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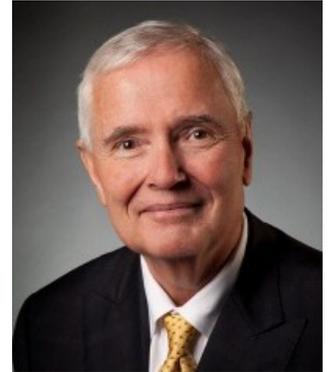
BECOMING THE INNOVATION UNIVERSITY

Significant changes have taken place over the summer months. Two of the most obvious are the completion of Shocker Hall, WSU's new housing and dining complex and the renovation of the Rhatigan Student Center.

The university's next major change is the development of the Innovation Campus. Please plan to attend the presentation that will share its details —**Transformation: Becoming the Innovation University**. It will take place from 2 – 3 p.m., Friday., Aug. 15, in the beautiful Shirley Beggs Ballroom of the RSC. The program will be followed by food and conversation.

Several corporations have agreed to become a part of the Innovation Campus and others have expressed keen interest. It will be quite significant for our students to have the opportunity to intern and otherwise associate with these excellent companies.

Because of building renovations and organizational changes, you may find people and departments in different locations than last spring. It's a good idea to check your destination before setting out on a walk across campus. As the new academic year approaches my executive team and I wish all of you great success.



John W. Bardo

MILITARY AND VETERAN STUDENT CENTER



The center, established in Nov., 2013, is for students with military experience, both past and present, and their dependents. They are welcome to visit the center in Lindquist Hall, room 107 to ask questions, find resources or to use the computers between classes. Staff members are ready to answer questions and connect students with resources.

The purpose of the Student Veterans Organization (SVO) is to provide opportunities to members of the SVO in the following areas:

1. Opportunities for socialization and campus involvement that enhance personal wellbeing and the academic experience.

2. Assist SVO members with personal needs that may hinder their success in obtaining a higher education degree.

3. Enhance self-worth and the welfare of others through opportunities of philanthropy within Wichita State University and the community.

4. Advocate for SVO members at the University, Local, State and Federal Levels when required by the Executive Board and or membership of the organization.

For the SVO activities calendar visit the website at [Veteran Student Organization](#) or stop by the Military Student and Veterans Center in Lindquist Hall room 107, or call (316) 978-3027.



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HONORS COLLEGE

The WSU Honors College is beginning the academic year in its new home in Shocker Hall. The 389 students enrolled include 167 freshmen and 224 students continuing from the Lindquist Honors Program, now a part of the Honors College. Dr. Kimberly Engbar, who was the director of the program, is the first dean of the college.



Kimberly Engbar, PhD received her BA in English from Kenyon College and her Ph.D. in English with a specialization in

women's and gender studies at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York.

The early success of the Honors College is fulfilling the desire of WSU faculty members, staff and administrators to attract high-achieving students and provide them with challenging classes and research opportunities. Creating a supportive environment in which the students can excel is paramount. All the components are now in place for that to happen.

A priority of the College is to prepare students for innovative, creative, and professional work in a complex and global society. Its vision is to establish a culture that stimulates intellectual curiosity, welcomes diversity, promotes responsibility, and inspires leadership that can transform thought processes and actions that bring the development of ideas to fruition.

The newly established college is a boost to the programs available to students

who wish to be academically stimulated and it provides a challenging curriculum to the program participants who are highly motivated.

The advantages are many for Honors College students:

- priority enrollment
- experienced-based learning
- Honors living-learning community in Shocker Hall
- preparation for top graduate schools
- preparation for national scholarships
- preparation for leadership roles in careers

Faculty will also benefit from the program through their interactions with students who consistently provide the opportunity for intelligent, in-depth discussion about current subjects, events, research and developments around the world. They will have the opportunity to facilitate undergraduate research across campus and experiment with course design and content as well.

Requirements for admission to WSU's Honors College are:

1 For students entering WSU with fewer than 24 college credit hours, a minimum high school GPA of 3.7 or a composite ACT score of 27 or better is required.

1 For students with 24 or more hours of college credit, a minimum college GPA of 3.5 is required.

The Honors College office is located in Shocker Hall. Contact Information: Campus Box 102, 316-978-3375, email: honors@wichita.edu, or visit them on the web at WSU Honors College.

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