MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome back to another school year! Yet again, we’ve had a busy summer here in the Office of Admissions, and we hope our changes will help us better serve you and your students.

While sad to bid farewell to some of our Admissions Counselors, we’re thrilled to welcome three new AC’s to our staff: Aaron Rutledge, Kaitlyn Lindsey, and Ryan Copeland. In addition, Heather Briley, our former Assistant Director for Recruitment, has left our office. In her place, we’re excited to welcome Moana Hansen—formerly one of our admissions counselors—into that position. Check our newsletter to find out if your school’s representative has changed.

In addition to new AC’s, we’ve welcomed a number of other staff to our team, including Emily Edmonston, Associate Director of Recruitment; Brian Stelbotsky, Assistant Director of International Recruitment; and Teri Clawson, Associate Director in Operations. As I write this, Emily and Brian are in Incheon, South Korea, taking part in the initial opening of classes on the University of Utah Asia Campus. We’re thrilled to be expanding the reach and influence of the U and the corresponding opportunities it offers our students on both campuses.
A number of other changes that may effect your students are included in this newsletter. I encourage you to review it closely. We hope, as well, that you’re planning on joining us for some one-on-one time at the annual Counselor Conference in October (find details on how to register in this newsletter).

In the meantime, remember that we’re here to serve you and your students—please feel free to contact your admissions counselor or our main office with questions at any time. And best wishes for another wonderful year.

Matt López, Director

WELCOME TO NEW STAFF / FIND YOUR COUNSELOR
All territories (in-state and out-of-state), can be found at admissions.utah.edu/mycounselor. Below are all the in-state territories for our team of Admissions Counselors this year:

Jan Bents: Beaver, Millard, Piute, Sevier, Tintic, Tooele, & Wayne. HSUP.
Brian Best: Kane, Iron, & Washington
Ryan Copeland: Alpine, Juab, Nebo, North Sanpete, Provo, & South Sanpete

Moana Hansen: Morgan, Park City, and Wasatch
Patrick Jones: Salt Lake City
Jessica Lee: Jordan
Kaitlyn Lindsey: Box Elder, Cache, Davis, Logan, Ogden, Rich, & Weber
Mateo Remsburg: Canyons
Aaron Rutledge: Carbon, Daggett, Duchesne, Emery, Garfield, Grand, Granite, Murray, San Juan, & Uintah

ASIA CAMPUS
The University of Utah Asia Campus officially welcomed its inaugural class on September 1. Three undergraduate degrees are currently offered at the South Korean campus: social work, psychology, and communications. The U is working in partnership with other universities as part of the Incheon Global Campus University Alliance. It’s expected that the Asia Campus will offer additional degrees in the future. As part of their program, students attending the Asia Campus will spend one year on campus at the Utah Campus. Learn more at asiatucampus.utah.edu/.

PLAN TO FINISH
The University of Utah has instituted a new plan to help students complete their degree in four years. Plan to Finish offers greater flexibility in class scheduling, as well as offering resources and alternatives to help students take 30 credit hours each academic year. Learn more at plantofinish.utah.edu.

MAJOR EXPO
Come join us for an exciting event! The 10th Annual Major Exploration EXPO will be held on Wednesday, September 24th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Approximately 80 departments, agencies, and services will be in the A. Ray Olpin Union Ballroom to help students explore majors and design a meaningful experience at the U! Information about majors, minors and certificates, as well as research, study abroad programs, student support services, and involvement activities will be represented. By exploring all the possibilities, students can learn how to design the best degree to meet their individual needs. In addition to an academic major, a minor, certificate, and experiences such as internships, learning abroad, research, service, and leadership can make a student’s degree more unique and marketable. For more info, check out our website: advising.utah.edu/majors/expo.php.

SCIENCE DAY AT THE U
Do you have students interested in science and mathematics? Science Day at the U is a great way for them to get some hands-on exposure to a variety of the sciences. Students attend science workshops and...
experience first hand the exciting research and educational opportunities available at the University of Utah. The event is Saturday, November 15 from 8 am to 1:30 pm. Registration begins in October. For more information or to register visit science.utah.edu/events/science-day.php.

FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE LECTURE SERIES
Students and teachers interested in science will love the University of Utah’s Frontiers of Science lecture series. Frontiers of Science brings leading scientists from around the world to Salt Lake to share their research with the community. Topics in the 2014/15 series include the Curiosity Mars Rover, the dangers of sugar, and the evolution of Earth’s atmosphere. Frontiers of Science is held on the U’s campus and goes from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Lectures are scheduled for September 24, November 6, December 4, and March 26. For more information, please visit science.utah.edu/events/frontiers.php.

ANNUAL COUNSELOR CONFERENCE
Don’t miss your chance to join other counselors for a morning on the U of U campus. Meet our staff and get all the pertinent updates for your students interested in the U. The Conference will be held in the Guest House, and registration is free. Learn more and register at admissions.utah.edu/counselors/conference.php.

