new resistance on fourth day

As hearings continue, concerns run high about Roe v. Wade and other Supreme Court decisions

> Ben Hume Staff Reporter

rett Kavanaugh has had a difficult time in his multitude of hearings over the past few days. Women afraid of losing reproductive rights have massed in force, and Democratic senators were prepared to rake him over the coals. Going into the hearings, many already had concerns about Kavanaugh's interpretation of multiple Supreme Court decisions, such as Roe v. Wade and gay marriage. As it turns out, three full days of questioning did not do much to get rid of these concerns.

Kavanaugh was quickly questioned about his interpretation of Roe v. Wade after old documents surfaced that suggested he did not believe that Roe v. Wade was a settled case. If he were still under this belief, there would then be an opportunity for abortion rights to reappear on the Supreme Court level, this time with a Republican anti-choice majority. When questioned about it, Kavanaugh said Roe v. Wade was "entitled to respect," and he did confirm in person to some senators that he believed the case was settled law, but the time it took for him to make this simple response makes me uncomfortable.

I am sure that many will say worried women are overreacting and that there is far too much precedent for a case settled in 1973 to be overturned. I am not so sure that their fears are unfounded. Kavanaugh referred to birth control as "abortion-inducing drugs," and for anyone familiar with how rhetoric in politics is used manipulatively, this wording is obscene. It takes a drug with a multitude of purposes for women that do not just include birth control and makes it one-dimensional, and it shows that a Supreme Court nominee believes that preventative measures are equivalent to an abortion, which is false.

I know an ally of the pro-life community is good news for many. If it is not already obvious, I am not one of these people. But a member of the highest court in the land should not be using such manipulative language when talking about something he ob-



viously does not understand. If you want your stance to be anti-abortion, fine. That's a legitimate stance, even if it is one I do not agree with. But equating birth control and abortion is not the way to take that stance, and this is why people should still be concerned about the safety of Roe v. Wade.

That was only the first major concern going into the senate hearings. The second was the safety of Obergefell v. Hodges, the case that legalized gay marriage. California senator Kamala Harris questioned Kavanaugh about his stance on the issue, and he quickly declined to comment on if the case was correctly decided. With the final vote coming soon, it seems as though this answer was enough for him to keep a majority of senators on his side.

Only two Republican senators are on the fence, and after the hearings it is likely that Maine centrist Susan Collins was satisfied by Kavanaugh's answer that Roe v. Wade is settled. But she and Alaska senator Lisa Murkowski are about the only votes Kavanaugh needs to be confirmed. Both of them voting no might save the vote, but as the deadline inches closer, it's looking worse and worse for women's rights.



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Plum Market offers fresh, healthy options for students

The new area makes the renovated Oakland Center even better

Kaley Banrhill Staff Intern

as the Oakland Center expands, more and more options are being added to the food court. While there were previously limited choices that made eating healthy a challenge, Plum Market offers multiple organic options for people looking to eat healthier.

With its sleek, open kitchen and helpful staff, Plum Market looks and feels upscale, yet is inviting. There are multiple seating areas conveniently located by Plum Market now, making it a great place to grab lunch and meet up with friends.

The main attraction of Plum Market is the rotating selection of foods, making it a place students can eat at often without getting bored of the selection. In a glass case, there are multiple salads and cold foods. They have classics such as pasta salads, as well as more unique ones, such as their artichoke and egg salad.

When I tried Plum Market this week, I ordered the eggless egg salad and quinoa salad. The eggless egg salad was made out of tofu, with all of the other traditional egg salad ingredients, such as mustard and relish. It tasted just like the classic and is a great option for ve-

gans, or anyone looking to try something new and delicious. The quinoa salad was also a great choice and included fresh veggies like radishes and bell peppers.

Another unique aspect of Plum Market is their wall to wall cooler of drinks and more food options. They offer different dips and snacks, such as pimento cheese dip with pretzels, as well as hummus.

They also offer international cuisine, with choices such as vegan samosas with mango chutney and mediterranean grape leaves. For someone looking for something more filling, Plum Market also has premade sandwiches.

As students wait in line, they can browse the racks of snacks. There is a huge selection of granola bars with options such as Kind bars. They also have other snacks to take on the go, including popcorn.

The range of drinks that are available make it a great option for students looking for pick me ups before classes, like cold brews or natural energy drinks. There are also plenty of choices for more unique drinks, including kombucha, which can be harder to find on campus.

