

State System News Highlights

More than 1,300 graduate from Kutztown University

Sunday, May 14, 2017

Dr. Kenneth S. Hawkinson congratulated graduates for their high level of achievement Saturday during commencement exercises at Kutztown University. "It is said that some carve out a future while others whittle away at time," said Hawkinson, Kutztown's president. "Your achievement shows that you came here to carve, not whittle."

The Reading Eagle

Edinboro University awards 796 degrees

Saturday, May 13, 2017

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania honored the class of 2017 during its spring commencement ceremony Saturday morning. Degrees were awarded to 796 students during the undergraduate and graduate ceremonies at Edinboro University's McComb Fieldhouse.

By Jack Hanrahan, The Erie Times-News

LHU grants 167 graduate degrees

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

"Pay gratitude forward," Kelci L. Killian urged her classmates Friday evening, shortly before receiving her Master of Health Science Degree at Lock Haven University. Price Auditorium was packed with graduate students, parents, faculty members and a great deal of pride for the graduate student ceremony, part of LHU's 140th commencement weekend.

The (Lock Haven) Express

MU 152nd Commencement

Monday, May 15, 2017

Five hundred forty one students received degrees at Mansfield University's 152nd Commencement on Saturday, May 13 at Decker Gymnasium. MU President Fran Hendricks, a 1979 Mansfield graduate, told the graduates, "You will hear your name and your degree called, then you will cross this stage and your life will be changed forever. The key for all is to venture forth and boldly use your Mansfield education and experience to boldly open the doors of opportunity that await each of you."

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A mother's vision leads to a daughter's Kutztown University degree

Friday, May 12, 2017

When Paola Cordova graduates from Kutztown University on Saturday, it will be the fulfillment of her mother's dream as much as her own. Eleven years ago, Blanca Cordova made a decision that altered the lives of Paola and her older sister, Jessica.

By Ron Devlin, The Reading Eagle

Berks college graduates have reason for optimism in job market

Sunday, May 14, 2017

Facing a job market that has grown steadily in the past few years, college seniors graduating this month say they are cautiously optimistic about the future. Many have already landed jobs, and most who haven't are confident they won't be unemployed forever - they're banking on hard work, perseverance and a healthy dose of good luck.

By Lea Skene, The Reading Eagle

W.Pa. colleges aim for accuracy with names amid commencements

Monday, May 15, 2017

What's in a name? Plenty on commencement day, according to John Kilmarx. Kilmarx, associate vice president for academic administration at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, had the most important job in the house at IUP commencement Saturday. Before the day was over, Kilmarx — he of the booming baritone — would read off the names of more than 1,500 graduates who gathered at the Kovalchick Complex. Getting each name right was of paramount importance.

By Debra Erdley, The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

[Task force makes recommendations to rescue troubled Cheyney U.](#)

Friday, May 12, 2017

Cheyney University, one of the nation's oldest historically black colleges, would remain an independent, degree-granting institution under recommendations that a task force agreed Thursday to forward to the State System of Higher Education, officials said. But the 180-year-old institution, on financial life support and hemorrhaging enrollment, would have to adopt a significantly revised business model.

By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

[Cheyney's 'conceptual framework' for new business model includes 'student success coach'](#)

Thursday, May 11, 2017

The Cheyney University Task Force on Thursday unanimously approved a "conceptual framework" for a new business model for the university, including the proposed creation of an "Institute for the Contemporary African-American Experience" within the university.

By Paul Vigna, The (Harrisburg) Patriot-News

[Enrollment at IUP projected to level off](#)

Friday, May 12, 2017

Indiana University of Pennsylvania officials are projecting an end to sliding enrollment when the next freshman class arrives in September. The 2017-18 academic year will arrive with a new major program in the works, a new doctoral degree offering, and a new name for one of the colleges within the university.

By Chauncey Ross, The Indiana Gazette

[Pa's state-owned colleges are a gateway to opportunity: Mark Price](#)

Monday, May 15, 2017

Parents and students have long understood that a college education is an important ladder to opportunity. Those with a college degree earn more than those without and face lower unemployment rates. Analysis of a massive new data base that includes 30 million people released this January, Mobility Report Cards: The Role of Colleges in Intergenerational Mobility, goes a step further. It shows, for the first time, how much four-year colleges in Pennsylvania provide a springboard for students from working-class families to become high-income adults.

The (Harrisburg) Patriot-News (Op-Ed)

Articles from subscription only sites

Kutztown University to offer financial planning program

Kutztown University has registered with and been approved by the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards Inc. to provide a financial planning undergraduate degree program, according to a release. The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree program in... - *Reading Eagle*

