State System News Highlights

Good morning. Here are the State System News Highlights for March 14, 2018. This weekly summary of news articles related to the State System is distributed each Wednesday. To view the individual articles, click on the headline. You also may view past articles and real-time news highlights from Twitter at www.passhe.edu/news.

(Special Note: Registration is open for the 2018 Spring PACT Annual Conference that will be held April 12-13, 2018, at the Hilton Harrisburg Hotel. The Conference Planning Committee has been hard at work finalizing the agenda, which promises to be full of informative and engaging sessions to support the System’s key strategic initiatives: Ensuring Student Success; Leveraging University Strengths; and Transforming the Governance / Leadership Structure. A complete agenda and other conference details are posted on the PACT website. To go to the site, click here.)

Cal U launches program to connect students to textbooks
Sunday, March 11, 2018
The staff in the Office of Academic Success at the California University of Pennsylvania understands that the students most at risk of dropping out are the school’s newest. The team set out this school year to ensure that all of the university’s freshmen and new transfer students have access to an integral — but pricey — part of the educational process that will hopefully keep them enrolled next school year: textbooks.

By Eric Morris, The (Uniontown) Herald-Standard

SRU’s sport management program awarded reaccreditation
Thursday, March 8, 2018
Slippery Rock University’s Sport Management Program was the first degree program of its kind in the country to be accredited by the Commission on Sport Management Accreditation in 2010, so it was fitting that SRU was the first university to achieve reaccreditation by COSMA.

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Returning to & Finishing College
Thursday, March 8, 2018
Students returning to college after dropping out have their work cut out for them. They must re-navigate admissions and enrollment, and they also may have to overcome additional challenges such as having originally left under academic probation due to poor grades. The guide below helps re-entry students better understand exactly what they need to do to get back into college and how to succeed once they’re in the classroom.

By Rob Sabo, Affordable Colleges Online

Millersville University narrows presidential search to 2
Tuesday, March 13, 2018
Millersville University’s council of trustees on Monday picked Philip K. Way and Daniel A. Wubah from a field of five finalists to lead the public university, part of the State System of Higher Education. Way is the interim president of Slippery Rock University, while Wubah is the senior advisor to the president at Washington and Lee University.

By Tim Stuhldreher, Lancaster Newspapers

Lehigh, Kutztown and ESU receive grants to fight sexual assaults
Tuesday, March 13, 2018
Almost 40 Pennsylvania colleges, including Lehigh, Kutztown and East Stroudsburg universities, will receive grants that aim to end sexual assaults on campuses by initiating campaigns to raise awareness and providing training for students and faculty.

*By Jacqueline Palochko, The (Allentown) Morning Call*

**College grants will fund sexual assault prevention programs**

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Several Western Pennsylvania colleges have received state grants for programs designed to reduce sexual assaults on campus. The schools were among 39 post-secondary institutions to receive more than $950,000 in It's On Us PA grants, which were announced Tuesday at an event at Temple University in Philadelphia.

*By Stephen Huba, The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*