While the food selection is already



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Plum Market is a restaurant that offers a variety of organic and healthy food and beverage options.

great, the drink selection has so many diverse options. The drinks at Plum Market are an excellent alternative to the less healthy options around campus and are worth the walk to the Oakland Center

Overall, I give Plum Market four and half out of five stars. Since it can be a struggle for vegetarians and vegans to find food on campus, the addition of Plum Market is a huge bonus. It is a great choice for anyone looking to get fresh, healthy alternatives to other options on campus.

While it can be a bit pricey depending on what you order, the quality of the food and drinks sold there make it worth the cost. Plum Market's cuisine is a great way to mix up meals and avoid fast food

Rating: 4.5/5 stars

New York Fashion Week Spring Summer 19: The shows, trends, and future of fashion



Katarina Kovac Campus Editor

New York Fashion Week is one of the best weeks of the year — as much as that pains the journalists to say. Like all things, the fashion world goes big on prints, statements and shows. This season was no different.

Ralph Lauren celebrated 50 years in the fashion business with a dazzling runway show in Central Park, in which Oprah, Hillary Clinton, Steven Spielberg, Kanye West, Blake Lively, Jessica Chastain, Pierce Brosnan, Calvin Klein, Diane von Furstenberg and Donna Karan were also in attendance. No big deal.

There were sweaters for ski weekends, velvet slip dresses, lace gowns, varsity knits, camel coats and patchwork—more often than not all worn together. It was a major moment for American fashion and a designer who helped shape it.

Tory Burch displayed looks that featured long white dresses, tunics, colorful safari sets, a beaded cocktail number and chiffon gowns—a checklist for every Tory girl hitting the road this spring.

Tom Ford's Spring 2019 collection was filled with a mashup of retro glamour and elevated basics. From croc-embossed '80s power suits to '70s head scarves and silk tuxedo jackets, Ford put his own updated twist on an array of throwback trends and signaled their comeback.

"Given the harshness of the

world, a softer color palette seemed right to me this season," Tom Ford said in a release. "I feel that fashion has somehow lost its way, and it is easy for all of us to be swept up in trends...I did not want to make clothes that were ironic, or clever, but simply clothes that were beautiful."

Chromat, a label backed by designer Becca McCharen-Tran, is a leader in making fashion a more inclusive and diverse industry. Their cast of models with different bodies, skin tones, abilities, identities was thrilling this season.

A pink and red two-piece, a white crop top with "sample size" written across it (which was clearly not the industry's version of sample size), and Mama Cax in a scooping black cover up with a neon green top, as well as a runway filled with transgender, nonbinary, curvy, Black, Asian, White, Hispanic, differently abled, short and tall models gave the industry a lesson on what an inclusive runway actually looks like.

Designer Carly Cushnie looked to her Caribbean roots as an inspiration for the new season. On the runway there were coral reds, neon yellows, seafoam greens and nautical blues paired with woven bags.

Nicola Glass's first collection for Kate Spade was a sight to see, as fresh color combinations like pale lilac and maroon with navy took the runway. Jeremy Scott's runway show, in its typical grandiose fashion, featured high-heeled fishing suits, as well as a favorite look of the night which was the one Jeremy Scott himself wore when he took his victory lap on the catwalk: a plain white tank with "Tell Your Senator No On Kavanaugh 212-902-7129." Jeremy Scott's clothes always have something to say, even if it is very literal.

As with every Fashion Week season, our eyes are as much on the street style as they are the runway. Think layered slip dresses, a hint of plaid and an ever-present dose of style whimsy in every look. Spring can't come sooner.

Sports

Men's soccer has first loss of the year, 4-1 to UIC

Michael Pearce

Sports Editor

three-game win streak was on the line for the Golden Grizzlies as they opened Horizon League play on Saturday, Sept. 8. The team faced off against the University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC) Flames on their home turf and was unable to continue their winning streak, losing 4-1.

The Flames were the preseason No. 1 team in the Horizon League and came into this game with a 3-1 record. With their only loss coming on the road at Drake University, UIC was the No. 75 team in the nation according to topdrawersoccer. com. This put them as the highest ranked Horizon League team.

"It's important we keep things in perspective," Head Coach Eric Pogue said. "We've played seven total games and are 5-1-1 against a top schedule. UIC is a very good team and we competed toe-to-toe with them for stretches, but we dug ourselves an early hole and were chasing the game, which you can't do against a top team."

This loss put Oakland's record at 3-1-1, making this their first loss of the season.

