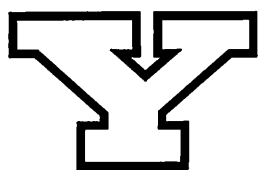




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**BACKGROUND MATERIALS  
Wednesday, September 6, 2017**

- 1. Welcome Week Schedule** **Tab 1**  
Welcome Week is designed to enhance students' connection to and engagement in University life. Student engagement is one of the most important drivers of student success. A schedule of this year's events is attached.
- 2. Summer Bridge Program Update** **Tab 2**  
The Summer Bridge program continues to be one of the most successful student success interventions sponsored by the University.
- 3. Current Accreditation Activity** **Tab 3**  
The report on accreditation activity shows recent accreditations and upcoming site visits and documents submitted.
- 4. Academic Programs Update** **Tab 4**  
The report outlines new program development.



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Events

## Events

# WELCOME WEEK 2017: Youngstown Famous

Saturday, August 19, 2017 - Saturday, September 2,  
2017

**Saturday, August 19**

### **Lunch Hours at Christman Dining Commons**

**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

***Location: Christman Dining Commons***

***Sponsored By: YSU Dining by Chartwells***

All-You-Care-to-Eat Dining facility near Cafaro and Lyden. Open to the public. For more information, contact Emily Davis at [emily.davis2@compass-usa.com](mailto:emily.davis2@compass-usa.com).

### **Immaculate Conception Parish Festival**

**10:00 AM - 11:00 PM**

***Location: 225 Sycamore St. Ravenna, OH***

This inaugural festival will feature a cruise-in, live music, food, and various fun activities. The headliner for the evening is Phil Dirt & the Dozers. For more information, visit [icparishfestival.com](http://icparishfestival.com).

### **Youngstown Flea**

**11:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

***Location: 110 Freeman Alley, Youngstown, OH 44503 (Next to Covelli Centre)***

The Youngstown Flea hosts a "Market For Makers" once per month right in the heart of the Downtown Youngstown area. This market is dedicated to local/regional vendors of hand-made, antique, and repurposed wood/metal/furniture, vintage clothing, and collectibles. The Flea hand selects the best makers in town who have a true passion for creating. For more information, visit [youngstownflea.com](http://youngstownflea.com).

**Beginning in Honors Weekend (Residential Honors Student Portion)****4:00 PM - 8:00 PM****Location: Cafaro House, Courtyard Apartments, Fok Hall****Sponsored By: Honors College**

Incoming Honors freshmen living on campus will team up for Building Bingo at their residence halls before coming together at Fok Hall for a scavenger hunt. For more information, email [honors@ysu.edu](mailto:honors@ysu.edu).

**Dinner Hours at Christman Dining Commons****4:00 PM - 8:00 PM****Location: Christman Dining Commons****Sponsored By: YSU Dining by Chartwells**

All-You-Care-to-Eat Dining facility near Cafaro and Lyden. Open to the public. For more information, contact Emily Davis at [emily.davis2@compass-usa.com](mailto:emily.davis2@compass-usa.com).

**Waddle to Yo-Town****5:00 pm - 8:00 pm****Location: Cafaro House & Lyden House, Green Space (Rain Location: Christman Dining Commons)****Sponsored By: Housing & Residence Life**

Move-in weekend is a great time to meet new people. Save your Netflix binge for another night. Join Housing & Residence Life on the Greens outside Lyden House and Cafaro House for games, giveaways, music and more. Take a chance, meet new friends, and explore the fabulous YSU campus. For more info, contact Ahjah Johnson at [amjohnson13@ysu.edu](mailto:amjohnson13@ysu.edu).

**Sunday, August 20****Lunch Hours at Christman Dining Commons****10:00 AM - 2:00 PM****Location: Christman Dining Commons****Sponsored By: YSU Dining by Chartwells**

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**Beginning in Honors Weekend (All Honors Students)****12:15 PM - 4:30 PM****Location: Beeghly Hall, McKay Auditorium****Sponsored By: Honors College**

All incoming Honors freshmen will come together for icebreakers and their official welcome into the Honors College. For more information, email [honors@ysu.edu](mailto:honors@ysu.edu).

**Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center Open House****2:00 PM - 6:00 PM****Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center**

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation***

Check out our facility and programs. Come see what we offer that promotes fitness, wellness and developing or maintaining healthy lifestyle choices during the college experience. Stop by for a tour of Andrews and receive a Campus Rec prize while supplies last! Valid YSU ID is required to enter the facility and athletic attire must be worn in activity spaces. Check out <http://www.ysu.edu/reccenter/> [1] for a full list of facility policies and procedures. For more info, contact Brandy Schumaker at [brfagnano@ysu.edu](mailto:brfagnano@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-3369.

**Dinner Hours at Christman Dining Commons****4:00 PM - 6:30 PM*****Location: Christman Dining Commons******Sponsored By: YSU Dining by Chartwells***

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**Waddle to Yo-Town Pt. 2****7:00 pm - 11:30 pm*****Location: Cafaro House & Lyden, Green Space (Rain Location: Christman Dining Commons)******Sponsored By: Housing & Residence Life***

All of that heavy lifting and organizing can be very hard work! Take a break with Housing & Residence Life to enjoy room décor crafting (7 PM), delicious Sundaes for your Sunday (9 PM) while enjoying the first weekly dive-in movie (9 PM) featuring Guardians of the Galaxy! For more info, contact Ahjah Johnson at [amjohnson13@ysu.edu](mailto:amjohnson13@ysu.edu).

**Late Night at Christman****9:00 PM - 12:00 AM*****Location: Christman Dining Commons******Sponsored By: YSU Dining by Chartwells***

Are you staying up late and need some food? Don't go hungry! We've got you covered! Every night, Sunday - Thursday, head over to Christman for our Late Night menu selection. Pick an entree, pick a side, and an unlimited fountain drink! Open to the public. Use a Meal Swipe, Pete's Points, Flex Dollars, Cash or Credit. For more information, contact Emily Davis at [emily.davis2@compass-usa.com](mailto:emily.davis2@compass-usa.com).

**Monday, August 21****IGNITE****1:00 PM - 9:30 PM*****Location: WATTS******Sponsored By: First Year Student Services & Student Activities***

First year students will spend the day getting to know faculty, staff, and each other in preparation for the year ahead. Come IGNITE your knowledge of campus and your YSU spirit! For more information, contact First Year Student Services at (330) 941-2131.

