



Alumni News



Montclair State in Your Neighborhood: Los Angeles

In what has now become a tradition of highly successful gatherings and tours of prominent studios in Los Angeles, a Montclair State University contingent is once again traveling to the City of Angels to host an alumni gathering and tour of a major motion picture studio this coming summer. Montclair State will hit the road and travel to Los Angeles this June. Michael Price '81, Co-Executive Producer & Writer for The Simpsons, will again host alumni and guests at Fox Studios on Wednesday, June 20. Montclair State has hosted events in Los Angeles each year at various locations including Sony Studios, NBC Universal Studios, and Fox Studios. [\[View full story\]](#)

Featured Event

June 7

[Alumni Campus Employee Appreciation BBQ](#)

Upcoming Events

May 19

[Using Graphic Novels, Comics and Manga in the Classroom](#)

May 23

[CPES Course: Environmental Issues Encountered in Demolition](#)

May 31

[Webinar: MA in Public and Organizational Relations](#)

June 7

[CPES Course: Current Approaches to Treatment Technologies in Site Remediation](#)

June 11

[Yogi Berra Museum Celebrity Golf Classic](#)

Full Event Calendar

Plan ahead, mark your calendar, and tell a friend..

Peak Performances

Check out the upcoming calendar of events.

Carpe Diem

Tune in to the School of Communication and Media's weekly show.

Montclair State Athletics

View the entire athletics schedule



and cheer the Red Hawks on to victory!

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Alumni Benefits & Services

Some of the great things about being a graduate of Montclair State, are the discounts available to you on and off campus. Take advantage of a discount at the University bookstore when you pick up your alumni gear, and get

Montclair State's 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients

As part of Montclair State University's Convocation exercises, the University will honor alumni from each college and school with the 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award. We invite you to learn more about these Montclair State graduates who will receive the award in their respective colleges or schools: the College of Science and Mathematics - Dorothy Pelak Bognar '62, '67 MA; the College of Humanities and Social Sciences - Wendy Gillespie '73; the College of Education and Human Services - Emanuel (Manny) Scrofani '61; the Feliciano School of Business - Lucia Capozzoli '83; and the College of the Arts - Denise Rover '84. [\[View full story\]](#)

University News



NJ Lt. Gov. Sheila Oliver and Arts Leader John Schreiber to Keynote Commencements

The Montclair State University Board of Trustees has named New Jersey Lieutenant Governor Sheila Oliver and New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) President and CEO John Schreiber as its May 2018 honorary degree recipients. Oliver will deliver the keynote address and receive an honorary Doctor of Letters degree during the University's Undergraduate Commencement ceremony to be held on Friday, May 25, at Prudential Center in Newark, N.J. Schreiber will address the graduates and receive an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree as part of the University's Graduate School Commencement ceremony on Tuesday, May 22, at the NJPAC in Newark. [\[View full story\]](#)



Convocations to Celebrate Graduate Achievements

Undergraduate Convocations will be held on campus to celebrate the academic achievements of baccalaureate candidates. There will be six (6) undergraduate Convocations, organized by the respective Colleges and Schools. The Dean will preside, individual names will be read, and the distinctive traditions and spirit of each school or college will be celebrated. [\[View full story\]](#)

Giving News

fit at the Recreation Center with a discounted rate. Learn more about these on-campus discounts.

Shopaholic? No problem! Shop online with Working Advantage, and search for local and national discounts through PerksConnect.

We've made spring and summer fun affordable! Receive discounted tickets to Six Flags Great Adventure, Hurricane Harbor, and Wild Safari.

Save on the things that matter most. Your alumni benefits include a special discounted rate on auto, home, and renters insurance from Geico.

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Montclair State University Conference Center

Consider hosting your next event at The Conference Center at Montclair State. Alumni receive a 10% discount! For more information, [visit the website](#) or call 973-655-3391. You can also email conference@montclair.edu.

College Application Camp

At College Application Camp, rising seniors develop application essays, create résumés, and hone interview skills in just four days. Two sessions (June 25 - 28 or July 30 - August 2) will be held on Montclair State's campus. Alumni will receive a \$100 discount.

To receive the MSU Alumnidiscunt (\$100 off of the \$850 registration fee), mention that you are MSU Alumni in the "comments" section of the registration form.

[\[More information and registration\]](#)

Career Corner

By Adam Mayer, MA, GCDF, CPRW, Director of Career Development
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The Ladders reports that 75% of hiring managers indicate receiving a thank you letter affects their decision-making process. An easy way to prepare our thank you is to ask during the interview, "What qualities will the successful candidate possess?" The employer's answer is critical intelligence. If we possess said qualities, reflect on them in the thank you letter. Be sure to send your thank you within 24 – 48 hours after the interview and don't attach the thank you, rather, place it in the body of your email. If you interviewed with more than one person, send an individual thank you email to each. [Check out these samples for more.](#)

Class of 2018... Can we count you in?

Congratulations on your graduation, and welcome to YOUR alumni network! Commemorate your class year with a gift of \$20.18. Your gift will support The Emergency Scholarship Fund, which allows students who have fallen upon difficult financial circumstances to receive assistance in order to continue their education at Montclair State. You can also choose to support the Red Hawk Pantry, or a designation of your choice. A donation of any size, regardless of the amount, will help make a difference in the lives and experiences of Red Hawks for generations to come. Remember, all donations add up to big change. [\[Learn more and make your gift today!\]](#)

Athletics News



Powers, Gehring Chosen to Google Cloud Academic All-District® Softball Team

Sophomore second baseman Kaylee Powers and junior outfielder Victoria Gehring were honored for their outstanding efforts on and off the field as the duo were named to the 2018 Google Cloud Academic All-District® Softball Team. The teams, selected by CoSIDA, recognizes the nation's top student-athletes for their combined performances on the field and in the classroom. The Google Cloud

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Academic All-District® teams are divided into eight geographic districts across the United States and Canada. Powers and Gehring were named to the District 2 Team and are now eligible for the Division III Google Cloud Academic All-America® Team which will be announced in June. [\[View full story\]](#)

Alumni Spotlights



Mark Fanelli '93, '99 MA

Marc Fanelli '93, '99 MA has become a major player within the continuously expanding field of big data. While at Montclair State, Fanelli pursued degrees in both Mathematics and Geography. "I was conflicted, unsure if I was left-brained or right-brained," he stated, "I came from a family of scientists, yet was still passionate about history, culture, and literature." A double major became the best option. With Mathematics being the bedrock of physical science, it would provide a solid foundation if he chose to pursue a postgraduate degree, while Geography allowed him to immerse himself in everything from environmental law to economic development in foreign countries. [\[View full story\]](#)



Stacy Albanese '08, '17 MA and Andrew Fagioli '11

A couple of campus love birds got engaged on May 7 when alumni Stacy Albanese, '08, '17 MA, said yes to Andy Fagioli, '11. With both graduates now University employees, the surprise proposal saw Fagioli swooping into Albanese's office area dressed as the University's mascot, Rocky the Red Hawk. Fagioli is the student communications web and media developer for Student Development and Campus Life. Since part of his job involves working with Team Rocky – the students who help bring Rocky to life – his office was in on the surprise, letting him borrow the Rocky suit. "Those who know us well, know that this proposal is perfect for us," says Albanese. [\[View full story\]](#)

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