

AlumniConnections

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Alumni News



Professor Emeritus Richard L. Peterson Continues to Inspire New Generations of Montclair Students

Dr. Richard L. Peterson has taught and mentored thousands of students pursuing careers in management information systems, helping the University's programs adapt as technology evolved. With his commitment of an estate gift, he is memorializing his career while demonstrating his admiration for Montclair's students.

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Upcoming Events

July 21

[New York Red Bulls II vs. Orlando City](#)

July 22

[Graduate Chemistry Programs Virtual Information Session](#)

July 23

[Mathematical Modeling in Geometry](#)

July 23

[MA in Social Research & Analysis and the Certificates in Customer & User Experience Research \(CX/UX Research\) and Data C](#)

July 28

[New York Red Bulls II at Toronto FC II](#)

July 30

[MBA, Dual Degrees & Graduate Certificates Virtual Information Session](#)

August 5

[MS Analytics Virtual Information Session](#)

View the [full calendar of events](#) and check out some [online resources](#).

**Red Hawk Open
Monday, September 30**



Homecoming 2024: We look forward to seeing you!

Join us on Saturday, September 28, for Homecoming 2024. We invite you back to campus for a day filled with fun, food and football! Start your day with a visit to the Alumni Welcome Tent in front of Cole Hall. Check in, pick up your free alumni gift and learn about the day's activities.

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University News



Montclair Awarded Prestigious Carnegie Leadership Designation for Public Service Efforts



Join us on the links this fall at the Upper Montclair Country Club in Clifton. The day includes lunch, golf, refreshments and dinner reception. Prizes awarded to our first, second, third and most honest teams! Test your skill for the closest to the pin, longest drive and beat the coach competitions. We hope to see you there!

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Maternal & Child Health Conference: Friday, July 19



Registration is still open and on-site registration will be accepted!

Join the College for Community Health for this important event!

Breakout Sessions:

- Grant-Writing & Fundraising
- Program Evaluation Skills
- How to Access & Utilize Publicly Available Data

Keynote Address by:

Dr. Rebecca Ofrane
Executive Director of Maternal & Child Health, NJDOH

Expert Panel on:

Equity/ Diversity and Structural Issues

The Carnegie Leadership for Public Purpose Classification recognizes institutions that have committed to campus-wide efforts to advance leadership in pursuit of public goods like justice, equity, diversity and liberty. [\[View Full Story\]](#)



Montclair Unveils Next-Gen Rocky and Roxy Mascots

Get ready for next-gen Rocky the Red Hawk. Montclair State University's beloved mascot has undergone a metamorphosis from a fierce bird of prey to a softer, more animated and agile Rocky. New looks will enhance performance and spark greater school spirit.

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More University News

[Hispanic Student College Institute Gives High Schoolers a Head Start](#) As more Latinos pursue higher education, this annual summer program at Montclair offers support with college planning, financial aid resources, campus experiences and more.

[Tens of Thousands of Black Teachers in the South and Border States Lost Their Jobs Post-Brown. What About Those Outside the South?](#) A new report by Educational Foundations Professor Zoë Burkholder examines the trajectory of Black teachers in the North before and after 1954.

that Influence Maternal and Child Health

Event Details:

Date: Friday, July 19

Location: Montclair Campus - University Hall 1070

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Cost: \$50 - \$75

To register, contact Jordan Rodgers at rodgersj@montclair.edu

EOF Summer Cookout Monday, July 29



Calling all EOF alumni! Come back to the nest to enjoy some delicious barbecue and share some words of encouragement with our incoming EOF class.

We can't wait to see you for a day filled with prizes, food and good vibes.

Event Details:

Date: Monday, July 29

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Student Center Patio

[REGISTER TODAY](#)

Questions? Contact Angela White whiteang@montclair.edu

Audiology Study Participants Needed

Giving News



Support a Student-Led Initiative to Combat Student Mental Health Concerns on Campus!

There has been a rapid increase in the number of student mental health cases referred to the Crisis, Assessment, Response and Education (CARE) Team, a group of University administrators that meets regularly to evaluate concerning behaviors of Montclair State University students. The CARE team has seen a 15% increase in case referrals from last year, and it keeps going up since data has been tracked from 2020-21.

To address the increase in mental health concerns, student leaders are raising money to create two safe spaces for students called [Zen Dens](#).

