



March 2022



Note from TU Alumni Director

Greetings, Dragon Nation!

We had a great time visiting with alumni and friends at our annual FORE Fun in Florida Golf Outing and Social on Saturday, February 19. After not being able to host the event last year, it was great to get back down to the sunshine state. Thank you to those who participated in the outing as well as the online auction, sponsored by Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP.

There are a number of athletic alumni events coming up in March and April, including softball, men's and women's tennis, men's and women's soccer and baseball. You can find all the details and sign ups below in our "Upcoming Events" section. We will continue to add events throughout the spring so please check out our [events page](#), social media and your email for the latest information regarding our upcoming events on campus and near you.

As many of you know, we're in the process of developing our next TU Strategic Plan. We need your help in refining our work. Please help us by taking a short survey by clicking the link below.

Alumni Blog

Did you know we have an alumni blog that features our alumni's accomplishments and stories? Find out more, from those who have found their lane at TU – and excelled.

Check out the alumni blog here: tiffin.edu/blog

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

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Go Gons!

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.

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.



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News on Campus

Tiffin University to Host Annual International Dinner

On behalf of the Office of International Affairs, TU is pleased to announce their upcoming sponsored event, the Annual International Dinner, to be held on March 12 in the Heminger Center. The event will take place from 6-8 p.m. with doors opening at 5:30. The price of admission is \$15, and children 12 and under may attend free of charge. The evening's theme is "all the places you will go."



Several precautionary measures will be taken to ensure the safety of all guests, including limited ticket sales and a max of six guests to be seated at each table. In addition, tickets will not be sold at the door to ensure continued control over maintaining an appropriate audience size.

"Our office is very excited to celebrate the successes of our 136 current international students," says Caitlyn Bass, Manager of International Affairs. "I am honored to work for an institution committed to celebrating diversity and cultural uniqueness, not only within our student population, but among faculty and staff as well. We have over 15 full-time employees coming from varying cultural backgrounds, and this event is just as much for them as it is for the students."

Many students, faculty and staff from the 31 countries represented within the TU community will be in attendance, and hope to see many members of the public there.

For more information, please contact Caitlyn Bass, Manager of International Affairs at 419.448.3287 or email basscg@tiffin.edu.

For ticket sales, please visit tiffin.edu/31st-annual-international-dinner.

DragonNext advantage

Terra State Community College (TSCC) and Tiffin University (TU) has expanded the DragonNext advantage to help students seamlessly transfer and receive education discounts through the partnership.

“We are thrilled to continue our 20+ year partnership with TSCC,” said TU President Dr. Lillian Schumacher, TU President. “The DragonNext program was created to meet students' needs and provides a great cost-benefit advantage for them. The program is intended to provide a seamless transition from associate to bachelor's degree, and it aligns perfectly with TU's strategic focus on student success.”

The DragonNext advantage is designed to save students time and money. Online and extended learning students are eligible for a discount. TSCC courses align with TU courses allowing students to seamlessly transfer once they complete their associate's degree.

For admission information, contact Kelly Petrosino in TU's Office of Undergraduate Admissions at petrosinoka@tiffin.edu or 567.230.2326.



Real World Ready – Matt Iannantuono's Experience with the DragonNext Program

Matt Iannantuono, a graduate of Tiffin University and Terra State Community College's DragonNext Program, is living proof that there are multiple paths to success, and his story helps to debunk the stigma that there is only one “right” way to kick-start a career.

Click [here](#) to read about Matt's DragonNext journey.



Taste of Tiffin Care Package

Want to send your student a special treat?

The Dragon Family Council care package features all items from Tiffin, Ohio! Items in the basket include a Chamber Cash gift certificate (\$10), two bags of TU Blazin' BBQ Chips, a Dragon Chocolate from Simply Susan's, TU lanyard, a chocolate truffle from Ralph's Joy of Living, a Frozone gift card (\$5), a Sabaidee gift card (\$5), a Dragon Brew gift card (\$5) and a Madison Street Tavern (MST) gift card for a half-pound of chicken chunks. All items come in a reusable yellow TU plastic bucket.



Pre-order the care package now until March 4, 2022 today at tiffin.edu/advancement/giving/dragon-family-council. Cost is \$55 per basket.

For more information email kingmr@tiffin.edu.

Tiffin University to Host Annual Forensic Science & Criminalistics Academy Camp

Tiffin University's Forensic Science and Criminalistics Academy Camp will host its annual program this summer from June 13-16 on campus. Each session is open to high school students in grades 9-12, and the minimum age requirement for participation is 14. The camp encourages all young people with an interest in investigation and an affinity for forensics to enroll.



Campers will work in small groups with qualified instructors who have experience in the areas of crime scene analysis, federal law enforcement, forensic science and criminal justice. They will study both a theoretical and applied curriculum with the purpose of learning how to assist in criminal investigations. This approach draws from the academic fields of chemistry, biology and law.

Some fan-favorite lessons and activities include staged crime scene investigative processes, the collection of evidence through autopsies, forensic anthropology, blood spatter analysis, fire forensics, ballistics and courtroom testimony. Students will also tour a medical center, write investigatory reports, take part in the President John F. Kennedy Shot Sequence Competition and learn about relevant career opportunities.

Space is limited to 40 campers, so interested students are encouraged to register as soon as possible. For more information and registration, visit tiffin.edu/artsci/forensic-science-academy.

Questions can be directed to Dr. Amy Wood at woodar@tiffin.edu.

