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Diplomats-in-residence plans to use experience to aid students

Michael McClellan, plans to use one of the greatest aspects of his work abroad, experiencing the culture.

McClellan began his work in Public Diplomacy with the Foreign Service in 1984. His job was to raise awareness and understanding of US policy in a particular country by living and working internationally, dealing with the aftermath of the Kosovo War and NATO bombing campaign. He was in South Sudan, witnessing transformations in several countries.

While in Kosovo, the nation was dealing with the aftermath of the Kosovo War and NATO bombing campaign. He was in Egypt right after the fall of Saddam Hussein, then again during the withdrawal of US forces. His final assignment was as deputy chief of mission, or the second-in-command diplomat assigned to an embassy, in South Sudan— two years after they established independence. McClellan said it was ultimately gratifying, but could be difficult and sometimes dangerous. He was almost killed twice.

"These were challenging and interesting assignments, very rewarding — but difficult," he said.

In addition to the years of work in the Foreign Service, McClellan has also written a book, "Monasticism in Egypt: Images and Words of the Desert Fathers" was published in 2011 and focuses on Egyptian monasteries. His second book, which focuses on Islamic and EU students, is in progress.

McClellan said he was motivated to come to WKU, and that he doesn’t want to hide who he is.

"I was excited to come to Western because I got to have a clean slate to be who I wanted to be, and I now feel more myself."

Ilan Maule, executive director of WKU’s Honors College, said McClellan has a particular expertise in that he can bring a new form of international exposure to WKU.
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 Throughout students’ college careers and will be divided into three categories: Foundations, Explorations and Connections. Each emphasizes different aspects of education that build upon one another as students work toward graduation.

Larry Snyder, chair of the Colonnade Program Task Force, said not much will change. Most classes will remain in general education, though some were thrown out and others will be taught differently. The largest revisions, however, are the categories.

“The new twist on this is the last category. The Connections category is an attempt to help students see how things they learn in core curriculum apply to majors and other issues they are discovering in upper level classes,” Snyder said.

Courses now have to prove to be beneficial in order to remain in general education. Snyder said the Task Force developed a set of Student Learning Outcomes that requires each course to assess and verify students are learning the material.

Molly Dunkum, chair of the Colonnade Program Implementation Committee, said the hope is that the core classes will compliment students’ majors and help associate the mandatory courses with those in chosen fields.

“The transition to a new general education program began in 2008. Snyder said there were several contributing factors. The last time WKU was reviewed by the accrediting body Southern Association of Colleges (SACs), they said the core curriculum needed improvement. There were too many courses that did not work together to build fundamental knowledge. Snyder said the committee used a curriculum model from the American Association of Colleges and Universities, making WKU one of 10 states taking an initiative on the program. "In many ways, we are on the cutting edge of what’s happening with general education nationally," Snyder said. The final step is execute the plan. With the first ATP almost a month away, Dunkum and the Implementation Committee have been working to get courses and policies finalized, while converting faculty, advisers and iCAP to the program. Dunkum said there is a lot that goes into a conversion such as this. "It’s a big deal to get all this changed, even though if you look at the plans side-by-side, it’s the same course material... a big chunk of the courses are the same," she said. "It’s still much more involved, lots and lots of details involved, to get this thing changed over."

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give first-hand information that can aid students in gaining international opportunities. “He can talk to students about what it was like to live in Cairo or Moscow,” Cobane said. “He can give real-world, hands on the ground, feet in the dirt experience.”

Growing up in and around Bowling Green, McClellan had to find experience and appreciation for the world in his family and teachers. He said he wants to be able to provide support for students with international objectives.

“I wanted to come back and work with students to help prepare them for international careers, and to have a better idea of the many opportunities that are available to them internationally, especially those that want to pursue a career in diplomacy,” he said.

Cobane said there are probably less than 20 universities across the United States that have a diplomat-in-residence. “We’re getting a steal of a deal for what he is bringing to WKU,” he said. McClellan has been a diplomat-in-residence at the University of Michigan, where he supervised all universities in Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky and in the Rocky Mountain region. There, he was responsible for universities in Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico. His time at WKU, however, will be solely spent with WKU.

He said he is excited to be a part of the international initiative of WKU. “It’s clear the university is pushing, in a major way, to give the students there a lot more international experience and opportunities,” McClellan said. “I want students to be able to have a lot of the same experience I’ve been blessed to have, so I thought it was time to give back in whatever way I could.”

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"I feel that small business owners really need our product because these new avenues of marketing, they're underutilized or there's not a lot of knowhow," said Hangout Creative founder Blake Blackburn, a 2012 WKU graduate. "And I wanted to be the business that understands and that gives small business owners the knowhow to make that an expensivemarketingfield." 

