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The Newsletter for Marshall University
Faculty and Staff

October 25, 2023

Marshall designated National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education

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Marshall University has been designated a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education by the National Security Agency (NSA) and the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA). The designation extends through 2028 and was recognized at the National Cybersecurity Education Colloquium last month at Moraine Valley Community College near Chicago. Marshall President Brad D. Smith; Dr. David Dampier, director of Marshall's Institute for Cyber Security; and Associate Professor Bill Gardner, Marshall's NSA CAE coordinator, represented Marshall at the event.

"This designation puts the NSA and other federal agencies' stamp of approval on Marshall University's cybersecurity programs and helps to attract students to fill the cybersecurity shortage of skilled cybersecurity labor that currently exists," said Gardner, who is also director of Marshall's cyber forensics and security undergraduate program.

The CAE-CD designation is awarded to accredited academic institutions that offer cybersecurity degrees and/or certificates at the associate, bachelor's and graduate levels. To qualify for the designation, programs must meet rigorous requirements by the National Security Agency and demonstrate their commitment to producing cybersecurity professionals that will reduce the vulnerabilities in the national infrastructure.

"Achieving the Center of Academic Excellence recognition from the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security is a testament to the quality of the academic programs at Marshall University," said Dampier, who is also dean of Marshall's College of Engineering and Computer Sciences. "This recognition will bring Marshall many opportunities for additional funding and recognition, especially for scholarship opportunities for our students."

The NSA CAE-CD designation has been a longtime goal, said John Sammons, associate director of Marshall's Institute for Cyber Security.

“It’s a reflection of a lot of hard work by our students and faculty,” Sammons said. “It speaks directly to the quality of the courses we teach and the graduates the program produces. Our grads have found success in a variety of state and federal agencies as well as the private sector. This designation will take our program to another level.”

The National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity (NCAE-C) program collaborates with colleges and universities to develop a cybersecurity educational program that establishes high cybersecurity curriculum standards for academic excellence; incorporates competency development among students and faculty; involves community outreach and professional development; integrates cybersecurity with other academic disciplines; and pursues solutions cybersecurity education challenges.

NCAE-C is managed by NSA’s National Cryptologic School. Federal partners include the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)/National Initiative on Cybersecurity Education (NICE), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Department of Defense Office of the Chief Information Officer (DoD-CIO) and U.S. Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM).

It has over 400 institutions across the United States with designations in Cyber Defense (CAE-CD), Cyber Research (CAE-R), and Cyber Operations (CAE-CO).

“The NSA CAE-CD designation recognizes Marshall as a critical part of the solution through interdisciplinary cybersecurity education, research and workforce development,” said Dr. Josh Brunty, director of Marshall’s cyber forensic and security graduate program. “This designation also empowers our faculty and staff to make the most of our collective cyber expertise, enabling us to effectively train future generations of cyber experts.”

For more information about Marshall’s Institute for Cyber Security and its cyber programs, visit www.marshall.edu/ics.

Marshall welcomes 100 Braxton County eighth-graders for Future West Virginia Workers tour

OCTOBER 25, 2023

Marshall is launching an initiative to introduce young people to thriving industries in the Mountain State and teach them about career opportunities and professional pathways in these fields.

The Future West Virginia Workers tour kicked off today, Wednesday, Oct. 25, when 100 Braxton County Middle School eighth-graders visited the university’s Bill Noe Flight School in Charleston and the Marshall Advanced Manufacturing Center in South Charleston. Students had

the opportunity to talk with professionals working in the aviation and manufacturing industries and students pursuing careers in these thriving sectors. They also received a firsthand look at the advanced technologies employed by these industries.

“Over the past decade, many business-friendly policies have been enacted, spurring economic development and careers,” said Sara Payne Scarbro, associate vice president of government relations said. “These Future West Virginia Workers segments help us flip the script, highlighting the economic transformation taking place within West Virginia’s borders while also denouncing the misconception that there aren’t enough jobs. Opportunity is all around. We, at Marshall, want to show students that with the right specialized training, they can have a great career right here in West Virginia.”

Aviation and advanced manufacturing are two of the strategic focus areas identified by the university as pillars of excellence.

“Marshall University is committed to providing solutions for the aviation and manufacturing industries by providing in-demand, on-demand industry skill sets that prepare our students for rewarding careers,” said Brandon Dennison, vice president of economic and workforce development. “Aviation and advanced manufacturing are just two of Marshall’s industry focus areas with the others being entrepreneurship, health care, advanced energy and cyber/forensics.”

Scarbro said additional Future West Virginia Worker tours will focus on the other pillars of excellence as Marshall redoubles efforts to introduce young people to career opportunities in fields that will allow them to find well-paying jobs here in West Virginia.



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Open Textbook Faculty Workshop and Paid Review

Thursday, Oct. 26
10:00 - 10:50 a.m.
Drinko 349

Larry Sheret from Marshall Libraries, and Marty Laubach from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology present the case for switching from a commercial textbook to a free and open textbook. Any faculty member who attends the workshop and submits a review will be awarded a \$250 stipend.

Register for the workshop by Oct. 25 at <https://open.umn.edu/network/workshops/open-textbook-workshop-paid-review-10-26-2023>

For additional information, please contact Larry Sheret at sheret@marshall.edu
www.marshall.edu



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This interactive simulation is a great opportunity to **“step into the shoes”** of a victim of dating violence. Participants can choose to walk through the simulation on their own or in small groups, and may work through the scenario at their own pace.

