

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

January 29

Basketball 6:00p.m.

Game Night in Coltrane
Underground hosted by
Campus Rec 8:00p.m.

January 30

Ski/Snowboard Trip with
Outdoor Rec

January 31

Clinic on Bike Maintenance
in the Stamey Underground

Spring Outdoor Fitness
Series

Open Mic Night 8:00p.m.
hosted by CAB

February 1

Basketball 6:00p.m.

Wilderness Job Fair in the
Reserve Dining Room from
11:00a.m. – 2:00p.m.

February 3

Basketball 2:00p.m.

College women outpacing men

By Samantha Van Vynck
Daily Collegian (Penn State)

(U-WIRE) UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - A new report released earlier this month suggests colleges may have a more successful female student body than male.

The National Freshman Attitudes Report by Noel-Levitz indicates the findings stem from the different attitudes men and women have toward studying.

Noel-Levitz, an organization geared toward helping college campuses exceed in their enrollment, marketing, and student success goals, surveyed nearly 100,000 incoming freshmen at 292 private and two-and four-year public colleges during their initial weeks on campus.

The study found that both men and women approach their freshman year highly motivated, but male students didn't list having study habits and high intellectual interests as often as women did.

"This study has to do with what percentage of men and women respond in different ways [to college]," said Pam Jennings, associate vice president of marketing for Noel-Levitz. "Overall, students have a high expectation that they

are going to complete a degree when they come in as brand new freshmen, but that isn't happening."

The report suggests that the disparities between the two genders may begin with the individual academic methods males and females use, such as studying and reading, to be successful in the classroom.

The findings show that freshmen men are more likely than women to admit that their studying is irregular and unpredictable and that books have never been a source of excitement. The numbers demonstrate that women enjoy reading more and taking careful notes, which is a factor in why women are doing well, according to the study. Pennsylvania State University Professor of sociology, demography, and education George Farkas said he attributes these academic differences to a mixture of biology and culture.

"I do studies of achievement and take them back to kindergarten," he said. "There are gender differences in doing good school work, in paying attention, being organized and persisting in academic tasks. I see those differences in just first grade, and they are large, so there do seem to be gender dif-

ferences for older males and females," he said.

This gender gap trend is not unheard of, however.

An article published in the American Sociological Review entitled The Growing Female Advantage in College Completion: The Role of Family Background and Academic Achievement in August 2006 shows the culmination of this gender discrepancy has actually been going on since the 1960s.

"Women are more out distancing men in college education than was the case in the past," Farkas said. "The crossover point goes back a while, it just wasn't noticed so much."

Collegian staff writer Anna Zagari contributed to this report.

Board of Trustees set to meet next month

by Joseph Chilton
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The Brevard College Board of Trustees is set to meet on Friday, February 23 for their winter board meeting.

Several very important campus issues are on the list of topics for the meeting.

The 2007-08 fiscal year operating budget, as well as the tuition and fee schedule for the 2007-08 school year are among the topics for the meeting, said Cherie Tinsley, assistant to the President at Brevard College.

The Board of Trustees will also discuss Promotion and Tenure considerations at the winter board meeting.

Weekend Forecast



Friday, Jan 26

Hi 47
Lo 27



Saturday, Jan 27

Hi 55
Lo 31



Sunday, Jan 28

Hi 48
Lo 21

The weekend weather is going to be all the same, with a few clouds. Of course there will be rain, don't let the weather report fool you. It rains EVERYDAY in Brevard, even if you don't see it.

Forecast brought to you by Molly Carlson, The Weather Channel and Microsoft Paint.