What's Next - Strategic Innovation

Tiffin Innovation Program Launched on January 26

The Tiffin Innovation Program (TIP), a new business startup incubator for TU students began on Wednesday, January 26. Seven teams began the 90-day program and will meet at 6 p.m. each Wednesday through April 27 on TU's campus in the Gillmor Student Center, Osceola Theatre.

The curriculum will take the teams through ideation, product research, building and using talent in a startup, finding market fit, talking with investors and fundraising, understanding PR and making connections important to startups.



Guest speakers will talk to the teams about their story and work with teams to refine their business, positioning, and funding options. Guest speakers include entrepreneurs from Facebook, Logitech, Amazon, Bus.Com and many more.

On April 27, teams will be reviewing their startups and will be exposed to venture capitalists and private equity organizations in hopes of raising funds for their business. Students, faculty, alumni and the public are encouraged to come and observe.

For more information, please email tuconnects@tiffin.edu.

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

Sports Scene

As our winter teams start to look at conference and national championships, our spring teams are gearing up for their seasons. To keep up to date on Dragons Athletics, visit gotiffindragons.com.



As a reminder, there are no capacity limitations. However, to attend any Dragon home competition you must have a ticket.

Spectators are required to wear a mask at all indoor events on TU's campus.

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

TiffinArts programs to produce Rent

Sponsored by Reineke Family Dealerships

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 soon. Please find more information at tiffinmusic.com/rent.

FestiVox

On Friday, April 1, TU hosts FestiVox, its annual festival for high school a cappella, vocal jazz and contemporary vocal ensembles. Guest artists include Trist Curless of The Manhattan Transfer, recording artist and TU alum PRISCA and Sing-Off vocalist & beatboxer Selame Scarlett.

Information and registration: tiffinmusic.com/festivox



FusionFest 2022

TU hosts its annual instrumental music festival, FusionFest 2022 on Friday, April 8. This educational festival will host high school bands from around the region, and will feature the Chicago funk-soul band Bassel & the Supernaturals.

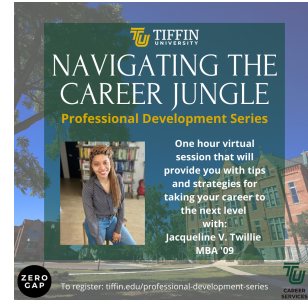
Information and registration: tiffinmusic.com/fusionfest



Career Services

Navigating the Career Jungle - Professional Development Series

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 spring semester. 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. All sessions will take place at 11 a.m. (EST).



Visit tiffin.edu/professional-development-series to register.

- March 9 - 7 Powerful Tips to Boost Emotional Intelligence
- April 13 - Embracing Difficult Situations in the Workplace

Jacqueline V. Twillie holds an MBA in Leadership from Tiffin University and is the Founder and President of ZeroGap.co, a global training and development firm that specializes in women's leadership within male-dominated industries. She's the Amazon Best Selling Author of "Navigating The Career Jungle." Jacqueline has been featured in Forbes, FastCo, Essence Now, Black Enterprise, Parade, Today.com, NBC BLK and more. Her life's mission is to eliminate the gender wage gap by providing practical strategy for women to advance and thrive in leadership roles within male-dominated industries.

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.



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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.

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. The first pitch is at 1 p.m. We will do alumni introductions in between games.

Click [here](#) to register.



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.

Click [here](#) to register.



Soccer Alumni Weekend

Friday, April 8 - Saturday, April 9

Men's and women's soccer alumni and their families are invited to join us for soccer alumni weekend. We will kick off the weekend on Friday, April 8 at 6 p.m. at The Renaissance for small bites and socializing.

On Saturday, we will dedicate a TU bench in memory of Margaret E. Gutzwiller and Elizabeth Snyder at 10:30 a.m. outside of the Heminger Center.

The men's alumni game will take place at 11 a.m. immediately following the bench dedication. The women's alumni game will be at 3 p.m. Both games will take place in the turf room.

Click [here](#) to register.



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. The first pitch is at noon. We will do alumni introductions in between games.



Click [here](#) to register.

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!

Click [here](#) to register.



TU Comes to YOU!

March - April 2022

We are in the planning stages of several alumni TU Comes to YOU events including: 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

Call for Nominations - Alumni Awards

Tiffin University is proud of our alumni, and we want to take the opportunity each year to honor their achievements. The Alumni Achievement Award, the Young Alumni Achievement Award and the Alumni Service Award are presented each year to showcase the contributions made by our alumni. Each award is presented to a TU graduate with these qualifications:

- Display strong personal integrity and character
- Volunteer service to their community and society
- Able to receive the award on campus, barring any extenuating circumstances
- Current TU employees or Board of Trustee members are not eligible for nomination



The Alumni Awards will be presented Green & Gold - Homecoming & Family Weekend on September 30 - October 1. The nomination period ends on April 30. The nominations will be vetted and selected by the Alumni Association Board Award sub-committee.

For additional award information and criteria and to submit a nomination please visit tiffin.edu/advancement/alumni/awards.

AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping App

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



How to turn on AmazonSmile in the mobile app:

- 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 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.



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 for students so they can find success on their educational journey.



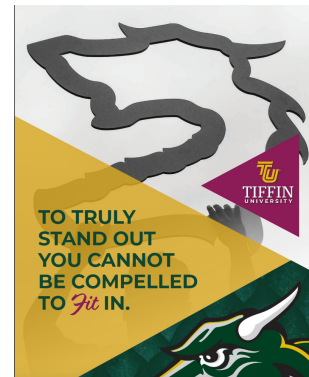
COVID will continue to impact our students. While we don't know what the future holds, we do know that, together, we can help those we serve rise above.

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](#)



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 and Student Success 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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