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AASCU HIGHLIGHTS



International Enrollment Management Trends

AASCU and World Education Services partnered to examine the international enrollment management trends and strategic priorities among AASCU members. [Download the report](#)



Distinguished Alumnus

AASCU will recognize **Kathleen Best**, three-time Pulitzer Prize winning editor of *The Seattle Times* and a graduate of the University of Illinois Springfield, as the 2015 Distinguished Alumnus Award honoree. The award will be presented at the Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas. [Read more](#)



Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the HEA

A celebration and commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Higher Education Act will be held during the AASCU Annual Meeting. Partnering with the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities, and Texas State University, the meeting will feature a special program on the Texas State campus. To learn more visit aascu.org/MAP/HEA50/

Programs

Black Hills State University (S.D.)

The Spearfish Subculture Development Task Force, initiated by Dana Boke, Spearfish mayor, and Tom Jackson, Jr., Black Hills State University president, examined the areas of retail and food, music, arts, culture, outdoor adventure, communication and collaborative activities between Black Hills State University and the community of Spearfish. To see the full report visit the [BHSU website](#).

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California State University, Sacramento

Sacramento State became the only university in California, and one of only two on the West Coast, to support its power engineering program with a protection relay-testing and real-time simulation lab. [Read more](#)


Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

With the influx of refugees in Europe increasing each day, three professors at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW) are working together to create a resource for Arabic-speaking refugees in Germany. The "German for Arabic-Speaking Refugees Project" posted their first few videos last week. The team plans to post one video each week for as long as there is a need. [Read more](#)

University of Central Florida

More medical residency slots are coming to Florida thanks to a partnership announced today between one of the largest hospital networks in the country and the second largest university in the nation. Hospital Corporation of America and the University of Central Florida College of


- University of Arkansas - Fort Smith**
- University of Central Florida**
- University of Houston-Victoria**
- Western Washington University**

Awards & Honors 

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- California State University, Fresno**
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- Valdosta State University (Ga.)**

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Medicine, which established an internal medicine residency with the Orlando VA and Osceola Regional Medical Centers in 2013, are expanding their partnership to create more than 550 residency slots in hospitals across northern Florida. [Read more](#)

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Grants and Gifts

Angelo State University (Texas)

The Texas Tech University System Board of Regents has approved changing the name of Angelo State University's College of Health and Human Services to the "Archer College of Health and Human Services." The action comes with acceptance of a \$5 million gift from the James B. and Lois. R. Archer Charitable Foundation. [Read more](#)

Armstrong State University (Ga.)

The Foram Group Charitable Foundation presented a \$100,000 check to fund the creation of Armstrong State University's Aquaponics Research Center on October 1, whose mission is to conduct cutting-edge research, and to develop technologies and best practices that improve the sustainability and profitability of soilless farming techniques. [Read more](#)

Black Hills State University (S.D.)

The Black Hills State University Spearfish Local Program recently received a \$100,000 grant from the USDA Local Food Promotion Program. Spearfish Local, launched in June 2014, is a BHSU initiative that brings together local producers, distributors, purchasers and consumers of local food while engaging BHSU students in the process. [Read more](#)

California State University, Los Angeles

The budding Los Angeles biosciences industry recently got a major boost from the federal government with a \$3.2 million grant to Cal State L.A. The funds from the U.S. Dept. of Commerce's Economic Development Administration will be used to construct a new laboratory building at Cal State LA called LA BioSpace. [Read more](#)

California State University, Northridge

Through a \$434,000 National Science Foundation (NSF) grant awarded to CSUN math professor Helena Noronha, Pierce Community College and Mission College instructors and students will perform research alongside CSUN math professors over the next three years. The project, titled Research Experience in Community Colleges, or RE-C², is one of the first mathematic research opportunities for community colleges in the nation. [Read more](#)

California State University, Sacramento

Sacramento State has been awarded a Developing Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) grant for more than \$2.4 million from the U.S. Department of Education to boost the success of Hispanic and low-income students attending the University and improve retention and graduation rates. Twenty-seven percent of the University's undergraduate full-time-equivalent students are Hispanic. [Read more](#)

Dakota State University (S.D.)

The Great Plains Education Foundation recently awarded Dakota State University a grant to fully fund the STEM Institute for up to 20 students for fall 2016. The program is slated to begin a week before classes start and gives incoming first-year students in STEM majors a chance to have closer interaction with faculty and upper-level students. [Read more](#)

Georgia College

Jim Lidstone, director of the Georgia College Center for Health and Social Issues, recently received \$75,000 in external funding from the Healthcare Georgia Foundation. The award will support the third year of the project entitled "Healthy Living by Design." [Read more](#)

Governors State University (Ill.)

- Governors State University has been selected to receive a Title III grant of \$1.99 million over five