"This loss humbled us a little bit because we were riding a wave," senior Jacob Moore said. "It can be good early in the season, you can rethink your approach for the rest of the season. It was a good test for us, it will be good to see how we can

UIC came out of the gates hot and put up a quick goal in the first minute of play. Jesus Perez set Oscar Gonzales up for the header, and with only one minute and one second gone, UIC had a 1-0 lead.

The fast pace of play continued for the opponent, as Max Todd placed a ball in the corner to put UIC up 2-0 at the sixminute mark. The speed of UIC's forwards was the difference in the early game, as they were very good at dribbling through the defense and outrunning everyone.

Oakland did answer back, as junior Correntin Diverres juggled a ball right in front of the goal before striking it beautifully into the net. After ten minutes of play, three total goals had been scored. Oakland trailed by just one goal with 80 minutes left.

"You never want to spot a team two early goals, especially one the quality of UIC," Pogue said. "Those two early goals rattled us, and we just needed to regroup, relax and start playing the way we were capable of. We responded with a goal ourselves within four minutes to make it 2-1, so I was happy with our teams response

UIC would keep up the quick pace of play, and it was a back and forth game for the rest of the first half. Both teams stood strong on the defensive end, but UIC's senior forward Markelle Sadler stretched the lead back out to two at the 40-minute mark. Oakland was still struggling to keep



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The Golden Grizzlies lose their three-game win streak in a match against the UIC Flames.

up with UIC and was getting consistently beat on defense.

"They play a different style with four central midfielders, they can drive and attack," Moore said. "We haven't been able to adjust to that. It's less about the forwards, but their midfielders who spread the field for the rest of their team."

The preseason favorites kept the pressure on in the second half and held strong on defense. Oakland had multiple goal opportunities, but was stifled by the defense or missed open shots. This allowed UIC to keep up offensive pressure and add a fourth goal to their total.

After 40 minutes of back and forth play, Sadler scored once again on a breakaway for UIC, putting their lead at 4-1, effectively closing the door on a comeback opportunity.

"We have a saying, 'find a way," Moore said. "That's our mantra. It is important for us to find a way to bounce back, putting a few wins together for our conference games. It's important to find a way to bounce back in the conference, the games that matter."

Oakland's next Horizon League match will be on Saturday, Sept. 15 at 1 p.m. in Detroit versus the University of Detroit Mercy Titans. Their next home game will be on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m. against Dayton.

"We're confident going into any game, even coming off the loss," Moore said. "This just gives us time to readjust and focus on getting three points against UDM."

Club football Captain Bobby Saad prepares for senior season

Zac Grasl Staff Reporter

 ${\bf E}^{
m ver}$ since he could remember, Bobby Saad had a love for the game of football. His dad started taking him to Detroit Lions games when he was little, and when he was finally old enough, his parents allowed him to start playing football in the third grade.

Saad is now a senior with two national championship victories, an undefeated season, the football club's all-time leader in tackles, tackles for loss, a two-time All-American in the National Club Football Association (NCFA), the 2016 NCFA defensive player of the year and holds the record for most tackles in a single game, 15. Saad is now ready to add more accomplishments to his legacy at Oakland University.

He has been the football club's team leader for the last two seasons but doesn't feel extra pressure to lead his teammates and set an example for them.

"The thought of just experiencing a moment like that with some of the best people I will ever meet still brings a smile to my face."

Bobby Saad Team Leader of Oakland University's Football Club

"Being a leader of a team always started with learning how to become a follower first, to 'buy-in," Saad said. "Today, the way I try to lead is to be there for the young players on the team and express that I am there for them whether it be to vent and be an

older brother of sorts to all of them. The pressure is easily alleviated by having such a great group of guys. They make it easy."

Head Coach Rick Fracassa knew taking the job wouldn't be as difficult as it normally would be because of Saad.

"I have been watching Bobby play ball since he was a little guy, and I have attended many OU football games over the last four years," Fracassa said. "I knew what kind of leader I was getting out of Bobby, and that was a key reason why I took this job."

Senior Brett Jacobs, who is not only Saad's teammate, but also one of his best friends, has played with Saad for four seasons now. Jacobs had high praise for his long-time teammate and friend.

"In the four years I have known Bobby, he can only be described in one word, legend," Jacobs said. "He has an aura around him. Heck as a freshman in 2014, he was named a team captain, and he has withstood

the test of time."

While Saad has multiple favorite memories throughout his football career, from Pop Warner all the way through college, he said nothing comes close to his two national championship victories with Oakland in 2014 and 2016.