**Jordan DePaul & Leo D'Angelo**

**5:15 PM – 8:30 PM**

**Location: Kilcawley Center Fountain (Rain Location: Chestnut Room)**

**Sponsored By: Penguin Productions**

Don't miss these performances by #YoungstownFamous musicians! For more information, call Student Activities at 330-941-3575.

**Penguin Pride 101**

**8:30 PM - 9:30 PM**

**Location: Stambaugh Stadium**

**Sponsored By: First Year Student Services & Student Activities**

We're going to kick off the Fall 2017 semester with some YSU spirit and we want ALL students to join us. Come to the stadium in your best YSU gear ready to sing the fight song, play some on the field games, and more! For any questions, please reach out to us at [firstyear@ysu.edu](mailto:firstyear@ysu.edu).

**Tuesday, August 22**

**IGNITE: Day 2!**

**10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

**Location: Cafaro Lobby, Kilcawley Center**

**Sponsored By: First Year Student Services & Student Activities**

Drop by the IGNITE ZONE in the Cafaro Lobby of Kilcawley Center to connect with an IGNITE Leader! We'll take you to find your classes, stop by Financial Aid, or do whatever you need to do to be ready for the first day of classes. Attend one (or more!) of our quick info sessions to learn more about campus opportunities and resources. For more information, contact First Year Student Services at (330) 941-2131.

**Scrappers Game**

**7:00 PM**

**Location: Eastwood Field (111 Eastwood Mall Blvd. Niles, OH 44446-1357)**

Come cheer on your local minor league baseball team, the Mahoning Valley Scrappers, as they take on the Batavia Muckdogs. For ticket information, call (330) 505-0000.

**Wednesday, August 23**

**Welcome and Information Tents**

**8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Location: Outside Kilcawley Center, Maag Library, and Between Cushwa and DeBartolo Halls (Rain Location: Under Awnings near those locations)**

**Sponsored By: First Year Student Services**

Have a question about YSU? Lost on your way to class? Need directions? Come visit us and we'll help out! Peer Leaders and Orientation Leaders will be available throughout the day to help out with anything you need. Everyone who stops by gets a FREE gift, so come visit us! For any questions, please reach out to us at [firstyear@ysu.edu](mailto:firstyear@ysu.edu).

**Golf Kart Karaoke - Zac Brown Band Edition****All Day****Location: Campus Core****Sponsored By: Penguin Productions & Office of Marketing & Communications**

Are you ready for the Zac Brown Band concert? Do you know the lyrics to his songs? Find out by hopping on board our karaoke golf cart to sing your heart out and put your Zac Brown Band skills to the test. For more information, contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

**#MaagFamous: Your Path to Stardom Starts Here****10:00 AM - 2:00 PM****Location: Maag Library Lobby****Sponsored By: Maag Library**

Come learn how Maag Library can help you be a famous star by using our library services! We are giving away FREE nachos to those who visit. Plus, don't miss your chance to win a Barnes & Noble gift certificate and giveaways by playing Plinko! For more information, contact Shelly Zhu at (330) 941-1723 or xzhu@ysu.edu.

**Are You Smarter Than An Anthropologist?****10:00 AM - 4:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Lower Arcade****Sponsored By: Anthropology Colloquium**

Think you're smarter than an anthropologist? Come and test your knowledge against our anthropology students! Play for a chance to win cool prizes! For more info, contact Calley Stredney at crstredney@student.ysu.edu.

**Kilcawley Center Block Party – VIPete Lounge****11:00 AM - 1:30 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room****Sponsored By: Kilcawley Center**

Bring your fabulous self to the VIPete Lounge and enjoy free food, swag bags for the first 500 guests. Chill to music from DJ Kickdrum. For more information, contact Kilcawley Center Staff Offices at (330) 941-1758.

**First Day of School Photos****11:00 am - 2:00 pm****Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room****Sponsored By: Housing & Residence Life**

Whether it is your first year or last year here at Youngstown State, make every moment count! Housing & Residence Life are here to make your first day of school special by capturing you & Pete for first day of school photos. For more info, contact Ahjah Johnson at amjohnson13@ysu.edu.

**Table of Plenty****6:00 PM - 8:00 PM****Location: YSU Newman Center (254 Madison Avenue)**

**Sponsored By: Catholic Student Association**

Join us for a cookout in front of the YSU Newman Center (behind Lyden & Cafaro). For more information, contact Joe Sebest, [jmsebest@student.ysu.edu](mailto:jmsebest@student.ysu.edu).

**Star Studded Silent Disco**

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

**Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room**

**Sponsored By: Student Activities**

Party like you're famous at this wireless dance party! Pick up a pair of our headphones as you walk in the door, and let Live DJs broadcast your favorite tracks directly into your ears. Grab a friend and switch between stations to pick what tunes you jam to under the disco ball! From your favorite Throwback Songs to Today's Hits—our DJs have you covered. You don't want to miss out on this unique experience! YSU ID required to participate. For more information, contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

**Hip Hop Dance Clinic**

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Fitness Studio**

**Sponsored By: Campus Recreation**

Mix, mingle, dance, and learn as you explore the world of hip hop with the YSU Hip Hop Dance Club Team. Come meet other YSU students in this fun dance forum. For more information, contact Tessa Padilla at [tdpadilla@ysu.edu](mailto:tdpadilla@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-2239.

Thursday, August 24

**Welcome and Information Tents**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Location: Outside Kilcawley Center, Between Meshel Bridge and Maag Library, and Between Cushwa and DeBartolo Halls (Rain Location: Under Awnings near those locations)**

**Sponsored By: First Year Student Services**

Have a question about YSU? Lost on your way to class? Need directions? Come visit us and we'll help out! Peer Leaders and Orientation Leaders will be available throughout the day to help out with anything you need. Everyone who stops by gets a FREE gift, so come visit us! Check in once you get here with the YSU App. For any questions, please reach out to us at [firstyear@ysu.edu](mailto:firstyear@ysu.edu).