Hangout Creative has over 25 clients in Kentucky, southern Illinois, Indiana and Tennessee, including Nat's Grill and Hilligan's. 

"I pretty much wear every hat," Blackburn said. "I'm the engineer, the networker; I do it all." 

Blake Blackburn said Hangout Creative has a different approach than other marketing companies that will social media, explaining that other companies create comments and shares on social media websites. 

"Hangout Creative focuses more on the sales side of the business," he said. 

Giving students a convenient alternative to classes, "I think it was that we offered the classes that students seemed to need," she said. 

Bingham said the enrollment increase was caused by several factors, such as the growth of the freshmen and sophomores. 

Bingham said it was important un dergraduates were aware of winter pro grams. 

"We wanted to get freshmen and sophomores to know what Winter Term was," she said. "That way they could see if it's something that might increase our freshman and sophomore retention." 

There are several improvements winter programs are preparing to make in order to increase student success. 

Laves said a concept council has been formed that includes Acad emic Affairs, Student Affairs, Camp us Safety and student representa tives. 

Bingham said one goal is to bring more students back on campus ear lier in the spring semester begins. 

"We have MASTER Plan in the fall, but we don't have anything like that for students that start in the spring," she said. "and we have quite a few students that actually start in the spring," she said. 

"We're looking at ideas of increasing enrollment in the spring campus before the semester actually starts, since we are out for so long."

"It's also a good way to get ahead," she said. "And I don't think they're getting customers, they're spending more time executing their product because these new avenues of marketing, they're underutilized or there's not a lot of knowhow." 

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BY KEVYANA BOKA
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The spell of American Horror Story

While those elements may shift season to season, one constant is that “American Horror Story” is always a wild ride. Combining chills, thrills, gore and even laughs, the show has carved out a niche as the funniest little horror series on TV.

“American Horror Story” also works because it’s despicably funny. These three seasons establish the show’s signature “campy horror” tone, artfully blending the horrifically dark with the darkly comedic.

“American Horror Story” features the enigmatic Rubber Man, a-byte of ghosts, demons and quips and probably most horrifying of all, a violent home invasion.

“Coven” is easily the funniest season so far, featuring comic-tilting performances from Kathy Bates and Angela Bassett as women’s rights activists against racism only added to the already horrid fear. “Asylum” featured a demonic nun who didn’t take crap from anybody and a terrific rendition of populaTake a huge hill where rivers roll through to a huge hill where rivers roll through to...
Welsh demonstrates his trumpeting skills as Washburn and Fei provide a gradual crescendo of accompanying sounds. The Wu Force member also played piano and guitar.

Kai Welsh plays the piano with his band, The Wu-Force, as part of the WKU Cultural Enhancement Series at WKU’s Van Meter Hall on Tuesday night. The Appalachian-Chinese avant-folk trio, which features Welsh, Abigail Washburn and Wu Fei, provided audiences a setlist that included songs sung in both English and Chinese.

The Wu-Force serenades the crowd with a blend of familiar melodies and eclectic Eastern chords. “I thought I was going to be a lawyer because that was practical,” Washburn said. “And I’m playing banjo in a weird, kung-fu Appalachian indie folk rock band.”

In full FORCE

By Brian Powers

The Wu-Force kicks off the spring edition of the Cultural Enhancement Series with a performance in Van Meter.

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Students, faculty and small children snapped their fingers and sang along to the rhythms of the Wu-Force Tuesday night. The performance featured costume changes, instrumental harmonies and bilingual lyrics sung in English and Chinese.

“It was awesome,” Katie Roberts, a Bowling Green sophomore, said. “A lot of my friends wanted to come.”

Ke Peng, a Chinese professor in the Department of Modern Languages, helped introduce the Wu-Force.

“Their music help us see a world without barriers,” Ke said. “A world with ultimate possibilities.”

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Washburn also talked about her own suburban background.

One song, called “Swallow Bridge,” told the Chinese story of a daughter of heaven who fell in love with a sheepherder. However, the father of the daughter wanted her to keep the two separate. So all the swallows made a bridge between heaven and earth.

Wake-up call.

Excuse me, but what? This is a fashion column. The column will appear on Thursdays, discussing trends, giving style tips and commenting on fashion faux pas.

Dress: Asos; Shoes: Forever 21

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A huge internet trend has been circling the blogosphere at the start of this new year. That trend has started off with women being told that things they wear, things they may love, don’t appeal to a general, broad group of men polled for these articles.

Women should embrace their own style.
Washburn said.

