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Take a look at A-State's spring semester in review!

Petition to bring credit/no credit back falls short of its goal

Institutional scholarships to be renewed automatically for 2021-2022 academic award year

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The student-started petition to bring the credit/no credit option back to campus this spring did not accomplish its goal.

Sophomore computer science major Christian

Huggins started the petition on April 8 after Provost Alan Utter's announcement that the option would not be available this spring.

Huggins emphasized many struggles students faced this semester because of the pandemic in his reasoning for starting the petition.

However, according to Huggins, the Faculty Senate brought up the petition last week and voted against it.

Although credit/no credit will not be coming back this semester, A-State Chancellor Dr. Kelly Dampousse announced in an April 14 email to students that scholarships for the 2021-

2022 academic award year would automatically be renewed.

"We want you to be as successful as possible with your degree, and we all know the significant strain and challenges that we have all faced during the past year of pandemic response," Dampousse said in the email. "In an effort to

relieve some of that strain, the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships will be renewing your institutional scholarship automatically for the 2021-2022 academic award year."

Dampousse noted in the email students will still need to stay enrolled in 15 credit hours at A-State when

enrollment is locked on the 11th day of each semester.

"One last reminder - now that your institutional scholarship is in place for next year, don't forget to register soon," Dampousse said. "We are planning to be back to on-campus class for fall 2021, and I'm looking forward to seeing you here."

SAB, NPHC hosts spades tournament and fish fry on Heritage Plaza Front Lawn

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The Student Activities Board and the National Pan-Hellenic Council at Arkansas State University partnered to hold a fish fry and spades tournament Monday on the lawn of the Student Union.

The event included free food from H2QUE BBQ that included a piece of fish, hush puppies and fries. It also had games like cornhole and spikeball. The spades tournament included multiple teams. It was a great turnout, especially during the pandemic.

Shannon Stewart said, "It is way more people than I expected."

With the event being held right outside of the Student Union, many students left the Union to come outside and join in some good food, good fun and good music.

Arkysia Whitehead, a sophomore from Little Rock said, "It was great."



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. members at the SAB and NPHC fish fry and spades tournament Monday night on the Heritage Plaza Lawn in front of the Student Union.

Many students like Undre Brunson said, "It was just

good to have a reason to leave the room. With COVID-19

ruining things, it was good to have an event like this."

Students of all walks of life could be spotted at the event.

From athletes, to international students, to grad students.

The campus community was given a glimpse of normalcy that was very much needed after abnormal fall and spring college semesters. However, all students were still required to wear masks and keep a physical distance from one another.

Aliya Pope, a sophomore from Little Rock, said the event was cool and that things are getting back to normal.

This week is Alpha Week for A-State's Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. The fraternity just announced a new line of Alphas March 19. At the cookout, they allowed themselves to get pied in the face to raise money.

For \$2, a student could let out their frustration with one of the members of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity by smashing a pie in their face. Other fraternities and sororities were represented at this event. Many fraternities strolled, which is a major part of Greek life.

Students can register for fast paced summer Maymester interim session

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Maymester is a three-week online term starting May 10 through May 31. Registration is currently open for Maymester. Students must be advised before registering.

Courses offered during Maymester include:

- Applied Agricultural Stats,
- Ind Cattle Reproduction AI,
- Sp Cattle Reproduction AI,
- Desktop Publishing and Publication,
- Ideation,
- First Aid and Safety,
- Drug Use and Abuse,
- Seminar in Professional Devel,
- Intro to Theatre,
- Professional Nursing Role,
- Health Care

- Administration,
 - Motivation,
 - Educational Psychology,
 - Abnormal Psychology,
 - Medical Terminology.
- courses offered include:
- Fine Arts Visual,
 - Introduction to Politics,
 - Intro to U.S. Government,
 - Introduction to Psychology.

According to Natalie Cline, summer school coordinator, "Summer sessions are a great way to take courses that you may have missed out on during the current academic year and to get a head start on the fall 2021 semester."

Maymester can offer some advantages such as catching up on credits, fulfilling prerequisites or maintaining scholarships.

While students can take up to two classes during Maymester, it's really meant for students to focus on one

class intensely for three weeks.

The price of tuition during Maymester is the same per credit hour as tuition during the regular academic year. A three-credit course is typically \$950.

Financial aid for Maymester may be available for those who qualify. Maymester classes are attached to the summer award package. Financial aid for summer will start being distributed in June.

Maymester is an online term, but housing for summer will still be available. Current residents can move into their summer reservations on May 21. New residents can move in on May 28 for the Summer I term and July 2 for Summer II.

Residential communities open for undergraduate students this summer include ROTC/STEM, Greek Village, Red Wolf Den, Pack Place and Collegiate Park. For graduate students, the Village and the Circle will be open over the summer.



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