**Welcome Week Massages**

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Meditation Room**

**Sponsored By: Campus Recreation**

Start the semester off right and stress free. Try a relaxation massage that uses relaxation techniques to help you calm your nerves. There are substantial health benefits to a relaxation massage, including calming the nervous system and promoting a sense of well-being. The primary purpose will be to help you relax and get ready for the upcoming semester. Check in once you get here with the YSU App. For more info, contact Ryan McNicholas at [ramcnicholas@ysu.edu](mailto:ramcnicholas@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-2207.

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**Student Organization Fair****10:00 AM - 2:00 PM****Location: Campus Core (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room)****Sponsored By: Student Activities**

If you are looking for ways to get involved on campus, the Student Organization Fair is a visit you must simply make! Whether you are interested in sports, sororities, fraternities, religion, politics, dance, fencing, bowling, math, or science, YSU has an organization for you! Take a casual walk through the fair and then decide which organization is the best fit for you! For further information, please contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

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**Y Live featuring Zac Brown Band****7:00 PM - 11:00 PM****Location: Stambaugh Stadium****Sponsored By: JAC Live, Youngstown State University, The Eastwood Mall, Sweeney Chevrolet Buick GMC, the DeBartolo Corporation, and Huntington Bank**

Join 21,000 fans in Stambaugh Stadium to listen to 3-time Grammy winner, Zac Brown Band! Students can purchase discounted tickets at ticketmaster.com by entering their YSU Banner ID number in the "Offer Code" box at the top of the page to unlock the \$20 per ticket discount. Tickets required for entrance. Gates open at 5:30 PM and the show starts at 7:00 PM. For more info, visit ylivemusic.com.

**Friday, August 25****Center for Student Progress Open House****8:30 AM - 2:00 PM****Location: Center for Student Progress****Sponsored By: Center for Student Progress**



Join the CSP student employees and staff for donuts and coffee in the morning and pizza for lunch. We'll share our success stories and show off our fresh new look. Check us out on the Campus App under Academic Support! For more info, contact Becky Varian at blvarian@ysu.edu.

### **Photo Booth Memory Strips**

**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

***Location: Kilcawley Center Fountain (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room)***

***Sponsored By: Student Activities***

Embrace the paparazzi of this year's Welcome Week and take a picture because it'll last longer. For more information, contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

### **Build-A-Penguin**

**11:00 AM - Until they're gone!**

***Location: Kilcawley Center Fountain (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room)***

***Sponsored By: Student Activities***

Build the famous Pete the Penguin to take home with you! The reputation of these penguins precedes them so make sure to get there early because they won't last long. YSU students only. For more information, contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

### **Minute to Win It**

**12:30 PM - 2:00 PM**

***Location: Campus Core (Rain Location: Moser Hall, Main Lobby)***

***Sponsored By: YSU Math Department***

Student organizations of the department of mathematics and statistics will be hosting (non-math related) Minute to Win It games in the campus core. Participating students will have the opportunity to win some prizes. For more information, contact the YSU department of Mathematics and Statistics.

### **Quidditch Pong**

**1:30 PM - 3:30 PM**

***Location: Campus Core (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Awning)***

***Sponsored By: Room of Requirement***

Come join the Room of Requirement to try your luck at quidditch pong and see who is the king (or queen) of YSU! Then show your skills off at the Campus Rec Center later tonight! For more info, contact Krista Clay at kmclay@student.ysu.edu.

### **Harry Potter: Start-of-Term Feast**

**4:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

***Location: Christman Dining Commons***

***Sponsored By: YSU Dining by Chartwells***

Experience a dinner straight out of Harry Potter with our Start-of-Term Feast! Wizards and Muggles together will

enjoy a Hogwarts themed welcoming dinner with all of the delicious delights that Harry and friends would approve of! To top it off, we'll have tasty desserts and treats, along with samples of Butterbeer to quench your thirst. Open to all students! For more information, contact Emily Davis at [emily.davis2@compass-usa.com](mailto:emily.davis2@compass-usa.com).

**Throwback Party (80's era)****5:00 PM - 8:00 PM****Location: McKay Auditorium****Sponsored By: Guinathon**

Come join us to kick off the new school year and celebrate all the MIRACLES we created last year! Enjoy music, dancing, lip sync battles, and spending time with the Miracle Families. Also find out any information you need to know about Guinathon and how you can sign up to be a dancer or be part of our exec team. For more information contact Jenna Roesch at [guinathon@ysu.edu](mailto:guinathon@ysu.edu).

**Rec Xtra: Potter Palooza****8:00 PM - 11:00 PM****Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center****Sponsored By: Campus Recreation**

Manage your mischief the first week back to school with our Harry Potter-themed Rec Xtra night! Co-hosted by the Room of Requirement, this is an event that is entertaining for muggles and wizards alike. Come check out activities such as Quidditch, Quidditch Pong, Harry Potter trivia, or Spike Ball. Climb the Rock Wall, try out crate stacking, strike a pose at our selfie station, or visit club sports tables! Prizes will be given out to the first 200 students to visit all 7 Harry Potter-themed stations. Stop by for a spell and grab a Harry-Potter themed snack in the lobby while supplies last. Check in once you get here with the YSU App. For more info, contact Joe Conroy at [jconroy@ysu.edu](mailto:jconroy@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-3731.

**Saturday, August 26****#YSUDowntown Day****All Day!****Location: Downtown Youngstown**

YSU is only a staircase away from downtown Youngstown! Spend the day exploring all that our city has to offer. Use your YSU ID for discounts at Joe Maxx, Avalon Downtown Pizza, One Hot Cookie, The Federal, Suzie's Dogs & Drafts, O'Donold's Irish Pub, Charlie Staples BBQ, or Overture Café. There are possibilities around every corner. Come see what downtown has in store for you!

**SPINNING Certification****8:00 AM - 5:00 PM****Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center****Sponsored By: Campus Recreation**

This comprehensive workshop will give you all the tools you need to become a certified Spinning instructor and lead your own classes in any of the 35,000+ Official Spinning Facilities worldwide. Bring your gear and be ready for two great rides led by a Spinning Master Instructor. Workshop time (including two rides and a lunch break) is nine hours. Note: Heart Rate Monitor strongly recommended for this workshop. For more info, contact Ryan McNicholas at [ramcnicholas@ysu.edu](mailto:ramcnicholas@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-2207.