"It is a great feeling to be a part of a process with a great group of guys and know that all of the sprints, long hot practices and weight room reps paid off in the best way possible," Saad said. "The thought of just experiencing a moment like that with some of the best people I will ever meet still brings a smile to my face."

With so many accomplishments during Saad's career at Oakland, there is not much left for Saad to accomplish, but he knows he isn't done yet.

"I want to bring that national championship trophy back to Rochester," Saad said. "I can't think of a better way to end my career than winning another national title."



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EDITORIAL

Nike and Kaepernick spark outrage and praise in new ad

Michael Pearce Sports Editor

ike made national and world headlines when they announced the new face of their ad campaign, Colin Kaepernick. Kaepernick was pictured, and the text on the photo read "Believe in something. Even if it means sacrificing everything."

After this campaign was released, tremendous uproar followed and the next day Nike's shares fell 3 percent in value according to CNBC.

Many upset individuals have taken to twitter to voice their concern with this ad, even cutting the Nike swoosh logo off of their clothing that they own. While this may get significant internet attention, it won't do anything to stop Nike.

If you are upset with Nike and their choice in advertising, I get that. An appropriate solution to this anger is to take all of your Nike clothes and donate them to some homeless shelters or veteran organizations to help benefit homeless war veterans. Give them your unwanted socks, shoes, pants and shirts

that are Nike brand and help those veterans that you claim to care so deeply about.

It is still unbelievable to me that some people can call Kaepernick anything other than what he is, an american hero.

Colin Kaepernick led the San Francisco 49ers deep into the playoffs and even to a Super Bowl one year as a starting quarterback. Despite struggling in the NFL in 2015 and 2016, he still would have been a hot commodity on the free agent market had he not knelt for the anthem. He laid his entire career on the line in order to stand up for what he believed in and to try and fight against racial injustice and police brutality.

He chose the anthem because he didn't feel he could stand and salute a country that treated (and still does treat) African-American citizens so poorly. His protest was never about the anthem itself, or the veterans that fought for this

Detractors will fixate on the fact that veterans died for our freedom and that Kaepernick should respect them. I would like to direct anyone who thinks this way to twitter.com, and the hashtag #VeteransforKaepernick. This hashtag shows there are tens of thousands of veterans who support this protest during the anthem. Veterans who have honorably served this nation to fight for freedom.

Veterans lay their lives on the line for our ability to speak out against what we feel is unjust. This includes sitting or kneeling for the national anthem. Kaepernick was exercising his free speech rights, and if you think that is a problem, you are the problem.

I ask anyone reading this who disagrees with Nike, to look in the mirror. Look into the mirror and really ask why you are angry about Kaepernick being praised. Is it because of veterans? Or is it because you don't agree with what he has to say, and want to discount the reality of how minorities are treated in the U.S..

If it's the latter, I suggest you take the scissors out of your hands, put your Nike socks back in your sock drawer and open your eyes to the state of race relations and police brutality in this country.

Students react to Nike's "Dream Crazy" campaign

Clare Sabelhaus Staff Intern

Currently with over 23 million views on You-Tube, Nike released their most recent advertisement featuring Colin Kaepernick on Sept. 5, 2018. With stars like Kaepernick, Serena Williams and Lebron James in the video, a lot of attention was directed at Nike after the release. Social media sites were filled with both negative and positive reactions and opinions on the advertisement.

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"He was just expressing his right to free speech, so I think for Nike to hire him on to be the face of their campaign is just adding to that and emphasizing it."

Julia Alexander Student Activities Funding Board Co-chair

"Usually I wouldn't think that big brands would do that," Oakland University senior Victoria Matmanivong said.

Negative reactions to the advertisement sparked some people to burn their Nike products because they disagreed with including Kaepernick in the video due to his stance during his time as an NFL player.

"I support it and it makes me want to buy more Nike," OU sophomore Joise Brueckner said. "People who are throwing away their shoes and stuff like that, I just think it's dumb."

After the campaign had gone public, many wondered what would happen to Nike's sales in the week to come.

"From a business stand-

point, I think it was a different approach that was outside the box and their comfort zone" OU senior Nicholas Wygocki said.

Despite anger, Nike's sales increased 31 percent in the following week according to Edison Trends.

"Economically speaking, I think it was a good move for Nike," said Julio Lee, a SAFB student employee. "I think there is a good chunk of that population that support it, though we are not seeing a lot of that on social media it seems."

