



December 2021



Note from TU Alumni Director

Dragon Nation,

The end of the year is quickly approaching. As you reflect on this last year, I hope you found time to try new things, take care of yourself and take care of those that you love.

Thank you to everyone who has supported Tiffin University in this past year through their time, talents and gifts. It was great to reconnect both in person and virtually, it was wonderful have people back on campus, and it was so fun to get back on the road and visit our alumni around the country.

We are looking forward to 2022 and continuing to plan alumni and friend events both in person (on- and off-campus) and virtually. Please check out our [events page](#), social media and your email for the latest information regarding our upcoming events.

Goodbye to 2021 and hello 2022!

Cheers!

Update your Information

Whether you're in a new career, just got married, or celebrating the birth or adoption of a child, we want to hear about it. [Share your news with your TU family.](#)

Your Gift Matters

If you wish you could do more to forward our mission, YOU CAN!

Include Tiffin University in your will. Your bequest will create a lasting legacy, assuring that TU will continue to make an impact in the lives of students. Check out other planned giving options here: plannedgiving.tiffin.edu.

Sincerely,

Vickie Wilkins '09, '11, *Director of Alumni Relations*



If you have specific questions regarding the university's response to COVID-19, please visit tiffin.edu/coronavirus.

Connect. Engage. Volunteer.

News on Campus

Tiffin University Set to Open Center for Intercultural Excellence

Tiffin University is pleased to announce the upcoming opening of its Center for Intercultural Excellence on January 1, 2022. This decision was made in light of the University's success with its affiliate program, Celebrating Cultural Uniqueness at Tiffin University (see below) and the community's desire to share its expertise with other organizations seeking to employ similar efforts.



Nadia Lewis, former Associate Vice President of TU's Office of Human Resources will be promoted to the title of Vice President within the same department, in addition to becoming the first Vice President of TU's Center for Intercultural Excellence. The Center will be the new home for Tiffin's Office of Equity Access and Opportunity, Office of Human Resources as well as several associated departments. Nadia has played an integral part in TU's internal and external work in the area(s) of diversity and inclusion, and this promotion will allow her to continue these efforts on a wider scale, providing aid to those outside TU's immediate communities.

For more information, click [here](#).

President's Challenge

President Lillian Schumacher challenged staff and faculty with what TU means to them and here are our winners.

Click [here](#) to watch the video.



What's Next - Strategic Innovation

TU Partners with Lean Systems Inc. to Offer Lean Systems Transformation & Leadership Program

Tiffin University is partnering with Lean Systems Inc. to offer a lean manufacturing program comprised of 6, in-person, modules. [Lean Systems Inc.](#) is a team of continuous improvement experts that teach leadership, systems, and transformation as well as assist in the assessment and implementation of cultural transformation. The Lean Systems program is approved by the State of Ohio and NAFTA. The program begins February 1, 2022.



This program is being offered through [TU Connects](#). TU Connects is an initiative that is focused on all aspects of workforce readiness from a "local to global" perspective.

For program pricing, registration or information, visit tuconnects.tiffin.edu/content/Lean-Manufacturing-Institute

***The Division of What's Next - Strategic Innovation** has been created in order to assist with informing, operationalizing, executing, and sustaining a product innovation strategy for the University. It is responsible for managing the innovation process that identifies strategies, business opportunities and new technologies and then develops new capabilities and architectures with partners, new business models and new industry structures to serve those opportunities. Have a question about TU Connects or this division? Contact tuconnects@tiffin.edu.*

Athletic Department Highlights

Winter Sports

Keep up to date on Dragons Athletics by visiting gotiffindragons.com.

As a reminder, there are no capacity limitations; however, **to attend any Dragon home competition you must have a ticket**. Tickets can be purchased online prior to the event or at the door. No cash will be accepted/credit cards only.

To purchase your ticket, please go to gotiffindragons.com.



Tiffin Arts

Christmas at the Ritz

The annual Christmas at the Ritz will be taking place on Saturday, December 4, at 7 p.m. at the Ritz Theatre in downtown Tiffin. Tickets are selling fast and can be purchased by going to The Ritz Theatre or visiting The Ritz Theatre website, ritztheatre.org/box-office.



