

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25, 2025

## NEWS TO KNOW

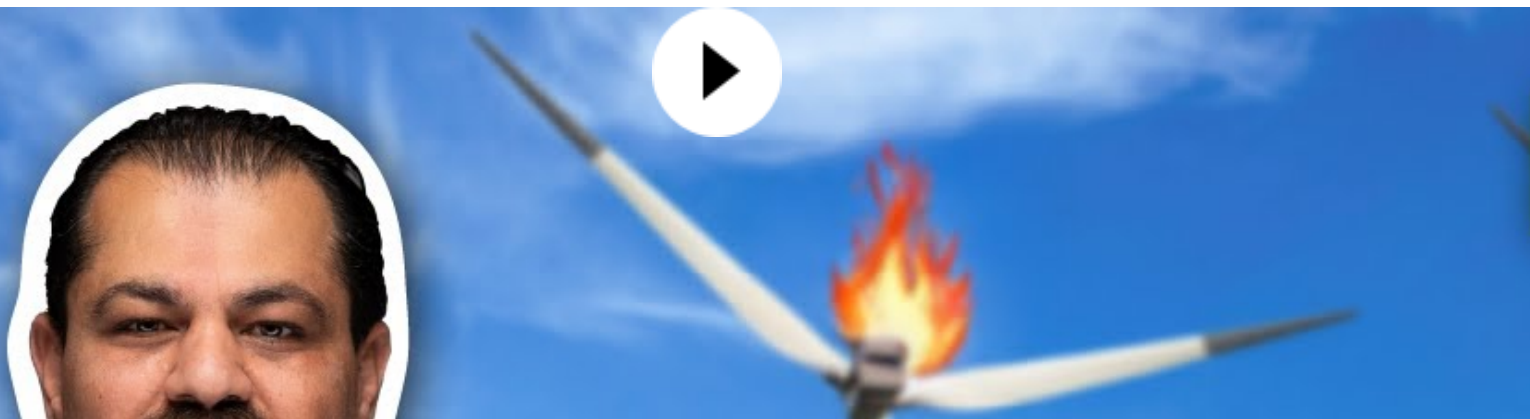
### UVU Wee Care Center Shares Strategy That Dramatically Increases Parent-Child Reading Time



Utah Valley University's [Wee Care Center](#), an on-campus childcare facility dedicated to supporting student-parents, has launched an innovative eight-week parent-child reading program that dramatically increases reading time.

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### Faculty Footnotes: Finding Solutions With Machine Learning





The late Dr. Mohammad Shekaramiz, a former associate professor of electrical engineering at UVU, assisted his students in developing innovative solutions within the field of renewable energy. With a hands-on approach and access to cutting-edge equipment, Dr. Shekaramiz enabled students to utilize machine learning in inventive ways that provide them with real-life experience in the blossoming industry of renewable energy.

**Faculty Development Updates**

A portrait of Laurie Toro, a woman with long brown hair, wearing a maroon top, smiling.

**LAURIE TORO**  
DIRECTOR FACULTY  
DEVELOPMENT

**RTP Faculty Success Update**

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We are almost to midterm, yay! I'm sure most of you are looking forward to a well-deserved break.

In my last message, I mentioned trainings my office will be holding to walk faculty through the new CES (formerly SRI) tool. Those trainings will be held via Teams.

# Supporting Students' Mental Health and Wellness

## Encouraging Students to Stay Active This Winter



Navigating school during winter can be stressful, but UVU offers a variety of resources to help students stay balanced and healthy

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Encourage students to stay active and beat the winter blues with these fantastic resources on campus.

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## NEWS IN HIGHER ED

**Survey: What Students Value in Internships** | Inside Higher Ed | February 21, 2025

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**Adopt or Resist? Beyond the AI Culture Wars** | The Chronicle of Higher Ed | February 20, 2025

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## THINGS TO DO

## Watch the Spring 2025 Presidential Lecture



Six-time Grammy-winning artist and founding member of the Black Eyed Peas Apl.de.Ap reflected on his over 35-year career in hip hop as he delivered the spring 2025 Presidential Lecture at UVU on Feb. 20.

[Watch Full Livestream](#)

## Save the Date! Commencement Is April 30, 2025

## Spring Tuition Remission Closes March 11



Commencement is one of the biggest days of the year at UVU as we celebrate our graduates.

This year, commencement will be held on Wednesday, **April 30, at 6 pm** in the UCCU Center. All staff and faculty are invited to attend.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Stephanie Albach at [stephanie.albach@uvu.edu](mailto:stephanie.albach@uvu.edu)



The deadline to submit the spring 2025 tuition remission waiver for employees and their dependents is **Tuesday, March 11**. Additionally, the summer 2025 semester tuition remission waiver opens on **Tuesday, April 1, 2025**.

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## The Great Office Spring Cleanout

## Updated Ordering System for UVU Catering



UVU Grounds, Campus Services, and Surplus are sponsoring office spring cleanout days on **March 10 and 11**. Additional waste and recycling dumpster pick-ups will be scheduled to facilitate campus-wide office decluttering and clean-up. *To coordinate moving larger items to surplus, send a Teams message to John Hansen, UVU Grounds Director.*



UVU Catering has just launched its new online ordering system. It is more user-friendly than the previous system and provides high-quality images of all the dishes available for catering. Click the link below or visit [uvu.edu/catering](http://uvu.edu/catering) to get started.

[Learn More](#)

## Enter to Win UVU Swag!

Enter now to win some amazing UVU swag! Included will be an article of clothing from the new "UVU Vintage" collection.

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