Enrollment numbers drop 0.2 percent

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Enrollment numbers have stagnated in a departure from the trend of recent years. Compared to fall 2014 enrollment numbers, enrollment dropped by 32 students totaling this year's enrollment as of September 19, 2015 at 20,146 students.

Brian Meredith, chief enrollment and graduation officer, said once the census data is finalized in October, he doesn't expect to see any substantial changes to enrollment this year's enrollment only dropped by 0.2 percent.

Meredith said the dramatic decrease was due to a combination of factors including rise of admission standards and availability of federal Pell grants.

Since fall 2013, enrollment has decreased overall. However, this year's enrollment only dropped by 0.2 percent.

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tended into states such as California, said. The number of first-time first-year freshmen increased by 43 students.

Meredith said dual credit classes are a recruitment initiative. “It’s imperative we continue to strengthen dual-credit relationships which in turn will later turn into full-time enrollment here at Western,” he said. Enrollments of non-traditional students increased by 0.7 percent, going from 3,000 in fall 2014 to 2,979 in fall 2015.

Because of the drop in enrollment, dual credit classes are imperative we continue to strengthen dual-credit relationships which in turn will later turn into full-time enrollment here at Western,” he said. Enrollments of non-traditional students increased by 0.7 percent, going from 3,000 in fall 2014 to 2,979 in fall 2015.
Cigarette butts pose beautification problem on campus

BY SAMANTHA WRIGHT
HERALD WRITER & EDITOR

The Doctorate of Physical Therapy program could soon have new home for the program. "This semester the program's new home was approved at Friday's Board of Regents meeting. Housed under the Allied Health department in the College of Health and Human Services, the two-year-old program will have its own separate department exclusively for PTD.

The department was approved unanimously, he said. "Most of the big programs on campus will have their own separate department. This program will raise the profile of physical therapy in the university's budget because of the demand for this type of education and it will help with fund-raising," he said.

He added this new department is a smart move because physical therapy is a growing field.

"The field of physical therapy is very popular, people from all over the world apply to this program and this department will help the profile even further," he said. He said he doesn't foresee any problems with the program moving into a new department.

"In some ways it has operated as a department, so it should be a seamless transition," he said.

Chambers said this will allow the physical therapy program to have their own separate department, identity and focus.

MajorRedz to host first-ever talent show

BY MARCEL MAYO
HERALD WRITER & EDITOR

The program's new home will be at the Downing Student Union next month.

"In the future this will be our events home," said Brandon. "It's very competitive," Bale said. "Physical therapy has always been competitive for decades, so there won't be any worries about not attracting enough applicants."

"Perhaps the students in the physical therapy program, said the program receiving its own department will help bring it to attention, especially for people who are already teaching or have already taught here," said Wallmann. "They should be told this, in the United States," Archey said.

"They're also in the process of finding the clinic for the number of elementary-aged girls that need to be treated. "It's time to come back and take off the training wheels," he said. BARBER feels a change can do it.

"The program will provide students with jobs that help them. They'll be paying their own college. They'll be helping their peers time and time again to use the proper receptacle for their cigarette butts."

"It's very competitive." Bale said. "People have been competing for decades for the same students time and time again."

"Once you are done smoking, you should not worry about not attracting enough applicants."

"It's a great example of the university fulfilling a societal need," he said. "People might not know that the university that we can do this, that we have the talent and desire and motivation to do it."

Bale said this program could dispose of them properly. "You could put an urn or receptacle on the ground outside Tate tee, had approving the depart-

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"Many of us," Archey said. "We don't always dispose of the cigarette butts in his pocket or outside."

"It's getting colder and we need to do something."

"We've got a great example of a student fulfilling a societal need," he said.
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A film series at WKU will highlight the South Africa struggle to end apartheid.

The seven-part series “Have You Heard from Johannesburg” will be screened Sept. 1 to Sept. 30 in Cherry Hall, Gary Ransdell Hall and on the Glasgow campus free of charge.

Through a partnership with the Office of the International Year of South Africa, the Gender & Women’s Studies Program is hosting the film series for this year’s International Year of South Africa.

The event will also include a visit from award-winning documentary filmmaker Cinematic Field, whose work has won a Primetime Emmy, the Sundance Grand Jury Prize, two International Documentary Association awards and two Academy Award nominations.

Kristi Brasham, director of the Gender & Women’s Studies Program, said Field will discuss filmmaking, how to choose subjects and her experiences with making the “Have You Heard from Johannesburg” series.

“This is probably a very hard story to try to tell because it’s a long history with a lot of players at the local, national and global scale,” Field said. Andrea Cheney, the assistant director of the International Programs office, said programming and events create unique opportunities to connect students to scholars and other experts.

Brasham hopes students will take this opportunity to learn about apartheid and oppression in South Africa as well as the country’s history.

“The opportunity to meet South Africans in the last apartheid is fantastic,” Brasham said. “The opportunity to meet individuals who have made significant contributions to our social, cultural and political world is priceless.”

Each part of the film provides a chronological look at South Africa’s struggle to end apartheid.

“Young students don’t know about apartheid in South Africa,” Brasham said. “This is a very important historical event, and the ramifications of it are not limited to the borders of South Africa.”

Students will also learn about filmmaking specifically, women in filmmaking. Brasham believes women in film and documentaries are not as represented as men.

“We can’t separate gender from issues of race, class and nationalism and oppression,” Brasham added. “Your gender is but one component of your identity, and these are issues covered throughout of the film.”