We will also be hosting a special music/arts alumni reception prior to the event at 5:30 p.m. in the The Ritz Theatre lobby. Food and drinks provided. Must be an alumni of the music/arts program. Registration is required due to limited seating. To register please [click here](#).

TiffinArts programs to produce Rent

Save the date! TiffinArts students are set to produce the musical Rent on March 17-20, 2022, at The Ritz Theatre in downtown Tiffin. Set in the East Village of New York City in 1990, Rent is about falling in love, finding your voice and living for today. Winner of the Tony Award for Best Musical and the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, Rent has become a pop cultural phenomenon. with songs that rock and a story that resonates with all audiences.



Tickets will be "reserved seating" only and will go on sale in January. Please find more information at tiffinmusic.com/rent.

Career Services

Career Services for Our Alumni

The Career Services Office provides resume reviews, interview prep and job search strategies, among other services, to our alumni free of charge. We are also hoping to connect with alumni who may have recruitment needs for careers and internships. Email careerservices@tiffin.edu to connect or request an appointment.



Don't forget to check out College Central Network for free career development resources! Register for an alumni account at collegecentral.com/tiffin.

Upcoming Alumni Events

We are excited to offer alumni events on-campus, off-campus and virtually! Please be sure to visit tiffin.edu/advancement/alumni/events to register for these events and for the most current event information.

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Navigating the Career Jungle - Professional Development Series

Wednesday, December 1

Tiffin University's Office of Alumni Relations and Career Services Office is excited to share that our professional development series, Navigating the Career Jungle, with TU alumna Jacqueline V. Twillie MBA '09, is set for the fall. This series offers a one-hour virtual session that will provide you with tips and strategies for taking your career to the next level. The program is free to all alumni, friends and students at Tiffin University courtesy of ZeroGap. Registration is required. Once you register, you will receive the Zoom link.



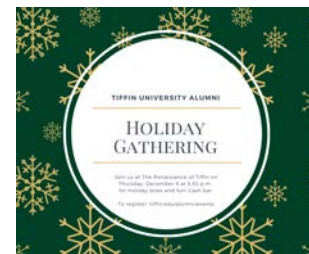
The final session of the semester is on Wednesday, December 1, 11 a.m. - Achieving Entrepreneurial Success.

Click [here](#) to register.

Tiffin Alumni Holiday Gathering

Thursday, December 9

Alumni living and working in and around Tiffin are invited to join us for a Alumni Holiday Gathering on Thursday, December 9 at 5:30 p.m. at The Renaissance of Tiffin for holiday bites and fun. Cash bar.



Click [here](#) to register.

AZ Alumni Holiday Gathering

Saturday, December 11

Chadd '16 and Victoria '17 Clifford will be hosting a holiday gathering in their home for TU alumni in east Mesa, AZ on Saturday, December 11 from 6 - 9 p.m. small bites and holiday drinks will be provided.



Click [here](#) to register.

January 2022

TU Track & Field/Cross Country - Carry the Torch Awards

Saturday, January 22

We are proud of our Tiffin University Track & Field and Cross Country alumni, and we want to take the opportunity each year to honor their achievements. The "Carry The Torch" Award will be presented each year to showcase the contributions made by our alumni. Nominations are taken year round. Selections will take place in November.



The awards will be presented on Saturday, January 22, 2022 at 6 p.m. in the Marion Center on Tiffin University's campus. The award ceremony is open to all alumni and friends of the university.

Click [here](#) to nominate an alumni for this award.

Click [here](#) to purchase a ticket for the event.

Men's and Women's Basketball Alumni Day

Saturday, January 29

Join us for our annual Men's and Women's Basketball Alumni Day on Saturday, January 29 as the Dragons take on the Lake Erie Storm. There will be special seating behind the home bench and food available in Carmella's hospitality suite. We will do alumni introductions during halftime of each game.



Click [here](#) to register.

February 2022

FORE Fun in Florida

Saturday, February 19

Join us for the annual FORE Fun in Florida Golf Outing and Social on Saturday, February 19, 2022 at Majestic Golf Club, [350 Homestead Road S, Lehigh Acres, FL 33936](#). Check in is from 11:30-12:30 p.m. Tee time is 1 p.m.