**Student Leadership Summit****8:30 AM - 2:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room****Sponsored By: Student Activities**

Guest speakers, interactive leadership sessions, giveaways, and lunch will once again be the order of the day as we kick off the school year! Our leadership summit provides a unique opportunity for student organization leaders to network and get to know other organization members, all the while learning of the many features that are available to all of our registered organizations. We encourage all registered student organizations to be represented, hoping that one or more officers (and yes, advisors are always welcome) will make plans to attend the leadership workshop. Advance registration is required. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call the Student Activities Office at (330) 941-3575.

**JD's Summer Songfest III****3:30 pm - 10:30 pm****Location: S Champion St. Youngstown, OH 44503 (Adjacent to The SOAP Gallery)**

A family-friendly day of acoustic music, food, drinks, yard games, and good times in downtown Youngstown. Featuring: Will Hoge, JD Eicher, Joy Ike, & The Labra Brothers. The cost of admission is \$5 if purchased in advance / \$10 if purchased the day of the event. All ages are welcome. For more information or to purchase your ticket, visit <http://www.universe.com/jdesongfest> [2].

**Shakespeare In The Park: Romeo and Juliet****6:00 pm - 9:00 pm****Location: Judge Leo P. Morley Pavilion (1861 McCollum Rd. Youngstown, OH 44509)**

The Mahoning Valley Players present Romeo and Juliet, the classic tale of love and pain, directed by Robert Dennick Joki and performed by Shakespearean actors from the tri-county area. Lawn seating. Call Ford Nature Center for details.

**Scrappers Game****7:00 PM****Location: Eastwood Field (111 Eastwood Mall Blvd. Niles, OH 44446-1357)**

Come cheer on your local minor league baseball team, the Mahoning Valley Scrappers, as they take on the West Virginia Black Bears. For ticket information, call (330) 505-0000.

**Meet the Marching Pride****7:30 PM - 9:00 PM****Location: Stambaugh Stadium****Sponsored By: YSU Marching Pride**

Grab your friends and come out to see the Marching Pride under the lights in their first public performance of the season. You'll have a chance to sit in the stands close to the football field at Stambaugh Stadium to watch these talented musicians and majorettes perform. Start football season off right by coming to Meet the Marching Pride! For additional information, contact Dr. Brandt Payne at [bpayne@ysu.edu](mailto:bpayne@ysu.edu).

**Sunday, August 27****Panerathon****10:00 AM - 1:00 PM****Location: Covelli Centre (229 E Front St. Youngstown, Ohio 44503)**

Be a part of the largest fundraising event in our Valley! The Panerathon is a 10k/2 mile walk/run for the Mercy Health Foundation Mahoning Valley in support of the Joanie Abdu Comprehensive Breast Care Center. To date, the Panerathon has raised \$1.6 million for this cause. For more information, including registration and volunteer opportunities, visit [panerathon.org](http://panerathon.org).

**Polish Day****11:00 AM - 8:00 PM****Location: St. Anne Church (4310 Kirk Rd. Austintown, OH 44511)**

Stop out to enjoy a Polish platter or something from the Krakus Polish deli and bakery. The event will start with a Mass, followed by live polka bands, workshops and vendor displays. Folk art demonstrations and performances are also on the entertainment lineup. Show your skills by registering for the 8th annual Pierogi Eating Contest. FREE admission with your valid YSU student ID (a \$5 savings)! For more details, visit [www.polishyoungstown.org](http://www.polishyoungstown.org).

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**Monday, August 28****Chalk the Walks – Sidewalk Chalk Competition****8:00 AM – 6:00 PM****Location: Campus Core Sidewalks (If rain, the contest will take place the following day)****Sponsored By: Pete's Planners & Student Activities**

Gain your fame by entering our sidewalk chalk contest. All submissions are to incorporate a visual representation of the aspects of Youngstown that make it special. You can register for the competition and pick up chalk in the Office of Student Activities until 4:30 PM. Judging will take place at 6:30 PM. The winner will receive a \$50 craft store gift

card. Please make sure to follow the rules: no writing on buildings or under overhangs. The rain must be able to wash it away so only the sidewalk chalk provided is permitted. For more information, please contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

### **Puppy Palooza**

**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

***Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Entrance Area***

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation & Animal Charity Humane Society***

Are you a bit overwhelmed with the start of a new semester? Studies have shown that petting dogs can reduce stress! Come relieve some start-of-the-year stress and play with adorable puppies! Animal Charity Humane Society will be bringing animals to campus to help reduce your stress. Donations will be accepted. Check in once you get here with the YSU App. For more info, contact Ryan McNicholas at ramcnicholas@ysu.edu or (330) 941-2207.

### **Free Agent Countdown**

**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

***Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Lobby***

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation***

3..2..1, Countdown is on to sign up for a team! Are you interested in signing up for one of the Intramural sports or looking for people to create a Super team? Come talk to one of our Intramural sports staff members and find out how to begin your journey to Intramural Immortality! Check in once you get here with the YSU App. For more info, contact Joe Conroy at jconroy@ysu.edu or (330) 941-3731.

### **Student Government Football Toss and T-Shirt Giveaway**

**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

***Location: Heritage Park (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center Overhang)***

***Sponsored By: Student Government Association***

Come by and take the chance to win a free t-shirt through the fun and simple participation of football toss! For more information, contact Student Government Association at (330) 941-3591.

### **Proudly Serving Penguins**

**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

***Location: Meshel Hall, second floor atrium***

***Sponsored By: Penguin Service Center: A One-Stop for Campus***

Come visit our office to find out what we're famous for and why we're so proud. We will have lots of cool giveaway items – tell us something we do to help our YSU students and win a prize! For more information, contact Carrie Stipanovich at cmstipanovich@ysu.edu.

### **Meet the Trainer**

**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

***Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, S&C Area***

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation***

Interested in training with a partner or a small group of friends? What about meeting 1-on-1 with a certified

Personal Trainer to develop a fitness program to reach your exercise goals? Come speak with our certified personal trainers to discuss your fitness goals. Check in once you get here with the YSU App to receive a free prize! For more info, contact Jasc Romeo at [jmromeo02@student.ysu.edu](mailto:jmromeo02@student.ysu.edu) or (330) 941-2244.