"Creating Zen Dens on campus reflects our commitment to supporting the holistic well-being of our students. At Montclair State University, these quiet spaces provide a sanctuary for students to find peace, regroup, and nurture their mental health, ensuring they have the resources to thrive academically and personally." - Dawn Meza Soufleris, PhD, Vice President for Student Development and Campus Life

We need your help! Please [make a gift](#) to help our students hit their goals. Every dollar raised, no matter the size, will be matched by our Parents Fund. Join us today!

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Thank you for your support of Montclair State University. For more information, contact the Office of Annual Giving at 973-655-7492 or giving@montclair.edu.

Athletics News



The Department of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology is recruiting adults, aged 55 and above, who have moderate sensorineural hearing loss, and whose primary language is American/Canadian English.

This study will likely take 2-3 visits to the Hearing Outcome and Neuroscience (HON) lab located in Bloomfield. Parking is free and easy. During the visit they will first conduct a hearing test, then conduct a quick mental task test.

The first set of experiments takes around 2.5 hours. Participants will receive \$15 per hour in gift cards.

Please contact Susan Arzac at honlab@montclair.edu if you are interested in participating.

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Save on Home and Auto Insurance



The Montclair State University Foundation has partnered with AMBA to offer quality benefits at affordable prices to our alumni.

Check out these deals on Liberty Mutual home and auto insurance.

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Women's Soccer Reveals 2024 Schedule

The Montclair State University women's soccer team unveiled its 19-game schedule on Monday morning. The Red Hawks will open the season with five-straight road games, beginning with Swarthmore on August 30. Montclair will then travel to face Widener (September 1), New Paltz (September 4) and Hartford (September 7) the following week before concluding the stretch with Misericordia on September 11.

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Baseball: 2024 Season in Review

The Montclair State University baseball team posted its third-straight season of 26 or more wins during the 2024 campaign and produced two All-Americans. Montclair rattled off victories in 12 of their first 13 games to earn their best start through 13 games in program history, outsourcing

Movie Night Under the Stars

Don't miss Montclair Film's annual free movie night series:

Napoleon Dynamite

Sunday, July 21

Essex County Anderson Park

The Super Mario Brothers Movie

Saturday, August 24

Essex County Brookdale Park
(Archery Field)

Venues open at 7:00 p.m. and films begin at sundown.

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Sign on Today!

[Create your profile](#) to start making connections today!

- Expand your network and connect with fellow graduates.

Our featured **MONTCLAIRconnect group of the month** is the **Recent Alumni Network**. This group is for graduates of the last 10 years to network, exchange ideas and resources. [Click here to sign up and learn more.](#)

- Access Handshake to post a job or search for a job with the click of a button!
- Check out the calendar of events for upcoming digital and in-person opportunities

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opponents 102-36 during that span.

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Alumni Spotlights



Tamarra Causley Robinson '90

Bringing tenacity, courage and resilience to women of business and in life

As an undergraduate at Montclair State University, Tamarra Causley Robinson '90 was a resident assistant and assistant manager in Residence Life, a position that highlighted her compassion for humanity and showcased her natural talents of creating community and growing leaders.

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Career Corner



Adam Mayer, MA, GCDF, CPRW,
Director, University College Career and
Academic Programming

We all know AI can do a zillion things but what specifically does [ChatGPT](#) say about helping with a resume?

"I can assist you with your resume in several ways, including:

1. Reviewing and Editing: I can review your current resume and suggest improvements in terms of grammar, format, and content.
2. Content Enhancement: I can help you articulate your skills, experiences, and accomplishments effectively.
3. Tailoring: I can tailor your resume for specific job applications, highlighting relevant skills and experiences.
4. Keyword Optimization: I can help you include the right keywords to pass through Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS).
5. Objective/Summary Statements: I can help you craft compelling objective or summary statements.

To get started, you can share your current resume or provide details about your work experience, education, skills, and the job you're targeting.

Follow Us on Facebook and Get Entered to Win

We have created a [new alumni Facebook page](#) we ask you to join us by [liking our page](#)! Please note, the prior Facebook page no longer exists.

Doug Doremus '83 '17 MBA

Feliciano graduate brings the real world of marketing to Feliciano students

After nearly four decades working in marketing and sales, Doug Doremus '83 '17 MBA returned to the Feliciano School of Business in 2022 to teach marketing, sales management and sales leadership to the next generation of marketing leaders.

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