Early registration special \$85 before January 14, 2022. Price includes 18 holes, lunch, golfer gift and social event (After the deadline, price is \$100 per golfer.)

Not a golfer? We will be hosting a dinner & social event from 6 to 8 p.m. – \$40 per person (must RSVP by February 5).

Open to all alumni, friends and family of Tiffin University.

Click [here](#) to register.

SAVE THE DATES!

March 2022

Softball Alumni Day

Saturday, March 26

Softball alumni and their families are invited to meet new Head Coach, Paige McMenemy, as the Dragons take on the Hillsdale Chargers Saturday, March 26 in a double header. First pitch at 1 p.m. We will do alumni introductions in between games.



Registration coming soon.

April 2022

Tennis Alumni Day

Saturday, April 9

Men's and women's tennis alumni and their families are invited to the P.M. Gillmor Courts as the Dragons take on the Hillsdale Chargers. Later in the day they are invited to compete in alumni matches followed by appetizers in the Wall Street Pub & Grille.



Registration coming soon.

Baseball Alumni Day

Saturday, April 23

Baseball alumni and their families are invited to Heminger Field at Paradiso Athletic Complex as the Dragons take on Trevecca Nazarene University in a double header. First pitch at noon. We will do alumni introductions in between games.



Registration coming soon.

Lacrosse Alumni Weekend

Friday, April 29 - Sunday, May 2

Lacrosse alumni and their families are invited to join the Dragons all weekend long as we celebrate both alumni and the graduating seniors!

Registration coming soon.



January - April 2022

We are in the planning stages of several alumni TU Comes to YOU events including: Texas alumni reception (January), Los Angeles/Orange County alumni reception (March) and a Nashville alumni reception (April).

Be sure to check your email, website, social media and this newsletter for updated information regarding these events!



Alumni & Friends Announcements and Benefits

TU Impact Shirt

Tiffin University's student-led organization, Dragon Philanthropy Council (DPC), has currently sold over 90 Impact Shirts to help support the Student Emergency Fund. The TU Impact Shirt is an exclusive, one-of-a-kind shirt that will change design and sell yearly. **There is still time to get yours!**

[Click here to view the TU Impact Shirt video](#)

[Click here to purchase your shirt](#)

For more information, email Vickie Wilkins at wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu.



TU Memorabilia for Sale to Benefit the Student Emergency Fund

We have a number of items available to purchase for a man-cave, she-shed, barn, etc. We have minimum requirements for each item; however, we would greatly appreciate donations above and beyond. All items are first come, first serve. Pick up on campus or buyer pays shipping.

Please contact Vickie Wilkins, wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu, to place your order!



Blazin' BBQ Chips

We will now proudly have Blazin' BBQ potato chips from Ballreich Snack Food Company available to the TU campus, alumni and friends.

If you wish to order Blazin' BBQ chips for an event you are hosting, you may place your order directly with Ballreich's by visiting ballreich.com or calling customer service at 800-323-2447. A portion of all sales will go toward student scholarships.



Italy & Greece

With ancient architectural ruins and vibrant cultural traditions, Italy and Greece have long been top destinations for history buffs, art enthusiasts and pizza lovers alike. Trace the footsteps of gladiators in the Colosseum and Greek philosophers in the Acropolis. Take in a variety of art, whether it's Michelangelo's masterpiece in the Sistine Chapel or a street vendor's colorful rows of creamy gelato. Any way you slice it, these two countries have centuries of stories to share.



To view the full itinerary and pricing, click [here](#). Once a traveler enrolls, they lock in their program price.

Together We Can Help

Tiffin University has proudly served students with need throughout our history. It may be, in part, what makes us most proud of all their accomplishments. Because part of their persistence is overcoming financial challenges, the Student Emergency Fund was created. This fund has been used as an emergency fund for students so they can find success on their educational journey.



COVID will continue to impact our students. While we don't know what the future holds, we do know that, together, we can help those we serve rise above.

