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TSU's Thurgood Marshall School of Law Improves Performance on Texas Bar Examination

Performance of graduates from the Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) on the Texas Bar Examination continues to improve.

The State Bar of Texas has released the names of persons who passed the July 2013 Bar Exam and the pass rate for first-time takers who graduated from TMSL was 79.23%. This rate reflects the best performance of TMSL graduates on the July Bar Exam since 1972, when systematic records were first kept. The results mean that for the second time in four years, the Law School exceeded its 75% first-time pass rate goal. The Law School has recorded its two best performances in the last four decades on the July Bar Exam during this most recent

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Retirees Honored for Decades of Service to Texas Southern University



Seated left to right; Ms. Jeanette Oliver, 19 years of service; Ms. Jeanie Hicks, 24 years; Dr. Sandra Rouce, 34 years; Dr. Lendell Braud, 43 years; Dr. Thomas Freeman, 64 years; Dr. Andrew James, 13 years; Ms. Gertrude Mackey, 16 years; Ms. Gloria King, 38 years; and Ms. Edith Dean, 27 years. Standing left to right; Mr. Thomas Johnson, 39 years; Mr. Aaron Holiday, 32 years; Ms. Eva Wooten, 11 years; Mr. George Thomas, 30 years; Dr. Shirley Nealy, 36 years; Dr. Cherry Gooden, 37 years; President Dr. John Rudley, Ms. Katherine McClendon, 30 years; Mr. Nelson Plummer, 14 years; Dr. Franklin Jones, 35 years; Dr. Robert Ford, 9 years; Dr. Carrington Stewart, 14 years; Ms. Carolyn Freeman, 30 years; and Professor Clarence Batie, 40 years. Dr. William Nealy, 38 years, attended but did not take the group photo. Also retiring but not present at the event were: Sunday Fadulu, 40 years; Marsha Herold, 14 years; Lizzie Howard, 20; Carolyn Hughes, 14 years; Roderick McWashington, 30 years; Gloria Metoyer-Talton, 45 years; Alan Phillips, 4 years; Bobbie Richardson, 28 years; and Albert Qualls (Deceased), 28 years. These individuals contributed a combined total of 896 years of service to the University.

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Jesse H. Jones School of Business Featured in the Princeton Review's "Best 295 Business Schools: 2014 Edition"

TSU's Jesse H. Jones School of Business is one of the nation's most outstanding business schools, according to education services company, The Princeton Review. The company features the JHJ School in the 2014 edition of its book, "The Best 295 Business Schools."

"We are extremely proud of this recognition from the Princeton Review and of the progress our faculty and staff are making in our education and learning collaborative that prepares students to lead in a global economy," stated **Ronald A. Johnson**, dean of the JHJ School. "Our goal is to develop independent thinkers who are prepared to make a positive, meaningful, and lasting difference in our community and beyond."

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Anthony (Tony) Wyllie
Speaker
Texas Southern University
Winter Commencement
Saturday, December 14, 2013
H&PE, 9:30 a.m.

University Calendar 2013-14

November - December

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

Department of Music Presents: Summer Haiyan Song, soprano and Jason Oby, tenor
Rhinehart Music Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
For more information contact Jason Oby at
713-313-7263

School of Public Affairs Brown Bag Luncheon Series

Public Affairs Bldg, room 415, 12:00 p.m.
For more information contact LaRence Snowden at
713-313-6844

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Texas Southern University presents "Gospel According to Jazz"



Chanté Moore

Kirk Whalum

Gerald Albright

Texas Southern University is pleased to present the Christmas Concert "Gospel According to Jazz" featuring R&B songstress **Chanté Moore** and jazz legends **Kirk Whalum** and **Gerald Albright**.

The concert, based on Whalum's "Gospel According to Jazz" album, features the chart topping gospel anthem, "Falling in Love With Jesus," the 2011 Grammy winning "Best Gospel Song," and "It's What I Do," is scheduled for Friday, December 6th in the Sawyer Auditorium on the campus of Texas Southern University.

Tickets start at \$20 for students and \$25 general admission. VIP and Reserved seats are also available. Get yours today! For more information, visit www.tsu.edu or call 713-313-4205.

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four-year period.

The first-time pass rate must also be seen in the context of an overall state first-time pass rate of 88.74% for all of the Texas Law Schools and an overall rate of 81.84% for first-time takers and repeaters. The gap between TMSL's rate and the overall first-time pass rate is less than 10%.

