



A Research Leader

Creighton University is making life-enhancing discoveries in combating cancer, osteoporosis, hearing impairment and bacterial resistance.

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About Us



The Office for Academic Excellence and Assessment (AEA) at Creighton University provides ongoing support and resources to enhance teacher effectiveness and student learning.

To learn more about faculty development programming, assessment, course design, student learning processes and/or effective teaching methods, or the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL), contact [Mary Ann Danielson](#) at 402.280.2535.

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UPDATE ON SERVICE-LEARNING

FROM THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND ASSESSMENT



MAGIS CLINIC A POINT OF LIGHT

The Nebraska Governor's Points of Light Award was given to Creighton medical students and their Magis Clinic at a ceremony with Lt. Gov. Rick Sheehy and First Lady Sally Ganem at the state capitol building in Lincoln. The award honors those who have made a commitment to connect Americans through service to help meet critical needs in their communities. [Download the media release.](#)

The Magis Clinic is dedicated to: providing the standard of care to men and women of all ages and backgrounds; cooperating with other healthcare providers to maintain continuity of care; instilling in patients a sense of value for one's own health; and fostering in students a lifelong commitment to service.

The Magis Clinic, with assistance from their partners, provides free healthcare and referrals to existing community services. It is the only free medical clinic in Omaha open on Saturdays that treats homeless men, women, children and the medically uninsured. If you are a physician or a Creighton medical student interested in volunteering at the Magis Clinic, please [visit the website](#).

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATES



SERVICE HONOR ROLL

Institutional data for the 2013 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll is currently being collected. Deadline for data collection is Monday, Nov. 19. Faculty teaching service-learning courses are asked to contact [Mary Ann Danielson](#), 402.280.2535.



PROGRAM SPOTLIGHTS

Continuing our series highlighting the programs in which our students have participated, featured this month are students committed to community service and philanthropy:

ATHLETICS: Long hours of studying and grueling practice/travel schedules characterize the student-athlete experience. At Creighton, our student-athletes also contribute to a number of service and outreach activities — from helping rehab houses with Josh Dotzler and the Abide Network (August 2012) to visiting sick children or reading to students. Last year, 236 student-athletes volunteered over 6,200 hours of service. Way to go Jays!

GREEK LIFE: Since 1921, Greek chapters have played an active role on campus. Currently, more than 30 percent of the undergraduate student population at Creighton is involved in a Greek organization, which as a percentage is among the highest in the country. Leadership, philanthropic work, volunteerism, health and community are among the tenets that Greek organizations uphold. Greek organizations, much like Jesuit institutions, emphasize care of the individual and serving the less fortunate. A special thank you to the 1,294 students participating in more than 17,500 hours of service last year.

METROPOLITAN COALITION FOR SERVICE-LEARNING NEWS



2012 THEME: REFUGEES

Creighton University is a member of the Metro Area Service-Learning Coalition. The 2012 theme is "Refugees."

The Coalition seeks to: (1) increase collaboration and share selected service-learning programming among nine metro-area universities; (2) offer coordinated programming on a selected topic each semester; and (3) bring university and college resources to bear in educating students and the public about selected significant local, national and international issues.

CAMPUS EVENTS



PROGRAM AUDIT

Creighton University Community Relations Network is conducting an audit to give the University a better understanding of the scope of community programs at Creighton. The initial phase of the community relations audit was completed in November and December 2011. The results of this second phase will inform our campus efforts. If you have questions, contact [Chris Rodgers](#). If you were selected for the audit, a reminder: the due date for completion is Tuesday, Nov. 27.

PEACE & JUSTICE EVENTS



Monday, Nov. 12

– NETwork Against Malaria will be selling handmade jewelry to benefit those in Africa who need bed nets. Location: Center for Service and Justice

– Honors Program Panel: Join John O'Keefe and students in free enterprise for a discussion on where social justice interacts with society. Location/Time: Harper Center, room 302B, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

– Be a voice for change! Join the CCSJ's advocacy team for a letter-writing campaign about hunger. Location/Time: Center for Service and Justice, 6-7:30 p.m.



THANKSGIVING HELP

Creighton Campus Ministry, St. John's parish and the Jesuit community are gearing up for the annual Thanksgiving dinner for Creighton students who are not going home for Thanksgiving. Your help is needed in donating a salad, a pie or by roasting a turkey. If you are able to help, please contact [Marie Hilton](#), x3830, by Sunday, Nov. 18. The annual turkey dinner with all the fixings will be served on Wednesday, Nov. 21, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in lower St. John's Church.

CONFERENCE NOTES



NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 24th Annual [National Service-Learning Conference](#), hosted by the National Youth Leadership Council in partnership with Earth Force, will be held March 13-15, 2013, at the Colorado Convention Center.