"There's a variety of talent that exists, and it's great for students to see that. We are happy to share the event and the potential for everything," she said.

The gala is an excellent opportunity for that. "I believe it gives students a chance to see Chinese and Eastern culture is something a lot of Americans don't know much about," she said. "When I say that I speak Chinese and travel to China with the Confucius Institute, she will be one of the emcees for the event. It's really nice to see this cross-cultural sharing," she said.

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SGA reconvenes, discusses state budget cut possibilities

BY LEAH BROWN NEWS@WKUHERALD.COM

The Student Government Association held their first meeting of the spring semester on Tuesday night.

SGA President Keyana Boka said she talked to dining services about 24-hour study areas. She wants to bring back the study area from last year as well as create a 24-hour study area at different options, especially Ein-Dining for students. WKU Restaurant Services talked to dining services about 24-hour study areas. SGA reconvenes, discusses state budget cut possibilities.

Executive Vice President Mark Reeves outlined a two year budget the state government is voting on and the importance of student input in the process. Reeves said SGA is not in a good environment financially and we need to start thinking about the budget cuts. Reeves said, "As SGA, we need to be on our toes because there are tough budget cuts." Reeves said the body devised a proposal to revisit the process by which students changed their majors. SGA will review it and vote on the changes of major ad-

Boka announced SGA will be plan-
ing a trip to Frankfort called "Rally a 24-hour study area.

Malkin graduated from
Warren East High School in 1989 where she studied politi-
cal science and criminology. She said she always knew she wanted to be a lawyer. She wanted a lasting, positive impact. "I want to see War-
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Malkin stood amongst the nine Supreme Court jus-
tices in Washington D.C. and gave a speech about the

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This transition to different coaching and alma mater, and that she is definitely not comfortable being back at her experienced being on a winning team and humble. We're definitely moving in the right direction as a program.

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Jo Ann Watkins, WKU's second-year coach, said. "Absolutely (the bar has been raised)," she said. "That was one of the things I was told about. You never really had a target on our backs. We were ranked number six preseason as you graduate. And helping that kid go along in academics...and watching them graduate is huge.

BASKETBALL

The Lady Toppers are coming off of a pair of wins against USC Upstate in the Regional Round but lost twice against Vanderbilt last season.

The season ended for WKU in the NCAA this season.

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Arkansas State
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Louisiana Monroe
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Georgia State
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Louisiana State
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Troy
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Conference USA brings changes to Smith Stadium

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This time last season Jeff Brohm, current coach and former offensive coordinator of the WKU football team, said WKU was “going to take advantage” of the relationship the coaching staff had with the city of Louisville and the rest of the state. One year later, the Toppers are one step closer to being Kentucky’s team — WKU signed 10 in-state players during National Signing Day on Wednesday.

Brohm, a Louisville native in his first season as WKU’s coach, is dealing with an unusual predicament in recruiting battles within Kentucky. It’s an unusual circumstance for Brohm to recruit alongside former Coach Bobby Petrino at WKU one year, and then recruit against Petrino — who accepted the same position at Louisville in January — the next season. But Brohm never wavered in his pitch to the future Toppers. His message at the press conference announcing the class Wednesday was simple: any school trying to recruit the top high school players in Kentucky is going to have to go toe-to-toe with WKU.

“Our goal here is to compete for the best players in the state, and we think we have a lot to sell here,” Brohm said Wednesday. “We’re not going to back down from anybody and like I said before, this state has a lot to offer. We’re always going to continue to recruit hard in the state of Kentucky.”

Floridian students have dominated past recruiting classes under former coaches Willie Taggart and Petrino. Of the 33 high school and junior college players WKU signed last season, 14 were from the Sunshine State, while just four came from Kentucky. This year, however, Brohm said he wanted to make it a point of emphasis to recruit from areas within a “three-hour radius” of Bowling Green.

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**Kentucky is key for Brohm’s first class**

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**IN STATE KENTUCKY RECRUITS**

- **Ryan Duval**
  - Position: DB
  - High school: Apollo High School
  - Bowling Green, Kentucky
  - Height: 6-2
  - Weight: 230 lbs

- **Joe Brown**
  - Position: RB
  - High school: Butler High School
  - Louisville, Kentucky
  - Height: 6-0
  - Weight: 180 lbs

- **Will Bush**
  - Position: WB
  - High school: Ballard High School
  - Louisville, Kentucky
  - Height: 5-11
  - Weight: 180 lbs

- **DeAndre Farris**
  - Position: WR
  - High school: Bowling Green High School
  - Bowling Green, Kentucky
  - Height: 5-9
  - Weight: 170 lbs