#### **Ask the Nutritionist**

**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

***Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Lobby***

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation***

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#### **Golf FORE Free**

**2:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

***Location: Henry Stambaugh Golf Course (202 Gypsy Ln, Youngstown, OH 44505)***

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation & City of Youngstown Parks & Recreation***

FREE GOLF & FREE FOOD. The penguin shuttle will be available with free transportation for you and your clubs. The shuttle will stop at the north entrance of Kilcawley Center and at the entrance of the golf course every 30 minutes. There is a \$5 Cart fee, if needed. Check in once you get here with the YSU App. For more info, contact Ryan McNicholas at [ramcnicholas@ysu.edu](mailto:ramcnicholas@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-2207.

#### **Family Feud**

**7:00 PM - 10:00 PM**

***Location: Kilcawley Center, Lariccia Lounge***

***Sponsored By: Student Activities***

Everybody wants their 10 minutes of fame, come get yours by creating a team of 5 students to compete in our Youngstown rendition of Family Feud. Sign your team up at [ysu.edu/welcomeweek](http://ysu.edu/welcomeweek) until all spots are filled. For more information, contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

#### **Tuesday, August 29**

#### **Free Agent Countdown**

**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

***Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Lobby***

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation***

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**Build Your Own Mini Mill Creek****11:00 AM - 1:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, The Fountain (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Lariccia Lounge)****Sponsored By: Pete's Planners & Student Activities**

What is a more famous location in Youngstown than Mill Creek Metroparks? Make a mini replica of the beautiful park to take home with you while supplies last. A representative from Mill Creek will be on sight to assist you in your creation, answer any questions you have about the park, and inform you of all the park has to offer. For more info, contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

**Geography Ice Cream Social****11:00 AM - 1:00 PM****Location: In front of the Phelps Building on Phelps Street (Rain Location: Phelps building, Lobby)****Sponsored By: Department of Geography & Geography Club**

Ice cream will be served to YSU students. For more info, contact Dawna Cerney at (330) 941-2301 or [dlcerney@ysu.edu](mailto:dlcerney@ysu.edu).

**Meet the YSU Advertising Club****11:00 AM - 3:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Outside Awning (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Lower Arcade)****Sponsored By: YSU Ads Club**

Ads club brings business and creativity together to provide real world experience and wonderful opportunities for all members. Come speak to us to learn about the perks of being in Ads club and what we have to offer! "If you don't like what's being said, change the conversation" – Mad Men. For more info, contact Kellie Daley at [kmdaley@student.ysu.edu](mailto:kmdaley@student.ysu.edu).

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**YSU Volleyball vs Robert Morris****6:00 PM - 10:00 PM****Location: Beeghly Center**

Cheer on your Lady Penguins as they take on Robert Morris at home! For more information, call (330) 941-1978.

**Meet the Greeks****7:00 PM - 9:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room****Sponsored By: Student Activities**

Did you ever wonder what fraternities and sororities do on a day-to-day basis? Come to this session to find out the meaning behind the letters. At this event, each active chapter will be present to share information about their individual organization and able to answer any questions you may have about joining Greek Life. For further information, please contact Carrie Anderson at (330) 941-4702.

**Wednesday, August 30****Canfield Fair****8:00 AM - 11:00 PM****Location: 7265 Columbiana-Canfield Rd, Canfield, OH 44406**

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**Handshake Lemonade Stand****9:00 AM - 4:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Upper Arcade****Sponsored By: Career & Academic Advising**

Get introduced to Handshake, YSU's job and internship posting service, and practice your handshake! When you meet an employer, the first impression is the last impression....and your handshake is your first impression. Practice with us until your handshake is perfect and win a prize! For more information, contact the Career & Academic Advising Office at (330) 941-3511.

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**Namaste at the Fountain****11:00 AM - 12:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center Fountain (Rain Location: Andrews Student Recreation & Wellness Center, Fitness Studio)****Sponsored By: Campus Recreation**

Come to this class to start your semester stress free and feeling great! Focusing on a variety of poses and breathing techniques, this class is geared towards those new to yoga and yogis alike! You will leave this class feeling energized and ready to face the semester! Yoga mats will be available. Check in once you get here with the YSU App to receive a prize! For more info, contact Jasc Romeo at [jmromeo02@student.ysu.edu](mailto:jmromeo02@student.ysu.edu) or (330) 941-2244.

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**Snack and Learn: STEM Nation Support Services****11:00 AM - 1:00 PM****Location: Moser Hall Courtyard (Rain Location: Moser Hall Lobby)****Sponsored By: College of STEM**

STEM majors are invited to stop by and grab a snack while you meet Academic Advisors and representatives from STEM Professional Services and the Outreach and Scholarship Office. Ask questions about your major; learn about scholarship, volunteer, and engagement opportunities; and explore the support services available to help you obtain a co-op, internship, research experience, or full-time job! Dean Steelant will make an appearance as he kicks off his new STEM Nation vlog - will you be a part of the Nation?! For more information, contact Emilie Eberth, [egeberth@ysu.edu](mailto:egeberth@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-2884.

**Student Veterans Welcome Cookout****11:00 AM - 3:00 PM****Location: Veterans Resource Center, East Lawn (Rain Location: Veterans Resource Center)****Sponsored By: Veterans Resource Center**

Are you a "student veteran?" Come enjoy a burger or a hot dog, grab a soft drink, and meet your fellow student service members/veterans! We'll have corn hole boards, playing cards, and video games for your enjoyment. Tour the Veterans Resource Center and learn about the benefits we offer student veterans as part of a "Veteran Friendly" Campus! For more information, contact Rick Williams at [plwilliams@ysu.edu](mailto:plwilliams@ysu.edu).

### **SGA's Ice Cream Extravaganza**

**12:00 PM - 2:00 PM**

***Location: Campus Core (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Lower Arcade)***

***Sponsored By: Student Government Association***

Come beat the heat of the new year with some free ice cream as you meet members of your student government at the SGA Ice Cream Extravaganza! For more information, contact Student Government Association at (330) 941-3591.

### **Table of Plenty and Aqua Wars**

**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

***Location: YSU Newman Center (254 Madison Avenue)***

***Sponsored By: Catholic Student Association***

Join us for a free meal and our famous aqua wars in front of the YSU Newman Center (behind Lyden & Cafaro). Wear old clothes, get one of our free shirts, and prepare to shoot your friends with tie-dye clothes paint! For more information, contact Joe Sebest, [jmsebest@student.ysu.edu](mailto:jmsebest@student.ysu.edu).

