

PLUGGED IN



ASHLAND UNIVERSITY COMMUTER STUDENT NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Fall 2005 Semester!

Welcome back to all the returning students and for the new students, I'm glad you have chosen Ashland University. My name is Jennifer Washock, and I am the new Assistant Director of Student Activities. One of my responsibilities is to assist the commuter student population. I hope to help you stay informed and connected to AU, even when you are not on campus. I look forward to seeing you on campus and as an active member of the AU community. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns by phone at 419-289-5312, via email at jwashock@ashland.edu or just stop by the Student Activities Office on the 2nd floor of the Student Center.

Keeping you Connected

Plugged In is the commuter newsletter dedicated to serving commuter students by providing Ashland University news via monthly emails and newsletters. You can also access the commuter web page at <http://www.ashland.edu/stuaff/PluggedIn/main.html> for upcoming events, campus directories, location of campus offices, and student organization listings. Plugged In is a way for you as a commuter to become better connected to what is going on at AU. Just send an e-mail to jwashock@ashland.edu and you will be added to the list.

So get plugged in at AU!

Get Involved on Campus!

Ashland University is full of opportunities to become actively involved in various clubs and organizations. Check out the online Student Organization Directory at www3.ashland.edu/campuslife/stuact/dir.php or stop by the student activities office located on the 2nd floor of the Student Center.

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Your AU Eagle GroupWise E-mail Account

Get "plugged in" with the AU Commuter Listserve!

To get online, go to <https://gw.ashland.edu> to get to the AU GroupWise e-mail system. Enter your username and your seven-digit ID number. If you don't know your user name, you can look it up on the Eagleweb at <http://eagleweb.ashland.edu> under Search E-mail and User Directories. (Be sure to write down your user name, as you will need it later in the process.) Once you log in you can change your password in the Options menu found at the top, middle of the page to any password you like.

If you prefer to use your current e-mail account and not your AU account, you can forward your AU GroupWise account by clicking on the Options menu at the top of the page again. Go to the Rules option and under Type click Forward in the drop down menu. Click Create. Under the Define Optional Condition bar, click the far left drop down menu (by the word "if") and select "To". "Contains" will pop up automatically in the next drop down menu, and finally type your AU e-mail address in the last box (the username entered at the start of GroupWise followed by @ashland.edu). Under the Define Action bar, in the "To" box, type the e-mail address you would like to forward your mail to and then click "Save" at the bottom of the page.

For help or questions contact the Ashland University Help Desk at ext. 5405 or e-mail at help@ashland.edu.

Emergency Information

- If you have someone who may need to contact you in an **emergency** situation during business hours, call Safety Services at (419)-289-5766.
- For evening and weekend classes, callers will need to provide class schedule information.
- If you think that classes could be affected due to the weather, listen to the campus radio station, WRDL 88.9 FM, WYHT 105.3 FM, or WMAN 1400 AM for class cancellations.
- For more information, call the Public Relations Office at (419)-289-5006 between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM.

Need an AU ID?

See the Eagle Card Office on the 1st Floor of Founder's Hall

GET YOUR AU PLANNER TODAY!

AU Student Planners are available in the bookstore for \$5.50.

Not only will it help you keep your classes organized it also has great information such as events, frequently called numbers, and involvement opportunities.

Using Your Student Center

Let the Hawkins-Conard Student Center serve as your home away from home during your time at Ashland University. The Student Center offers a variety of different services, including lounges, lockers, cozy study areas, a fitness center, game room, and computers.

Lockers are available free of charge to all commuter students, just stop by the Safety Services window on the 1st floor of the Student Center to register for a locker.

Take advantage of the Commuter Lounge in the Hawkin-Conard Student Center. You can study or relax there while you are on campus. The lounge has a TV, couches, and a small kitchen. It is a great place to meet other students and commuters. Scattered throughout the building are the other study and meeting areas.

If you need a computer and access to the Internet, stop by the Gameroom from

8 AM to 12 AM and the Safety Services window from 12 AM to 8 AM to check out a wireless laptop. These laptops allow you instant Internet access anywhere within the Student Center. Computer printers are placed in various lounges for printing.



Computing On Campus

Wireless Laptop Checkout Points & Hours

HCSC (Game Room)

Monday—Friday: 8 am to 12 am

(Between 12 am & 8 am laptops are

available from the Safety Services window.)

Library

Monday—Thursday	7:45 am —11:00 pm
Friday	7:45 am — 8:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am—5:00 pm
Sunday	3:00 pm—11:00 pm

Patterson 200

Monday— Friday	8:00 am—10:00 pm
Saturday	8:00 am—5:00 pm
Sunday	2:00 pm—10:00 pm

The 2005-2006 Student Handbook is now online.

The 2005–2006 Student Handbook includes critical information for University Students including most university regulations (code of conduct). The Ashland University Student Handbook is a document intended to communicate various policies, procedures, responsibilities and opportunities affecting the lives of Ashland University students. Students are responsible for all published University policies including those not listed in this handbook. Please visit

<http://www.ashland.edu/stuaff/handbook/index.html> to find out more information and to view the student Handbook.

Student Center Services

The following is a list of the offices found in the Student Center, the times they are open, and services they offer.

Student Activities

Mon.—Fri. 8 AM – 5 PM

Offering AU students a variety of events throughout the year. The office includes the Center of Community Service and the Office of Greek Affairs.

www.ashland.edu/stuaff/stdaff.html

Recreational Services

Mon.—Fri. 9 AM – 4 PM

Coordinates intramural sports, special events, and club sports.

www.ashland.edu/intramural/intramural.html

Fitness Center

6 AM – 11 PM

Stay healthy with the Fitness Center's treadmills, elliptical machines, stair machines, and bikes.

