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A newsletter for the Parents and Family Association

The Parents and Family Association at Mount Union exists to provide an environment for you to be actively involved, engaged, and committed to the life and mission of the University of Mount Union and the success of all students.

Mark Your Calendar

September

2 – Labor Day (no classes)
21 – [Family Day](#) and [Artfest](#)

October

11-14 – Fall Break
15 – Classes Resume
18-20 – [Alumni Weekend and Homecoming](#)



Upcoming Events



Football Fan Bus Trip

Join us on a bus trip for the first football game of the season! The bus will depart Mount Union at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 7 from the Gulling Training Center parking lot and will return to Alliance immediately following the game.

Cost is \$65 per person and \$25 for Mount Union students. Game ticket is not included in this purchase. Space is limited. RSVP by Wednesday, September 4.

[Reserve Your Seat](#)

Planning on driving to the game? Stop by the pre-game gathering! Just look for the Raider flag outside of the stadium at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Family Day

Save the date for Family Day on Saturday, September 21, 2019. View a [full calendar of events and register](#) your family online. Registration is now open.

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership at (330) 829-2764 or email stanleja@mountunion.edu.

Career and Graduate School Fair

Students who are seeking jobs or internships can meet recruiters from a wide variety of industries during the Career and Graduate School Fair on Thursday, October 3, 2019 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Peterson Field House. The event is open to freshmen through seniors of all majors.

Students who are planning to attend graduate school can meet with admission representatives from multiple disciplines from colleges across the region.

Talk to your students about their plans for next semester and next summer. Recruiters start looking for talent early, and they only come to campus once a year, so please encourage your student to attend.

Campus News and "Need to Know" Information

University of Mount Union Welcomes Class of 2023 in Annual Matriculation Convocation

The University of Mount Union officially welcomed its newest class of students during the annual [Matriculation Convocation](#) ceremony held Sunday afternoon.



The Class of 2023 began the academic year with a ceremony held in the Timken Gymnasium of the McPherson Academic and Athletic Complex. Members of the Class of 2023 come from Alaska, Alabama, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, North Carolina, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, China, France, Germany, Ghana, Hong Kong, Japan, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, and Spain.

Student Mailing Address

To send a letter or package to your student, please address it using the format below with their Campus Mail Box (CMB):

Student Name, CMB ###
University of Mount Union
1972 Clark Ave.
Alliance, OH 44601

Letters and small packages without tracking numbers will be placed in the student's mailbox. Packages with tracking numbers will be scanned into our system and the student will receive an email letting them know they have a package to pick up at the Physical Plant Mail Center. The Mail Center is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Student Employment

Is your student looking for an on-campus job? Send them to the [Online Job Book](#) to view the available job opportunities. The link will require your student to use their campus log-in and password to access iRaider, our campus portal.

Student Involvement

Encourage your student to take what they're doing in the classroom and put some of that academic knowledge to use in one of Mount Union's 80-plus [student organizations](#), or by joining a [fraternity or sorority](#), [theatre production](#), [musical ensemble](#), and/or [intramural](#) or [athletic team](#). Some of their most memorable experiences might happen within one of the many student life offerings that await them at Mount Union!

[Community service opportunities](#) for the fall semester are abundant as well! Check out the [Regula Center Annual Report](#) to see highlights of students and projects from last year!



The Civic Corners are a great place for students to contact their elected officials, register to vote and request an absentee ballot. Located in Campus Grounds and the KHIC Café, these kiosks provide information and forms. The Regula Center covers the cost of postage for any forms turned in through the kiosk.

10 Reasons Why Teens Have So Much Anxiety Today

Article by College Parent Central

Societal changes like mobile devices, peer pressure, and major life changes are causing more American teenagers to suffer from severe anxiety than ever before. Learn more about the [top 10 reasons](#) and how you can help your student in adjusting to a new environment.

The University Store and Ordering Textbooks

Now that the school year is underway, it's time purchase all your necessary class materials – including textbooks – if you haven't already. Follow these stress-free, step-by-step instructions and cross "purchasing textbooks" off that college to-do list! Make sure your class schedule is nearby.

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THE UNIVERSITY STORE SHOP ONLINE TEXTBOOKS

The University Store has partnered with MBS Direct. This partnership now makes online ordering of course materials effortless as MBS Direct is the largest textbook supplier in the nation. Please use the following steps to order your course materials.

- ➔ Visit shop.mountunion.edu.
- ➔ Click the textbooks tab.
- ➔ Select the "buy or rent" option.
- ➔ You will have the option to either get started or create an account.
- ➔ Now enter your student id number excluding leading zeros.
- ➔ Your schedule will prepopulate. If your schedule does not appear, you are able to view your course materials in the drop down menus.
- ➔ The course materials for the class will appear along with purchasing options.
- ➔ A "no thanks" option will appear as well if you do not wish to purchase an item.
- ➔ The following page provides additional options and materials.
- ➔ Proceed to checkout.

For more information on MBS Direct please visit mountunion.edu/mbs-direct-textbooks or for questions regarding ordering please contact MBS Direct at (800) 325-3252. Reminder: **FREE shipping** on orders placed through August 8, 2019 if you have chosen to use school address.

The new University Store hours for the 2019-2020 year are:

- Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. (Regular Season Home Games 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.)

The [University Store website](#) is available 24/7.

Parents and Family Facebook Group

The Parents and Family Association at Mount Union exists to provide an environment for you to be actively involved, engaged, and committed to the life and mission of the University of Mount Union and the success of all students.

Parents and family members are invited to join this private group as a way to start conversations, ask questions, and more.

[Join the Facebook Group](#)

Financial Aid and Billing

The Office of Business Affairs wants to make sure you are aware of dates that will be of importance to you and your student:

- Payment for fall semester is now overdue. Accounts with outstanding balances will be charged a late fee of 1%. If you are awaiting scholarship money, please contact them directly to confirm when we should receive the funds.
- Accounts with balances above \$500 will be placed on hold. This means your student will not have access to view grades or register for the spring 2020 semester. Transcripts will not be released to any account on hold. Accounts with balances at or below \$500 or those that are up to date on their monthly payment plan are considered current.
- Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Should you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us at (800) 992-6682, extension 6554.

The Mount Union Fund



Since our son has been at Mount Union, my husband and I can hardly believe the young man he has become. Watching him grow and discover his passions has been so rewarding for our family!

Contributing to The Mount Union Fund each year is one of the ways we show support for the excellent faculty, outstanding academics, athletics, co-curriculars, and service opportunities that our son and his classmates enjoy each day.

Will you join me with a special gift in honor of our students?

Visit giving.mountunion.edu to give securely online today.

Dana Hutchins
Mother of Billy Hutchins '20

[Make A Gift](#)

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