### **Open House and Mass**

**6:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

***Location: YSU Newman Center (254 Madison Avenue)***

***Sponsored By: Catholic Student Association***

Join us for a tour of the YSU Newman Center (behind Lyden & Cafaro). Afterwards join us at one of our Catholic masses. For more information, contact Joe Sebest at [jmsebest@student.ysu.edu](mailto:jmsebest@student.ysu.edu).

### **Learn to Climb Part 1: The Basics**

**7:00 PM - 10:00 PM**

***Location: Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Climbing Wall***

***Sponsored By: Campus Recreation***

One of our Certified Climbing Wall Instructors will guide you in a highly interactive, hands-on clinic where you will learn the basics of climbing including: holds, moves, gear, and more. The session will end with free-climb time and climbing games! Minimum/Maximum participants: 4/16. The clinic is free for students, but you must sign up for this clinic online at <https://store.reccenter.ysu.edu/> [3] and click register, or in the Andrews Administrative Offices. For more info, contact R.J. Markowitz at [ramarkowitz@ysu.edu](mailto:ramarkowitz@ysu.edu) or (330) 941-1964.

**Thursday, August 31**

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**Youngstown's - Take Home - Walk of Fame****10:00 AM - 1:00 PM****Location: Campus Core (Rain Location: Kilcawley Center, Lariccia Lounge)****Sponsored By: Pete's Planners & Student Activities**

All the famous deserve something with their name on it. Come handprint a square for your walk of fame. For more information, contact Student Activities at (330) 941-3575.

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**First Year Student Mixer****3:00 PM - 5:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Ohio Room****Sponsored By: First Year Student Services**

Come get to know other First Year students across campus! We'll have food, games, and tons of fun! Be ready to compete for some great YSU prizes and more. This event is come and go any time, so stop in when you can. For any questions, please reach out to us at [firstyear@ysu.edu](mailto:firstyear@ysu.edu).

**Graduate Student Social****4:00 PM - 6:00 PM****Location: Pollock House on Wick Ave.****Sponsored By: College of Graduate Studies**

Graduate students enrolled for the fall 2017 semester, please join President Tressel and the College of Graduate Studies staff for food, fun, and fellowship. Come and get to know your fellow graduate students. Bring your appetite and any questions that you may have. If you are planning to attend, please contact Mary Ellen Munroe at [memunroe@ysu.edu](mailto:memunroe@ysu.edu) no later than Monday, August 28. (We don't want to run out of food!) We hope to see you there! Contact Mary Ellen Munroe at (330) 941-2515 if you have questions.

**Scrappers Game****7:00 PM****Location: Eastwood Field (111 Eastwood Mall Blvd. Niles, OH 44446-1357)**

Come cheer on your local minor league baseball team, the Mahoning Valley Scrappers, as they take on the State College Spikes. For ticket information, call (330) 505-0000.

**Friday, September 1****YSU Day****8:00 AM - 5:00 PM****Location: All over campus****Sponsored By: First Year Student Services & Student Activities**

YSU turns 50 today! On September 1, 1967, the university officially joined the Ohio System of Higher Education as Youngstown State University. Be on the look out for fun activities, giveaways, and more throughout the day. **BE SURE TO WEAR YSU APPAREL TODAY!!** For any questions, please reach out to us at [firstyear@ysu.edu](mailto:firstyear@ysu.edu).

**United Way Day of Caring****8:00 AM - 3:00 PM****Location: Covelli Centre (229 E. Front St. Youngstown OH)****Sponsored By: United Way of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley**

The United Way Day of Caring is a community-wide day of volunteering. They have teamed up with several local organizations to revitalize a South Side Youngstown neighborhood. This project consists of painting, construction, landscaping, cleaning, and installing smoke detectors. Volunteers can also participate by completing tasks, odd jobs, and organizing activities for local non-profit organizations. Please register online by going to <https://www.ymvunitedway.org/day-caring> [4]. Questions, email [rsebest@ymvunitedway.org](mailto:rsebest@ymvunitedway.org) or call (330) 746-8494.

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**Penguin Famous Tie Dye****10:00 AM - 1:00 PM****Location: Kilcawley Center, Outside Awning****Sponsored By: First Year Student Services**

Come and tie dye a YSU Shirt! Shirts are provided to students for free and will be available in a variety of sizes on a first come, first served basis. We can't wait to see your tie dye style! For any questions, please reach out to us at [firstyear@ysu.edu](mailto:firstyear@ysu.edu).

**Party Bus to the Canfield Fair****4:00 PM - 8:30 PM****Location: 7265 Columbiana-Canfield Rd, Canfield, OH 44406**

Hop on the YSU shuttle to take the 15 minute ride to the Canfield Fair! A YSU pep rally will take place at 5:00 PM so wear your YSU gear and spread YSU cheer at the Canfield Fair. We have a limited number of seats and FREE tickets available. Sign up in the Student Activities Office to claim your spot. The shuttle departs campus at 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM and departs from the fairgrounds at 6:30 PM & 8:30 PM. For more information, call Student Activities at 330-

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### Saturday, September 2

#### Canfield Fair

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#### YSU Football Game

1:00 pm

**Location: Heinz Field (100 Art Rooney Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212)**

Our #YoungstownFamous Penguins made it all the way to the FCS National Championship Game last season. So make the trip to Pittsburgh and watch our Penguins take on the Pitt Panthers in the first game of their sure to be remarkable run for the championship! For more information, contact (330) 941-1978.

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#### Links

[1] <http://www.ysu.edu/reccenter/>

[2] <http://www.universe.com/jdesongfest>

[3] <https://store.reccenter.ysu.edu/>

[4] <https://www.ymvunitedway.org/day-caring>

## **YSU Summer Bridge Program 2017 Update**

- This was the second year of a two-year \$20,000 grant that was awarded to the program by the Wean Foundation.
- The number of Summer Bridge participants for 2017 increased to 39 participants, which is the largest Summer Bridge cohort ever. Last year there were 34 participants.
- The program collaborated with the community by featuring Guy Burney from Youngstown's Community Initiative program.
- The Summer Bridge Program continues to show success with retaining students (82% for the 2016 cohort, which is a four percent increase over the 2015 cohort of 78%) and graduating minority students at a higher average than that of YSU minority students not participating.