CONNECTING U DAYS
This fall we are hosting five Connecting U Days events for prospective University of Utah students. These events provide a “snapshot” of the U via an abbreviated campus tour, info session about admissions, info on the financial aid and scholarship processes, as well as first-year student programs. It’s a great preview to life as a college student at the U. This year, our general events will be held:
Saturday, September 13
Saturday, October 4
Saturday, November 1
Saturday, November 15
To learn more and register, visit admissions.utah.edu/events/connecting-u-days.php.

In addition, we’re holding one Connecting U Day specifically for high achieving students on:
Saturday, September 20
Students can register for that event at admissions.utah.edu/events/connecting-u-days.php. In conjunction with that, the Honors College is providing an info session directly following the event.

2015 APPLICATION NOW OPEN
The newly revised application for admission at the U has just been unveiled. The application, which is completely online, is easier to read and streamlined to make the process simpler and more convenient for your students. A revised login makes starting an application effortless, and the “save” function allows students to leave and return, completing the application at their own speed. The December 1 priority deadline for application to the U is fast approaching. Students who submit an application by the priority deadline will also be automatically considered for University merit and diversity scholarships. The application is found at proxy0.sys.utah.edu/uofu/stu/admission/#/login.

HONORS COLLEGE
The Honors College continues to be more and more competitive. They have some advice for you, as a counselor, as your brightest students are considering an Honors degree. Learn more by reading their letter to counselors at admissions.utah.edu/counselors/Honors-College-letter-to-counselors.pdf. Keep in mind that your students should be applying to the Honors College by the November 1 priority deadline. The Honors College application is fully integrated with the general admissions application of the U of U, which is available at proxy0.sys.utah.edu/uofu/stu/admission/#/login.

CAMPUS & SATURDAY VISITS
School has begun again, and
students are gearing up for their big college choice. Campus visits are one of the best ways a student can determine the fit of any school, and we encourage all interested students to take the time to tour our campus. We offer two tours daily at 10:00 am and 1:00 pm, Monday through Friday. In addition, we offer a tour one Saturday each month:
  September 20 at 1:00 pm
  October 4, at 1:00 pm
  November 15 at 1:00 pm
  December 6
Each visit includes a campus tour, an info session with an Admissions Counselor, and a visit to Housing. Students can sign up online at admissions.utah.edu/visit/campus-visit.php.

CREATE A MY U PAGE
Encourage your students to create a My U Page by visiting admissions.utah.edu/myu-page. The My U Page is one of the best ways for a student to get more personalized information about the programs and majors that are most interesting to them. In addition, it offers helpful functions, like the application checklist which tracks items to complete, and contact info for each student’s personal admissions counselor.

CAMPUS UPDATES
Our campus continues to grow by leaps and bounds! Despite the occasional inconvenience of construction, we’re thrilled to be building and opening new facilities all the time at the U. Currently the major following projects underway include:

George S. Eccles Student Life Center - December 2014 - this building will provide multiple gyms, climbing walls, courts, a track, dance studios, an indoor pool, and large areas for cardio and weight training. It will also house meeting space, food services, and a new home for Outdoor Rec.

Ray & The Noorda Oral Health Sciences Building - December 2014 - This building will house the newly-founded dentistry program at the U. The program will boast a dental clinic, oral surgery, simulation and technique labs, as well as administrative space, classrooms, and research space.

S.J. Quinney College of Law - September 2015 - The new law school will offer additional and updated space for classrooms, conferences, a library, and administrative space.

Lassonde Studios - Summer 2016 - The Lassonde Studios will be home for student entrepreneurs and innovators. The innovative design combines open space, known as “the garage”, where students can freely interact and test their ideas, along with 412 residence spaces where students will live. The Studios is modeled after successful companies like Google in the hopes of encouraging collaboration across majors and interests to build and launch ideas.

Gary & Ann Crocker Science Center - Fall 2016 - This conversion of the George Thomas Building on President’s Circle will provide space for the Cell and Genome Research Center labs.

Other current projects include additional parking structures, the Basketball Training Facility, and upgrades/expansions to current buildings. To learn more about all these projects, as well as recently completed projects, visit facilities.utah.edu/projects.
CHANGES IN SCHOLARSHIPS
The office of Financial Aid & Scholarships split over the summer into two separate offices:

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In addition, the scholarship process for all U of U merit and diversity scholarships is now included in the application process. All students applying by the December 1 priority deadline for admission will be automatically considered for these scholarships. Please note as well that the Honors College application is also included in the admissions application.

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER
3: Arts Bash
13: Connecting U Day (general)
16: LGBTQIA* Student Welcome
19: Redfest
19-27: Homecoming
20: Connecting U Day (high achieving)
20: Saturday Hours
24: Major Expo
24: Frontiers of Science lecture
26-28: Parent & Family Weekend

4: Saturday Hours
10: Counselor Conference
12-19: Fall Break

NOVEMBER
1: Honors College Priority Application Date
1: Connecting U Day (General)
6: Frontiers of Science lecture
11: Veteran’s Day
15: Connecting U Day (General)
15: Saturday Hours
15: Science Day at the U
27-28: Thanksgiving Break

HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY? Please don’t hesitate to contact Holly Cox with feedback or questions at hcox@sa.utah.edu or (801) 585-6720. If you want to opt out of the monthly Counsel With U Newsletter, please email Holly.