- **Nacarius Fant**
  - Position: WR
  - High school: Bowling Green High School
  - Bowling Green, Kentucky
  - Height: 5-9
  - Weight: 170 lbs

- **Dick Greenstreet**
  - Position: DB
  - High school: Paducah Tilghman High School
  - Paducah, Kentucky
  - Height: 6-5
  - Weight: 250 lbs

- **Evan Sayner**
  - Position: QB
  - High school: McCreary County High School
  - Paducah, Kentucky
  - Height: 5-10
  - Weight: 200 lbs

- **Joel Iyiegbuniye**
  - Position: LB
  - High school: South Warren High School
  - Bowling Green, Kentucky
  - Height: 6-1
  - Weight: 210 lbs

- **Derik Overstreet**
  - Position: DL
  - High school: Paducah Tilghman High School
  - Paducah, Kentucky
  - Height: 6-2
  - Weight: 250 lbs

- **Masai Whyte**
  - Position: LB
  - High school: Martha Layne Collins High School
  - Shelbyville, Kentucky
  - Height: 6-0
  - Weight: 205 lbs

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**KENTUCKY’S MR. FOOTBALL HEADLINES 2014 CLASS**

Bowling Green High School wide receiver Nacarius Fant is keeping his talents in the city.

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**GET FAMILIAR WITH THE 2014 RECRUITING CLASS**

Meet DeAndre Farris (pictured above) and the rest of WKU’s incoming high school recruits.

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Iyiegbuniwe answers the call to WKU

Iyiegbuniwe graduation high school ranked as the No. 12 prospect in Kentucky according to 247Sports.com. He also was rated the No. 120 safety prospect in the country by Scout.com. Iyiegbuniwe said his strongest position is to play linebacker, but he’s not ruling out the possibility of playing and special safety for the Toppers.

“It feels good finally getting the paper work done,” Iyiegbuniwe said. “To finally officially welcomed into the Western family is a great feeling.”

As a junior in 2012, Iyiegbuniwe recorded 64 tackles, three interceptions and four touchdowns. His senior year was cut short as South Warren, the school he played for, was only in its third year of existence, advanced all the way to the KHSAA quarterfinals. Iyiegbuniwe came down with a hamstring injury in the final game that sidelined him for a majority of the season. He made 23 tackles, interception and six tackles for loss.

“It was a complicated deal,” Iyiegbuniwe said. “The doctors didn’t know that I would be able to play football. It happened. As far as now, my body is all there for me. I feel like I’ve done my best and it happened. We’re happy to have every one of them.”

From Purple to Red: Mr. Kentucky

Fant said his recent official visit to WKU back in June, and said the move to Louisville made him focused on moving forward.

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Fant is one of the 10 players from Kentucky to sign on to play football at WKU for the 2014 season. The 10 players come from all areas of the state except for the northern counties.

“Fant was one of the first to pop in the process, calling her son “determined” and “strong-willed.” To see his work pay off on this front, he said, “It’s a bad habit. Today is a very special day because this is the first time we’ve done something together as a family.”

According to his rivals.com profile, Fant is a three-star prospect.

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MID-YEAR SIGNEES

Name                  Ht  Wt   Pos                  Former College       High School/Hometown
Dejon Brown           6-3 225 LB                  Mt. San Jacinto CC   Beaumont HS (Beaumont, Calif.)
Ge'Monee Brown        6-2 305 DL                  Pearl River CC       Petal HS (Petal, Miss.)
Forrest Coleman       6-2 175 DB                  San Joaquin Delta   Lincoln HS (Stockton, Calif.)
Jared Dangerfield     6-3 200 WR                  Fort Scott CC        Royal Palm Beach HS (West Palm Beach, Fla.)
Antwan Grant          6-1 195 WR                  Nassau CC            Dickinson HS (Wilmington, Del.)
Nick Holt             6-1 230 LB                  City College of San Francisco Seattle Prep (Seattle, Wash.)
Troy Jones            6-2 210 QB                  Nassau CC            St. Paul’s School (Baltimore, Md.)
Travis Lock           6-1 195 RB                  Nassau CC            Lyndebrook HS (Lyndebrook, N.Y.)
Wonderful Terry       5-10 180 DB                  Garden City CC       Westwood HS (Fort Pierce, Fla.)

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New coach Jeff Brohm made a statement at Wednesday’s press conference announcing WKU’s 2014 signing class about the recruiting process this year, and the statement says a lot about how far the Topper football program has come in the past few years.

“We even had to turn away guys,” the coach said. “There were guys that called and wanted to commit and we were full. We had to explain that to them but that’s just a testament to how well the recruiting has went and how easy it is of a sell of this university.”

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