## CURRENT ACCREDITATION ACTIVITY

### September 2017

#### Summary of recent site visits:

- The YSU Dr. Madeleine Haggerty Dental Hygiene Program will be evaluated for continued accreditation by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation on November 2-3, 2017. The dental hygiene program has been accredited by the American Dental Association, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) since 1976.

#### Summary of recent accreditation actions:

- YSU submitted its Higher Learning Commission Quality Initiative report on August 31, 2017. The university's quality initiative focused on student retention through the Student Success initiatives of the strategic plan.

#### Details:

Program	Status
<b>Art</b> National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD)	NASAD granted plan approval for BFA: Studio Art (Painting/Printmaking) and plan approval for the DM program. The new MFA in Interdisciplinary Visual Arts was awarded NASAD plan approval. The Commission voted to continue the current membership status and is seeking further information before completing renewal of membership. The department retains accreditation during this deferral period. Items for response are confirmation of: hiring of Art History faculty member (in process); completion of HVAC systems in ceramics, photography, and printmaking facilities (in process); hiring of OSHA-trained technician (in process); and providing additional information on library holdings (in process). The department will provide an action report to the NASAD Commission by the September 1, 2017, deadline.
<b>Business</b> AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business	The AACSB Board of Directors has ratified the recommendation to extend the AACSB accreditation of the YSU BSBA and MBA programs. The next review is scheduled for 2019-2020. The AACSB Continuous Review Application was submitted June 30. This application is due two years before the site visit.
<b>Chemistry</b> American Chemical Society (ACS)	An annual report is submitted each August/September, and an application for accreditation is submitted every six years. The most recent accreditation application was submitted in June 2016, and supplemental information (by request) was submitted in October 2016. The application was scheduled for review in January 2017, and outcome letters will be sent out by the ACS in March.
<b>Counseling</b> Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)	CACREP granted full accreditation to the MS. Ed. in Counseling—Addiction Counseling. Clinical Mental Health Counseling, School Counseling, and Student Affairs/College Counseling program tracks for the full eight-year period, until March 31, 2023.
<b>Dental Hygiene</b> American Dental Association	Self-study for continuing accreditation of the Dental Hygiene program is due September 2, 2017. Site visit is scheduled for November 2-3, 2017.



<p><b>Dietetics Program</b> Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND); Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)</p>	<p>The five-year midpoint Program Assessment Reports (PAR) for the Coordinated and Didactic Programs in Dietetics and the Dietetic Technician programs were submitted in December 2015, and all three programs met criteria for continued accreditation in good standing. The three existing programs will submit reports to ACEND in January 2018 to illustrate how the 2017 Accreditation Standards have been assimilated into program dynamics. The Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CPD) is in the process of being converted to a master's degree. An application to adapt the Master's in Public Health offered through the CEOMPH and offer it as a dietetics track with selected graduate dietetics coursework and supervised practice requirements is moving forward. ACEND offers an opportunity for selected pilot programs of this kind to have application/accreditation fees paid by ACEND, and the Department of Human Ecology will seek to earn one of those sponsored program slots. If one of the slots is secured, accreditation of the MPH-CPD will be sought at that time, prior to the slated 2020 reaccreditation.</p>
<p><b>Education and Licensure Programs</b> National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)</p> <p>Accreditation occurs at the unit (BCOE) level.</p>	<p>The NCATE site visit took place March 20-24, 2010. On November 5, 2010, NCATE sent official notice that accreditation "is continued at the initial teacher preparation and advanced preparation levels." YSU meets all 6 NCATE standards. The next site visit will take place in spring 2017.</p>
<p><b>Emergency Medical Services</b> State of Ohio Department of Public Safety / Division of Emergency Medical Services</p> <p>Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs—EMS Professions (CoAEMSP—CAAHEP)</p>	<p>The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) program was site visited on March 3, 2016, by the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) Division of EMS, and on March 3 and 4 by the Committee on Accreditation of Education Programs for the EMS Profession (CoAEMSP). The program received no citations from either the state or CoAEMSP reaccreditation visit. Subsequent to the submission of the self-study documents and site visit, the program received full reaccreditation by the ODPS Division of EMS and has received its findings letter from CoAEMSP indicating there were no citations and the program is being forwarded to the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) for full reaccreditation for five years. The EMS program received official notification from CAAHEP of its recognition for the full five-year period.</p>
<p><b>Engineering</b> Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)</p>	<p>The Electrical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering programs are fully accredited by ABET until September 30, 2020. A request to ABET by January 31, 2019, will be required to initiate a reaccreditation visit in 2019.</p>
<p><b>Engineering Technology</b> Engineering Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ETAC-ABET)</p>	<p>ETAC-ABET granted continuing accreditation in August 2012. CCET (AAS), CCET (BSAS), EET (AAS), EET (BSAS), MET (AAS), and MET (BSAS) have been accredited through September 30, 2018. The date for ETAC-ABET accreditation visit is October 15-17, 2018.</p>