Please contact **Sara Blevins O'Toole**, blevins@branchesdvs.org if you have any questions. You can also reach out to **Jessica Rhodes, Title IX Coordinator**, for more information at jessica.rhodes@marshall.edu or titleix@marshall.edu.



Prevention Empowerment Partnership (PEP) Partners with Local Law Enforcement and the DEA to Collect Unwanted Medication

OCTOBER 25, 2023

The Prevention Empowerment Partnership (PEP), an initiative of Marshall University Research Corporation and the Center of Excellence for Recovery, will host the National Drug Take Back Day in partnership with the Huntington Police Department, Cabell County Sheriff's Department and Marshall University School of Pharmacy.

The National Drug Take-Back Day is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the following locations: Walgreen's, 111 4th Ave., Huntington; Drug Emporium, 3 East Mall Rd., Barboursville; Huntington Police Department, 675 10th St., Huntington; and QRT office, 1133 20th St., Huntington.

The National Drug Take-Back Day aids in the prevention of medication abuse and theft by ridding homes of potentially dangerous medications that are expired, unused, and unwanted. Sites cannot accept personal care items, needles or sharps, liquid injectables, illegal drugs, thermometers and other mercury items, hydrogen peroxide or inhalers. The service is free and anonymous; no questions asked.

At the 2023 spring event, Americans turned in 332 tons of prescription drugs at nearly 5,000 sites operated by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) in conjunction with 4,497 state and local law enforcement partners. Overall, the DEA and its partners have taken in over 17.3 million pounds of unused medications from Drug Take Back events.

The initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's National Survey on Drug Use and Health shows year-after-year that most misused and abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including someone else's medication being stolen from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—pose potential safety and health hazards.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the October 28th Take Back Day event, go to www.DEATakeBack.com or contact Angela Saunders, director of PEP, at 304-552-3528.

Marshall to host Tri-State Marching Championships

OCTOBER 25, 2023

Marshall will host 31 high school marching bands Saturday, Oct. 28, for the annual Tri-State Marching Championships. The event begins at 11:30 a.m. at Joan C. Edwards Stadium and is presented by Marshall's School of Music and marching band, the Marching Thunder, in conjunction with its student band and service fraternity, Kappa Kappa Psi.

"Typically, this is a late season show, but this year, it seems to be the end-of-season show for most groups, making it a bit of a season grand finale. And the Joan is a great place to have this type of event," said Chris Schletter, director of athletic bands at Marshall. "Highlighting the marching arts is a great opportunity to get many, many students on campus."

The show begins at 11:30 a.m. and will conclude after the award ceremony at 9 p.m. The 31 high school bands that are participating include one band from Kentucky, three bands from Ohio, and 27 from West Virginia.

"Some are traveling over three hours to be here," Schletter said. "This is a great event because it highlights so many high schools in the area and you get to see some very creative marching band programs, telling some great stories on the field while playing some wonderful music. These are not your grandfather's marching bands! This event is open to the public and is a great experience for everyone."

Tickets can be purchased on-site at Gate A for \$12, with kids 5 and under admitted for free. Programs highlighting each high school are \$2 and can be purchased with a ticket or at the Kappa Kappa Psi table. Concession stands will be open.

"This is a great opportunity for Marshall because we are bringing nearly 1,500 students to campus, with their families, to enjoy our amazing facilities at an event where they get to display their hard work and dedication to the musical arts," Schletter said. "This is also an event at which their art is greatly appreciated. The Marching Thunder is made up of about 70% non-music majors, meaning the majority of the students in our own marching band do it because they love it."

"This means that the Marching Thunder is one of the largest, if not the largest, student organization to recruit at such a level," Schletter continued. "We brought 250 students to campus during Band Day in September, we'll have nearly 1,500 students here for the Tri-State Marching Championships, and we will host a high school honor band in February that will bring about 350 to 400 students to campus then as well. We don't simply recruit for the Marching Thunder — we are recruiting for Marshall University."

To learn more about music programs at Marshall University, visit www.marshall.edu/music and to learn more about Marshall's bands, visit www.marshall.edu/band.



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Kinder named assistant director of development and alumni engagement at School of Medicine

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The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine has named Amanda Kinder, M.B.A., assistant director of development and alumni engagement.

Kinder brings to the School of Medicine a wide range of project management experience including work for nonprofits, state and federal government agencies and the local school system. She helped create the Cabell County Substance Abuse Prevention Partnership (CCSAPP) through United Way of the River Cities. She has also worked for the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, the U.S.

Census Bureau and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection. Most recently, Kinder provided services for WV Birth to Three, a statewide system of services and support for children with delays in development or qualifying medical diagnoses, including autism spectrum disorder, offered to families at no cost.

In addition to her work on commissioned projects, Kinder has served as a member of the Cabell County Schools Comprehensive Educational Facilities Plan Steering Committee and chaired her Local School Improvement Council, and with significant grant writing and fundraising endeavors to help create and improve facilities at local Title I schools. She is also an active volunteer with First Stage Theatre and the Girl Scouts of Black Diamond Council.

Kinder holds bachelor's and master's degrees in business from the University of West Georgia.

As the assistant director of development and alumni engagement, Kinder will work closely with Linda S. Holmes, the medical school's director of development and alumni affairs, to engage with alumni and friends, increase major gifts for the school of medicine and other development initiatives.

Kinder may be reached by e-mail at adkins68@marshall.edu or by phone at 304-691-1757.

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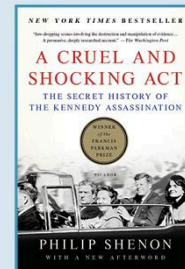


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