"TMSL will continue to work diligently to achieve and maintain a first-time bar pass rate that consistently exceeds 75%. While we have more work to do in this regard, the above LBB one-year out data suggests we are moving in the right direction."

Law program effectiveness is measured by the percentage of law graduates that pass the bar examination within 12 months, or one year of graduation.

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Texas Southern celebrated its 2012-2013 retirees in a grand celebration on October 30, 2013 at the downtown Hilton Americas – Houston Hotel. Those retiring amassed nearly 900 years of combined service to the University. Following the program, retirees gathered for a group photo.

Program participants included Dr. Dianne Jemison Pollard as Mistress of Ceremony; Dr. Thomas Freeman, Invocation; Dr. Sunny Ohia, the Welcome; Mrs. Eva Pickens-Lindsey, the Occasion; Dr. Rasoul Saneifard, Faculty Tribute; Mr. Derrick Wilson, Staff Tribute; Marinda Frugé, Miss TSU and Nathaniel Harris, III, Mr. TSU, Student Tributes; Ms. Connie Cochran, Alumni Tribute; Mr. George Thomas, Musical Selection; Dr. John Rudley, President, Tribute and Presentations; and Mr. Brian Dickens, Remarks. Committee members included Ms. Stepheny A. Scott, Chair; Dr. Dianne Pollard, Co-Chair; Ms. Darcia Williams, Co-Chair; Ms. Connie Cochran, Ms. Carolina Velasco and Ms. Van Le. Music was provided by TSU Jazz Combo, led by Horace Alexander Young, Interim Director, TSU Jazz Studies program.

Each retiree received a rosewood piano finish clock, lifetime campus parking decal and card, athletic pass – valid for one year for all campus sporting events, lifetime membership to the TSU Recreation and Wellness Center, Sodexo 50% discount meal card – valid for one year, live well gift packet from TSU work-life wellness program, and a wellness packet from TSU Center on the Family.

TSU News

The **deadline** to submit news or information for **TSU E-News** is Monday by noon. Submissions may be sent to calliskd@tsu.edu or pickensek@tsu.edu. For any questions or comments, call Eva Pickens at 713-313-4205.

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"The Best 295 Business Schools: 2014 Edition" has two-page profiles of the schools with write-ups on their academics, student life and admissions. In the profile on the JHJ School, the Princeton Review editors describe the school as: "a school with solid preparation in Finance, General management, Operations, and Entrepreneurial studies. The students attending the JHJ School who were surveyed by The Princeton Review shared a common sentiment and chose to attend TSU because of the school's "visionary" and "awesome" professors. Of these luminaries, students say, "They are highly competitive and knowledgeable about their professions," and students appreciate the "quality of their experience and expertise." Also, as one student points out, the professors show a distinct "ability to steer students' creativity and innovation."

Robert Franek, Princeton Review Senior VP-Publisher, recommended the JHJ School as one of the best schools a student could attend to earn a business school degree based on the school's high regard for academic programs and the reviews of institutional data that was collected. The Princeton Review's survey asks business school students about their school's academics, student body and campus life as well as about themselves and their career plans. The Princeton Review analyzed and tallied its lists based on a survey of 20,300 students attending the 295 business schools at what we consider the best AACSB-accredited business schools in the U.S. as well as several AACSB-accredited business schools abroad.

Basketball Season Gets Underway with a Trio of Impressive Victories

In their season opening game, the Texas Southern Lady Tigers basketball team defeated Tulsa 88-80 on the road as the team got impressive performances from several key newcomers. The win marks the programs' first victory over a Conference USA opponent. Texas Southern had four players with double-digit points, including 32 from Jazzmin Parker, 20 from Alexis Johnson, 14 from Sarah Williams and 12 from Brianna Sidney. The Lady Tigers shot a solid 50-percent from the field, including 50-percent from three-point range, and 83-percent from the charity stripe.

In their opening game of the season against Norfolk State University, the Texas Southern Tigers basketball team got impressive debut performances from Aaric Murray and Jose Rodriguez as the duo combined for 58 of Texas Southern's 95 points. Texas Southern shot 58.9 percent from the field going 33-of-56 including an 8-of-17 showing from beyond the arc. Collectively the ball movement was good for TSU as they distributed 21 assists as a team. Final score was Texas Southern 95, Norfolk State 83.

Versus Wiley College a total of four Texas Southern players put up double digits in scoring as the Tigers cruised to a 113-96 victory over visiting Wiley College in front of 1,042 spectators.