Since its release, many satirical spin offs have been created of the photo advertisement along with praise and backlash geared toward Nike. President Donald Trump responded to the campaign saying that Nike sends a "terrible message" by including Kaepernick and that "there's no reason" for him to be featured in the advertisement.

Destinee Rule, OU student and Diversity and Inclusion Director at Oakland University Student Council (OUSC), believes that people are taking the advertisement too literally.

"The point of it was to highlight an issue that we are facing in America, and when you have a platform like Nike does, you should utilize that to be transparent, vocal and passionate," Rule said. "I think the reasoning behind the ad was for marketing, but it was supposed to be more powerful than that."

Rule recognized that Nike was trying to reach a certain population of people who support those athletes and thought "it was a good PR move."

Considering Kaepernick's stance in 2016, OU senior Hannah Weaver said "I think it's okay for him to take a stand, so I think it's okay for businesses to take a stand too"

Satire

An open letter to pumpkin spice latte haters

The tweets and the videos on Instagram and Snapchat are getting a little out of hand

Pumpkin Spice Latte Lover Satirist

ear Pumpkin Spice Latte Haters,

Hello from your favorite basic college girl! First off, I would like to start off by saying happy almost autumn. Fall is only a couple weeks away, and the one thing you despise the most is trending again, Pumpkin spice lattes from Starbucks.

What I've recently discovered on social media are rants about the famous drink from you guys. All I kept seeing were tweets, Facebook posts, Snapchat and Instagram stories from all of you saying things like "OMG PSL'S ARE NOT EVEN THAT GOOD," or "I DON'T KNOW WHY EVERYONE IS GETTING HYPED OVER PSL'S. IT'S NOT EVEN SEPTEMBER!" Ever since news came out that Starbucks released the drink on Aug. 28, you guys decided to let all the anger built up inside of you out, and for what? An overpriced yet delicious beverage?

It doesn't stop there either. If I had to count the amount of times someone gave me a dirty look whenever I go up to the barista and order the pumpkin flavored drink, it would probably take hours to do so. If I had a dollar for every time someone gave the famous response, "You're so basic," after I tell them I'm planning on grabbing a PSL that day, I would never have to worry about my tuition ever again. Can a girl enjoy her coffee without any judgement!?

While I 100 percent stand behind your right to free speech and expression, I would also like to use those same rights to ask you these questions: What is it about PSL's coming out early and the actual drink itself bother you so much? Why do you have to be a killjoy every time you see another peer get excited over the drink? Is it the warm weather we are currently having (which I'll admit is getting under my skin too because my PSL's taste so much better in cool weather), the day Starbucks debuted the latte or the never ending pictures and stories

we see on our social media accounts of girls taking selfies and videos with the hashtag #FirstPSLoftheSeason?

You are probably thinking, "Wow, this girl is extremely basic due to her obsession with PSL's."

That is partially correct, but not entirely. The reason why I am reaching out to you today is to not only stop you guys from ruining the fun for others, but to help you not ruin your own.

The more you hate on PSL's, the less you are enjoying fall. Fall is one of the best seasons of the year and I want you to enjoy every minute of it before we face the long and cold winter ahead of us. Spend less time hating on PSL's and spend more time going to cider mills and college football tailgates, figuring out what you want to wear for Halloween and watching Hocus Pocus over and over again.

Look, I'm not here trying to tell you what to do, but you don't want to spoil it for others especially yourself. I suggest you let us basic people sit back, re-

lax and enjoy our PSL's in peace. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Your Favorite Basic College Girl filled with sugar, (pumpkin) spice and everything nice



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Social media rants will not stop PSL lovers.

FALL 2018 PAYMENT INFORMATION

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY,

The fall semester is here — start it off right and avoid any last-minute surprises by being proactive with all your financial business.

Consider all your financial options, including an OU payment plan, which helps spread tuition and costs into smaller, more manageable installments.

Reminder: the fall payment due date was August 15. If you haven't paid your account balance in full, please contact us immediately.

You can avoid class cancellation (drop) by paying your student account in full by enrolling in a payment plan and paying your installments on time, obtaining financial aid, utilizing external sources, and/or using your own funds.

We are here to help. If you need help understanding payment options or how to pay for your education, please contact Student Financial Services at (248) 370-2550 or go to North Foundation Hall, Room 120, as soon as possible.

Payment

LEARN how to avoid cancellation (drop) at **oakland.edu/financialservices**, then Payments & Refunds, then Payments & Cancellation