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“Any opportunity like this on any campus is fantastic,” Brasham said. “This is probably a very hard story to try to tell because it’s a long history with a lot of players at the local, national and global scale.”

For more information about the events of the film series, see the WKU Gender & Women’s Studies website.
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Engle and Lucas led the charge to secure their victory because Sydney was playing well. “I needed her. She was a big, big presence than us, beating us to all of the balls on our half of the field,” said Engle. “It helps the whole team when she is involved and active.”

The defensive mishaps the Lady Toppers committed throughout the contest, finishing 56-9-2 in shots, are certainly things her young defense, including a trip to West Virginia.

O’Shaughnessy plans to use the rest of the semester by touring the NCAVC Crime Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime.

Junior wide receiver Taywan Taylor (12) lines up to get around Miami (Ohio) defensive back Marshall Taylor (21) during the Hilltoppers’ 56-14 win against the RedHawks on Saturday at Smith Stadium. Taylor caught nine passes for 154 yards and four touchdowns. MARSHALL HILL/HERALD

**FOOTBALL**

**JH Hilltoppers rebound with 56-14 thrashing of Miami (Ohio)**

BY HUNTER FRINT

WKU started off Conference USA play at home this past week. After starting league play with a 3-1 loss to Rice, the Lady Toppers found themselves up with a 1-0 victory over Louisiana Tech on Friday.

The conference schedule started for the Lady Toppers as they went on the road against FIU to battle against the Owls. The Owls are 3-15 this season, and the Lady Toppers were able to find a rhythm before Rice scored the game’s first goal in the 30th minute.

At this point, the Lady Toppers began grinding towards halftime, hoping to regroup at the break. Before halftime, though, junior midfielder Madeline Lundberg banged in Rice’s third and final goal in the 40th minute.

Despite being down three goals, WKU buckled down in the second half, and sophomore attacking midfielder Hannah Clear won her fifth goal of the season in the 63rd minute. “Throughout the game, we proved we are a defensive unit,” said Neidell. “We came out very flat in the first half, and I don’t have the answers for why that happened. We went back to work, worked on the fundamentals and corrected the problems that we had. For us to come out in the first half and play that well, I couldn’t be happier.”

Taylor continued to impress, turning to 2014-era form as he hauled in 11 catches and 148 yards, to add to his touchdown. “We were hungry for a win after being beaten by Rice last week,” said Head Coach Travis Hudson. “We knew we had a team that we should have played better against and coached harder, so we spoke to the ladies on Saturday.”

“We came out very flat in the first half which was tough for the pros to react to and we realized why we were so flat in the second half. We were just running harder and faster than we were in the first half,” Hudson said.

Sophomore outside hitter Jackie Scott (24) and senior outside hitter Rachel Engle (15) go for the ball during WKU’s 3-0 win against Louisiana Tech on Friday. Scott and Engle recorded three and five kills respectively in the Lady Toppers’ win over the Lady Techsters. SHARON ABKRANN/HERALD

**Soccer**

*China, Dunn at it again in C-USA opening*

BY MATTW STEWART

The Lady Toppers ended their first home weekend of Conference USA play with a sweeping victories over Louisiana Tech and Florida International in Diddle Arena.

The wins bring WKU’s number of games won in three sets to 10 out of 12 contests played with a 15-2 overall record.

The win also move the Lady Topper to 3-0 in conference play after they started with a 3-1 win over Marshall in Huntington, West Virginia, Wednesday. FIU (8-4) came into Diddle Arena Sunday afternoon hungry for a win after being handed a loss in Rice on Friday. With the loss to the Lady Topper, FIU’s record in conference play falls to 2-2.

WKU on the other hand, was coming in with an eight-game winning streak. The Lady Topper’s win over FIU is the Lady Topper’s sixth in conference play, and they are currently riding an eight-game winning streak. The Lady Toppers have not lost a C-USA contest since Oct. 17, 2014, against the University of Texas, San Antonio.

Head Coach Travis Hudson knew coming in to this match again that FIU that it was going to be a defensive battle.

“Florida International presents a lot of problems because they are the best blocking team in our league, and it was tough for us on Saturday,” Hudson said. “We blocked nine balls in the first two sets and that was very hard for us offensively.”

**VOLLEYBALL**

**Engle finds her stride as Hilltoppers win ninth straight**

BY BILLY RUTLEDGE

Hungry for a win against Miami (Ohio) in WKU’s fourth game of the season, the Hilltoppers dominated from almost every facet of the contest on Saturday with a comprehensive 56-14 victory at Smith Stadium.

The win showed impressive effort from all three of WKU’s units and extended the teams home-winning streak to six games, an FBS-era record for the program.

More than just a win for Head Coach Jeff Breach and his team, the victory also marked a successful rebranding from WKU’s loss to Indiana — the program’s third-straight defeat.

“These accomplishments also make the sixth-year Hilltopper WKU’s all-time leader in total yards and most career completions,” said Head Coach Jeff Breach.

The Lady Toppers have not lost a Conference USA contest since Oct. 17, 2014, against the University of Texas, San Antonio.

“Female athletes are remarkable and it’s inspiring, fun, hilarious, and weird,” said Head Coach Jeff Breach. “It’s hard to see why we stop them. It’s for Jesus freaks, skeptics, Christians, athlets, doubters, and wanderers. Our program membership recently passed 100 college students and young adults to connect with Jesus in community of people who want to share questions, doubts, and inspirations along their faith journeys. We are a part of the UKirk network of Presbyterian Church (USA) collegiate ministries. What is UKirk? Likely? It means University. Check us out!”

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