Game Room

8 AM – 1 AM

Have some fun playing pool, darts, ping-pong, or foosball.

Eagles Nest

7:30 AM – 10 PM

Offering students a variety of sandwiches, grill items, and daily specials.

Safety Services

Open 24 hours a day.

<http://www.ashland.edu/stuaff/safety/safety.html>

AU Bookstore

Mon. – Thur. 8 AM – 7 PM

Fri. – 8 AM – 5 PM

Look to the bookstore for your books, supplies, and AU apparel.

www.ashland.edu/bookstore/bookhome.html

AU Health Center

Mon.—Fri. 8 AM – 5 PM

Feeling under the weather? Stop by the Health Center.

<http://www.ashland.edu/stuaff/Health/health.htm>

Career Development Center (CDC)

Mon. – Fri. 8 AM – 5 PM

The CDC is available to help students with their resume, finding a job, or looking for an internship.
<http://www.ashland.edu/cardev/cdc/index.html>

Student Affairs

Mon.—Fri. 8 AM – 5 PM

The office includes Counseling Services, Commuter Services, Judicial Affairs, and the Multicultural Office.

www.ashland.edu/stuaff/stdaff.html

A Message from the Center for Community Service

The Center for Community Service invites you to get involved and make a difference!

There are many one-time or ongoing volunteer opportunities to accommodate your schedule. Become a PROUD mentor and get the chance to work one-on-one with an at-risk youth from the Ashland City Schools or Adopt-A-Grandparent at Good Shepard Nursing Home.

Upcoming events in September include "Adopt-A-Waterway" and an Urban Plunge. Canoe down the scenic Mohican River on Saturday, September 10 while collecting trash and having fun with friends. Take the Urban Plunge on Saturday, September 17 and travel to Cleveland to help The City Mission with their annual Fall Food Run to help feed the homeless.

Please feel free to stop in at the Center for Community Service on the second floor of the HCSC anytime or visit us online at www.ashland.edu/commserv.

Homecoming 2005

Monday, October 3rd

3:00 pm Rec. Services:
Whiffleball Tournament, Quad

Tuesday, October 4th

SPIRIT DAY
Wear Your AU Colors!
Window Painting Competition

Wednesday, October 5th

3:00 pm Photo Puzzles
Jones' Terrace
4:30 pm RHA: Banana Splittin'
Picnic & Festivities
Founder's Lawn
5:00pm Coronation &
Presentation of Court
Jones' Terrace

Friday, October 6th

8:00 pm Back By Popular
Demand stars of "Whose Line is it Anyway" Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood,
(Tickets available at AU Box Office)

Saturday, October 7th

10:00 am Homecoming Parade
(Begins at Home Hardware)

1:00pm Football vs. Northern Michigan, Community Stadium

6:30 pm CAB: Homecoming Dinner (reservations required)

8:00 pm CAB: Homecoming Dance

Recreational Services

Fall 2005 Intramural Events

Tennis Tournament

Entry Date—September 2

Play Begins—September 6

Flag Football League

Entry Date—September 9

Play Begins—September 11

Kickball Tournament

Entry Date—September 16

Play Begins—September 19

Bowling (one day)

Entry Date—September 16

Play Begins—September 19

Golf (2 person scramble-one day)

Entry Date—September 28

Play Begins—September 29

Indoor Soccer

Entry Date—October 14

Play Begins—October 17

Volleyball

Entry Date—October 14

Play Begins—October 17

Billiards (8 Ball tournament)

Entry Date—October 28

Play Begins—October 31

Table Tennis

Entry Date—November 11

Play Begins—November 14

Holiday Basketball

Entry Date—November 22

Play Begins—November 28

Fall Special Events

Orientation 3 on 3 Basketball: Aug. 31st @ 3:30 pm, Kilhefner Courts

Texas Hold'em Card Party: Entries Due: Sept. 2nd
Play ONLY Sept. 3rd @ 8 pm, Eagles' Nest

White Water Rafting Day Trip – Sept. 17th
Depart campus at 9 am, Cost \$20, Reserve a space
with the Director of Rec. Services

Fall Softball Classic: Entries Due: Sept. 22nd, Play
begins: Sept. 23-24th @ 5:00 pm @ Brookside West

Any questions contact
Sean Ries at 419-289-5440.



Registrar's Calendar

August

August 28th Non-traditional/ Transfer Student Orientation
August 29th Classes Begin

September

September 1 December Graduates Begin App.
September 5 Labor Day (no Classes)
September 6 Last day to add classes
September 15 President's Convocation 11:00 am
September 19 Last day to drop class "W"
September 20 Begin WP/WF grading period

October

October 3 December Graduation Apps. Due
October 6 Last day to change advisor
October 8 Homecoming 2005
October 10 New advisor assignments for returning students posted in mailroom
October 14 Spring Schedule available in Web advisor
October 17 Second half PE classes begin
October 19 Mid-Semester grades due 4:00 pm

November

November 1 Sp '05 Graduation Apps. Due
November 1-2 Senior Registration
November 3-4 Junior Registration
November 8-10 Sophomore Registration
November 15-18 Freshmen Registration
November 19 Last Day to drop "WP"
November 22 All drops graded "WF"
November 23 Thanksgiving Break
(after evening classes end)
November 29 Classes Resume

December

December 10 Classes End
December 13-16 Final Exam Week