



WEEK OF OCTOBER 15, 2024

REMINDER TO ALL FACULTY

If you have not received your post-tenure review process update, please contact your department chair.



NEWS TO KNOW

Talk With Tuminez | Oct. 9, 2024



UVU President Astrid S. Tuminez addressed the campus community in the Noel and Carrie Vallejo Auditorium during the first campus-wide Talk With Tuminez town hall meeting of the 2024-2025 academic year. She addressed a range of topics, including the new Scott M. Smith Building coming Dec. 2025, the holiday campus closure from Dec. 24 to Jan. 1,

[GreenBucks coming to employee accounts on Nov. 15](#), and the upcoming Health and Wellness Village on UVU's Vineyard Campus.

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Wolverine Access Textbook Program Updates

To better help our students, UVU is moving to a new flat-rate textbook program called Wolverine Access. This program will make textbooks more affordable, and students will now know exactly how much to budget for textbooks.



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Fall Break = Fall Fun! An October Message From Faculty Senate President



While my graduate school adventures took me to Maryland and Ohio, I learned about “leafering” in Utah. Our majestic mountains light up with oranges, reds, and yellows — a sight to enjoy from the distance or, within a short drive, inside the globe of our Aspen grove forests.

A gentle reminder for you faculty members as you contemplate what you’ll be doing over the break: Give students the break they need, too. Please don’t assign additional homework over the break. Let’s all of us come back rested.

I hope you have an enjoyable and happy fall break.

UVU Educating the Most Utahns With a Record 46,809 Total Students; 41% are First in Their Family to Attend College



Utah Valley University (UVU) continues to educate the most Utahns, with a record number of 46,809 total students for the 2024 fall semester – an impressive increase of 4.83% compared to fall 2023. The university also welcomed 4,705 first-time students, an increase of 7% over last year — resulting in the largest freshman class in its history.

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Faculty Policy Updates You Need to Know

On **Sept. 12, 2024**, President’s Council approved one policy to enter Stage 1: Policy 104 Advisory Boards. They also approved compliance changes to Policy 646 Faculty Appeals for Retention, Tenure, and Promotion in response to Utah House Bill 438. Policy 101 Policy on Policies is currently in Stage 2. You can send comments to your representative in Faculty Senate any time before Oct. 17.



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UVU Faculty Member Part of 2024 Class of Fellows for the Academy of Nursing Education



Nursing/health professions faculty member Dr. Dianne McAdams-Jones, Ed.D., RN, CHSE, SFHEA, was recently selected as one of 27 fellows in the 2024 class for the Academy of Nursing Education (ANEF). McAdams-Jones is believed to be the first faculty member in the history of UVU to earn this achievement.

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October Service Learning Champion: Dr. Raiden Gaul

Dr. Raiden Gaul is an assistant professor in the Department of Nursing. She was born in Hong Kong and lived overseas for 10 years. She has six children and five grandchildren and has practiced as a labor and delivery and newborn intensive care registered nurse for over 30 years. These experiences have fostered the development of a lifelong interest in global maternal child health and international collaboration in service learning. Congrats to Dr. Gaul!



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This Blue Lemon-Inspired Butternut Squash & Pumpkin Soup is the Epitome of Fall Flavor | KSL Studio 5 | Sept. 24, 2024

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THINGS TO DO

Vote at UVU's New Ballot Box!

Prepare for Accreditation Evaluation



UVU now has a ballot box on campus, located between the LA and CB buildings. Students, faculty, and staff can begin using the on-campus ballot box when ballots are mailed out on **Oct. 15**. Let's register and vote!

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UVU is preparing for a comprehensive evaluation by our institutional accreditor, the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). It is important for our campus community to be informed and ready for this key moment in our 7-year accreditation cycle. The NWCCU site visit will occur **Oct. 23-25, 2024**

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Sign Up for the Inquiry Program

InQueery is a program provided by LGBTQ+ Intercultural Engagement offering a dynamic student panel for your classes. Panels typically focus on education, outreach, and advocacy for LGBTQ+ issues, but can be tailored to fit your needs. Our panelists will introduce themselves, share their backgrounds, and discuss their coming out stories, followed by an open Q&A to foster insightful conversations.

To comply with HB 261, the panel must align with your curriculum and include LGBTQ+ education.

Questions or concerns? We're here for you.
Reach out to us at lgbtq@uvu.edu



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UVU Wrestling Special Employee Season Ticket Pricing



UVU wrestling enters a new era welcoming first-year Head Coach Adam Hall, and now offering season tickets. Your season ticket package includes tickets to all home duals, ensuring you won't miss any of the action-packed matches. When you purchase season tickets, your money directly impacts the UVU wrestling program and supports student-athlete scholarships.

Get Wrestling Tickets Here

Faculty News @ UVU Swag Giveaway Winner!



A big congrats to Kari Olsen, associate professor of accounting, for being our randomly selected winner of some fresh UVU swag! Thanks to everyone who entered the contest.

Do you have news to share or a story idea? Fill out a request and thanks for reading!

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