<p><b>Foreign Languages</b> ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Recognition for Italian Education and Spanish Education</p>	<p>Resubmission of the Italian Education and Spanish Education programs to ACTFL in March 2016 has resulted in national recognition for both programs effective August 2016.</p>
<p><b>Forensic Science</b> American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS)</p>	<p>Application for initial accreditation pending; self-study and site visit to follow.</p>
<p><b>Kinesiology and Sport Science</b> Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE)</p>	<p>The Master of Athletic Training self-study was submitted to CAATE for accreditation in July 2017. The anticipated site visit is January 2018.</p>
<p><b>Medical Assisting Technology</b> American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA) / Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)</p>	<p>Most recent accreditation July 2004. Reaccreditation self-study was submitted December 27, 2012. The site visit is scheduled for May 6-7, 2013. CAAHEP granted the program continuing accreditation for a full ten years. The next review will occur in 2023.</p>
<p><b>Medical Laboratory Technology</b> National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)</p>	<p>Most recent accreditation in 2006. Reaccreditation self-study was submitted to NAACLS May 1, 2012. Site visit occurred October 15-16, 2012. Program received no citations or recommendations. NAACLS awarded continuing accreditation for the full seven years until April 30, 2020. Submission of the next Self-Study Report will be due April 1, 2019, and a site visit will be scheduled during Fall 2019.</p>
<p><b>Medical Laboratory Science</b> National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)</p>	<p>A letter requesting an initial accreditation application was submitted to NAACLS on October 10, 2014. NAACLS approved the application and preliminary report. The full self-study was submitted to NAACLS on September 26, 2016. The site visit occurred April 11-12, 2017. The site visit team found no standards violations; therefore, no citations were issued. The program must wait for the NAACLS Board to officially approve the initial accreditation.</p>
<p><b>Music</b> National Association of Schools of Music (NASM)</p>	<p>In June 2012, the NASM Commission on Accreditation voted to continue YSU and the Dana School of Music in good standing. A follow-up report on activities was sent to NASM. In June 2013, the NASM Commission on Accreditation voted to accept the YSU progress report. In July 2016, the NASM Commission on Accreditation accepted YSU's Application for Plan Approval of Dana's Bachelor of Music in Music Recording. The next full review will take place in 2020-2021.</p>
<p><b>Nursing</b> Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)  Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)</p>	<p>Site visit for BSN, MSN, and post-master's certificate conducted February 18-20, 2014. Next evaluation visit: Spring 2022.  Site visit for BSN, MSN, and post-master's certificate on February 6-8, 2017. Program is awaiting report from the CCNE Board of Commissioners.</p>
<p><b>Physical Therapy</b></p>	<p>Accreditation report for the Physical Therapy Education program was submitted spring 2004. Self-study for</p>

<p>Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)</p>	<p>master's program submitted February 2004; site visit conducted April 19-21, 2004. Notice of 10-year accreditation received November 19, 2004. Progress report submitted August 15, 2005, and accepted in October 2005; CAPTE continued the accreditation granted the year before. The department submitted an additional progress report in August 2006, and CAPTE found the program in full compliance. In October 2006, the Commission continued the accreditation granted in 2004.</p> <p>The MPT has been discontinued. Accreditation now applies to the DPT program approved by the Higher Learning Commission in 2008. A site team from CAPTE visited YSU from April 27-30, 2014, for a self-study visit for the DPT program. The self-study was submitted February 2014 for this visit. The site team gave a favorable report. Ten-year accreditation was reaffirmed in writing on November 12, 2014, with a compliance report due February 15, 2015. This report was submitted, and on 4/29/15 CAPTE granted the program continuing accreditation with the next scheduled self-study and site visit in spring 2024.</p>
<p><b>Public Health (Consortium of Eastern Ohio Master of Public Health)</b> Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)</p>	<p>The MPH is offered by a consortium of six institutions, including YSU. Initial accreditation earned in 2003. Site visit occurred April 20-21, 2009. In October 2009, the Council renewed accreditation for seven years, until December 31, 2016. Site visit occurred October 3-4, 2016, will all compliant findings. Official notification will be received in June 2017.</p>
<p><b>Respiratory Care and Respiratory Care "Polysomnography Specialty Option"</b> Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC)</p>	<p>The Polysomnography [Sleep-Study] Specialty Option in the Respiratory Care program received "continuing accreditation" September 19, 2008, and will undergo accreditation review with the respiratory care program. A progress report is submitted annually. Self-study documents for the BS in Respiratory Care and Polysomnography Specialty Option were submitted on August 28, 2010. The site visit for Respiratory Care and Polysomnography took place in February 2011. CoARC granted both programs full continuing accreditation, with no further progress reports due. The next site visit is scheduled for 2018. Due to increase in demand, the Respiratory Care program applied to CoARC to be able to accept additional students into the Polysomnography program. The program received approval to increase the number of students from 11 to 18 per cohort.</p>
<p><b>Social Work</b> Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)</p>	<p>Following submission of reaffirmation materials in April 2012 and an on-campus site visit in October 2012, the Bachelor of Social Work program earned re-affirmed accreditation status in February 2013. This accreditation status remains in effect until February 2021.</p>

<p>Social Work (continued)</p>	<p>In February 2012, the Council on Social Work Education granted reaffirmation of accreditation of the Master of Social Work Program. The program remains in accredited status until 2020. In October 2014, Significant Program Changes reports were submitted to the Council on Social Work Education for expansion of the Master of Social Work degree program offerings at Lorain County Community College and Lakeland Community College sites. No further action is necessary until the reaffirmation of accreditation report is due in 2020.</p>
<p><b>Theater</b> National Association of Schools of Theater (NAST)</p>	<p>The NAST reaccreditation process will begin Fall 2017 with the first phase of the self-study. The on-site visit is tentatively scheduled for Spring 2019.</p>

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS UPDATE  
SEPTEMBER 2017**

**1. Undergraduate Program Development:**

**Undergraduate Program Actions Requiring Board of Trustees Action and/or Notification or Approval by the Ohio Department of Higher Education**

Since the last set of YSU Board of Trustees meetings, the Ohio Department of Higher Education has approved the following undergraduate program changes:

- YSU received approval to offer a baccalaureate-level program leading to the Ohio Early Childhood (PK-3) and Early Childhood Intervention Specialist Dual License.

**2. Graduate Program Development:**

*A new proposal (Program Development Plan or PDP) for graduate programs must be approved internally by YSU's Graduate Curriculum Committee and Graduate Council before it is presented to the Board of Trustees Academic Quality and Student Success Committee as an information item. The PDP is then forwarded to the Chancellor's Council on Graduate Studies (CCGS) for comment, and a full program proposal is prepared, in response if there are no serious objections. The full proposal must be reviewed by the internal curriculum process and then go to the Board of Trustees for action and approval. The proposal then goes to CCGS for a second review and in-person presentation. If CCGS recommends the program for approval—and after YSU Board of Trustees approval—it goes to the Chancellor's staff, which makes a recommendation to the Chancellor based on CCGS review and public comments. The Chancellor's signature is the final step of the approval process. Board of Trustees approval is required prior to any final decision by the Chancellor's office.*

- The full proposal for a **Master of Science in Nursing Option for Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner** program was approved by CCGS.
- The change in degree name from Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Communication to **Master of Arts in Professional Communication** was approved by CCGS.
- The PDP for the **Ph.D. in Health Science** degree program will be reviewed by campus committees in September.