Your gift will transform the lives of our students. Any gift, large or small, will make an impact and your contribution is greatly appreciated. Click [here](#) to donate to the Student Emergency Fund.

Tiffin University's Current Programs and Online Options

Do you know someone who could be a future Dragon? Are you interested in learning more about Tiffin University and the programs that we offer today? By clicking the TU Viewbook link below, you will take a closer look at what it is like to be on campus today. If you have any questions or would like a brochure mailed to you, please contact Dr. Amy Wood at WoodAR@tiffin.edu.

[Tiffin University Viewbook](#)



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You can now support Tiffin University on your favorite iPhone and Android phones!



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- 1. Join AmazonSmile** - If you are not already an AmazonSmile member, [sign up](#) on your web browser. Simply select Tiffin University to start generating donations at no cost to you.
- 2. Get the app** - Download or update to the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app on your phone. You can find it in the [App Store](#) for iOS or [Google Play](#) for Android.
- 3. Turn on AmazonSmile** - Open the app and find 'Settings' in the main menu (☰). Tap on 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

TU Specialty License Plate

If you are an Ohio resident, you can show pride in Tiffin University through the Collegiate License Plate Program, sponsored by the State of Ohio. You can get your TU specialty license plate at your local Bureau of Motor Vehicle location.



Graduate Alumni Discount

Graduate and undergraduate students whose master's and/or bachelor's degrees were obtained from Tiffin University will be eligible to receive a \$150 per credit hour discount toward the doctoral program for Ph.D. in Global Leadership and Change. Students who receive this discount are not eligible to receive additional types of Tiffin University's discounts.



Questions? Contact Dr. Amy Wood, Vice President for Enrollment Management at woodar@tiffin.edu.

Volunteer Opportunities

Alumni Association Board

What We Do - Tiffin University's Alumni Association (TUAA) Board meets three times per year and assists in planning many special events on campus and in communities around the country.



Our Mission - To be ambassadors of excellence, leadership and service for Tiffin University and act as a resource for the Office of Alumni Relations in building programs that support lifelong connections to Tiffin University alumni and friends.

Join Us - Serve at the highest level of alumni volunteerism by joining TU's Alumni Association Board. Alumni interested in joining the board can email Vickie Wilkins, wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu.

Admissions Volunteer

Our alumni are our international ambassadors! You create invaluable word-of-mouth marketing and take your knowledge of TU to your hometowns, countries and into your professional and social networks. By communicating with prospective students, you will enable Tiffin University to expand into diverse places. By helping the institution become bigger, stronger and more successful, you are also enhancing the value of your own degree qualification. You illustrate the benefits of a TU education by sharing your collegiate experience and professional success with prospective students. Click [here](#) to read the volunteer duties and responsibilities.

Goals and Objectives

- To create meaningful points of contact between TU alumni, prospective students and their families.
- To increase the number of competitive and qualified students considering TU and to increase the percentage of admitted students enrolling.
- To provide assistance to the University's admissions efforts.
- To increase alumni engagement with TU.

You may be the reason a student chooses to become a Tiffin Dragon! If you are interested in participating as an admissions volunteer, click [here](#) to fill out a short application.

Career Mentor Volunteer

Have you ever thought about being a **career mentor**?

Sharing your talent is a great way to give back to TU and assist others at the same time. The *Dragon Connect* program makes the process very easy to manage. Some of the basic expectations of a career mentor in our *Dragon Connect* program include: maintaining your profile, exercising patience, offering advice, and posting a job or internship in [College Central Network](#).

Still have questions about being a career mentor? Looking for other ways to connect with students and offer career advice? Feel free to reach out to the Career Services Office at careerservices@tiffin.edu.

Ready to sign up? Register at collegecentral.com/tiffin and click on the Career Mentoring Network.

Hire a Dragon!

Is your company looking for an intern or a connection to fill an open position? Encourage them to recruit from your alma mater! After all, if they're glad they hired you, they'll likely be excited about seeking candidates who share your educational experiences. (And attracting good talent to your team will also reflect well on you.)

Post your open positions on our job board at collegecentral.com/tiffin or contact us to schedule a date to host a recruiting table on campus.

We look forward to working with you!

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