Ray Penn led the charge going 7-of-13 for 29 points while also racking up 11 assists, 2 steals and a rebound. Penn set the tone early for Texas Southern with his precision passing and quick cuts inside the lane. Murray put together his second back-to-back solid performance as the 6-10 center scored 24 points on an 8-of-17 shooting night. Murray notched his first career triple double in a Tigers uniform as he blocked 10 shots while grabbing 10 rebounds. He was a menace inside the paint for the Wildcats throughout the contest as he rejected nearly every shot taken in his vicinity.

Online Evaluation of Teaching Begins Nov. 18

Online evaluation of teaching will begin on November 18 and will end on December 6, except for TMSL, for which the online evaluation began November 11 and end on December 6. Faculty, please begin talking up this new initiative to prepare students to complete the online evaluation. Best practices research has been provided to the deans and department chairs about successful completion rates for online evaluation.

On the students' behalf, the process is very simple and trouble-free. It is the same process as if they were to receive a customer service survey after a visit from a restaurant, car dealership or doctor/dentist. The process is as follows:

- Student will receive a separate email survey link invitation per registered course (six registered courses equals six course label emails)
- Student will click on or tap the link to open the survey
- Student will respond to each survey item by clicking or tapping
- Student will submit survey after completing



University Calendar 2013-14

November - December

Woo-Sai Wednesday's

Student Center Tiger Room, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
For more information contact the Women's Resource Center

Thursday, November 14, 2013

eMPA/MPA Present: A Lecture by Dr. Justin N. Seruhere

Public Affairs Bldg. room 411, 2:00 p.m.
For more information contact Dr. Michael Adams at 713-313-7760

Monday, November 18 - Friday, November 22

International Education Week

For more information contact Gregory Maddox at 713-313-7889

Tuesday, November 19 - Wednesday, November 29, 2013

Threat Risk Assessment Continuing Education Units

Public Affairs bldg, room 411, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
For more information contact Dr. Michael Adams at 713-313-7760

Thursday, November 21, 2013

Dia del Tigre

Campus wide

For additional information visit www.tsu.edu/admissions

Kenneth Reardon Lecture, The Transformational Change in Memphis: Vance Avenue's Neighborhood Program

Public Affairs Bldg., room 106

For more information contact Department of Urban Planning and Environmental Policy at 713-313-7304

TSU HOMECOMING 2013 PARADE CATEGORY WINNERS

FLOATS

Campus Floats

- 1st Place-College of Science & Technology (COST)
- 2nd Place-JHJ School of Business
- 3rd Place-TSU School of Communication

Community Floats

- 1st Place-TSU Charter School Lab
- 2nd Place-Energize for STEM (Fine Arts)
- 3rd Place-Energize for STEM (Pre-K)

WALKING UNIT

- 1st Place-St. Mary Catholic School
- 2nd Place-St. Peter the Apostle Catholic School
- 3rd Place-Grand Lodge of Texas
- 3rd Place- College of Science & Technology (COST)
- 3rd Place-College of Pharmacy & Health Science (COPHS)

WALKING UNIT DRILL TEAM

- 1st Place- Inspired for Excellence
- 2nd Place-Rhodes School
- 3rd Place-MC Williams Middle School

TRUCKS

- 1st Place-KTSU
- 2nd Place-Living Testimony
- 3rd Place-TSU Recreation Center

CARS

- 1st Place-Alpha Lambda Omega Christian Sorority
- 2nd Place-TSUNAA-Metropolitan
- 3rd Place-COLABS

MARCHING BAND CATEGORIES

Lead Off Band Award

Energize for STEM (South East Campus)

Elementary Schools

1st Place-Blackshear Elementary School

Middle Schools

- 1st Place-Ortiz Middle School
- 2nd Place -Cullen Middle School

High Schools

- 1st Place-Manor High School
- 2nd Place-Sterling High School
- 3rd Place-LaMarque High School

TSU Homecoming 2013 Office & Dormitory Winners

OFFICE

- 1st Place - Office of the President
- 2nd Place – COST Student Services
- 3rd Place – College of Education

LOBBY/FOYER

- 1st Place-Human Services & Consumer Sciences
- 2nd Place – Rollins-Stewart Music Building
- 3rd place – COPHS-College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences

DOOR

- 1st Place – COST – Dean's Suite (NSC Suite 303)
- 2nd Place – Office of Development

DORMITORY

- 1st Place – Lanier East Residence Hall

WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER PRESENTS

Relax...Restore...Rejuvenate

The countdown continues to...

Woo-sai Wednesday

Tiger Room November 13th, 2013

5-7pm
(3rd Floor SSLC)