

# U-CONNECT

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

### October

11-14 – Fall Break

15 – Classes Resume

18-20 – [Alumni Weekend and Homecoming](#)

### November

26 – Thanksgiving Break begins at 11 p.m.

### December

2 – Classes Resume from Thanksgiving Break

6 – Last day of classes of the fall semester

8-12 – Final exam period



## Upcoming Events



# ALUMNI WEEKEND AND HOMECOMING 2019



## REGISTER NOW!

### ALUMNI WEEKEND AND HOMECOMING 2019

We're looking forward to seeing you back on campus!

Enjoy the Alumni Brunch, Run-A-MUC, Greek open houses, athletic events, reunions, tours, and so much more!

Visit the Mount Union [website](#) for more information!

## Campus News and "Need to Know" Information

### Mount Union Once Again Named A Top College, Best Value by U.S. News and World Report

For the 29th consecutive year, the University of Mount Union has been recognized as a top college by U.S. News and World Report.



Mount Union was ranked 13th among Midwest Regional Colleges in U.S. News and World Report's 2020 Best Colleges rankings. The Midwest Regional category includes institutions from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The institution was also ranked ninth for Best Value, which takes into account the ratio of quality to price, the percentage of undergraduates that receive need-based aid, and the total scholarship/need-based aid received by students. Read more [here!](#)

### 2 Fairs in 1 Day! Career and Graduate School Fair – October 3!

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. Recruiters only come to campus once a year, so please encourage your student to attend. View a list of [participating employers and graduate programs](#).

## Financial Aid and Billing

Through student employment, our students have the opportunity to earn money while gaining experience to prepare them for employment after graduation. There are a variety of openings across campus, as well as some Federal Work Study community service positions with local non-profit organizations. All current openings can be found in the [\\*Student Job Book](#) in iRaider under “Quick Links.” Student employment is a great chance to build skills and a resume while providing support to the university and community.

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 have been 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.

*\*Requires access to Mount Union's student, faculty, and staff portal. Please share this link with your student, who will be able to access it with the proper University credentials.*

## Parking and Vehicles

The University of Mount Union permits students to have and park their cars on campus. Parking is \$100 per academic year for commuter, residential, and graduate students. Students must park in the designated lots to avoid accruing parking violation fees. Below, you will find more information on registering a vehicle, designated parking areas, fines, etc.

Traveling to Mount Union? Learn more about [directions to campus](#) and the city of [Alliance](#).

Find additional information about registration, permits, violations, and appeals [here](#).

## Fraternity and Sorority Life

Did your student join the Greek life community at Mount Union?

Fraternities and sororities give members the opportunity to network with alumni/ae and interact with mentors who have made a successful transition from college to the workforce. The Greek system provides a wide variety of events that help bring members of different chapters together, whether through educational workshops and lectures, social events, retreats, or service projects.

Over 125 years ago, fraternity and sorority life came to Mount Union. These organizations were founded upon tradition, values and opportunities for building relationships with fellow classmates that would last past just the years on campus.

## Student Involvement

On September 14, students participated in Super Service Saturday as part of the Regula Center and painted fire hydrants throughout the city of Alliance. They also participated in a clean-up of the Stark Park trails on September 28 and will have the opportunity to participate in two campus-wide service projects each month throughout the year. October will include pillow case making for the Valentine Project and Trick-or-Treat for Canned Goods. We are also organizing Roll Out Kindness, a paper products collection for veterans until Veterans Day (November 11). Students can register for these events on the Mount Union website within the [monthly programming section](#) of the Regula Center page.



The Regula Center is helping students register to vote and request absentee ballots. Additionally, we celebrated National Voter Registration Day on September 24 and were recently awarded a grant that will fund giveaways that encourage voter engagement.

## Parent and Family Facebook Page

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](#)

## The Mount Union Fund



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"Since our son has been at Mount Union, my husband and I can hardly believe the young man he has become," explained Dana Hutchins, mother of Billy Hutchins '20. "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](http://giving.mountunion.edu) to give securely online today.

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## Helpful Links

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[Student Success](#) | [Study Abroad](#) | [University Store](#)

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