FIU GLOBAL

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The office of Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Giménez offers an executive internship program to offer hands-on experience in government work, with the possibility of future employment.

The 15-week internship program allows juniors and seniors to meet County leaders and to have a first-hand observation of work, which is rare for students.

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MOMENT OF SILENCE

Sara Salahi (left), a junior studying biology, joined members of Students for Justice in Palestine in a silent protest on the grassy hills behind Graham Center, Monday, Nov. 17. The group held signs to protest the banning of Muslims from the Al-Aqsa Mosque, a sacred place in Jerusalem, Israel.
NATION & WORLD

BRIEFS

Foreign students flock to US, set record in 2013

The number of international students in the United States last year rose to a record 886,052, with Chinese students showing the biggest increase, according to the Institute of International Education.

America’s popularity is reflected in the fact that the number of international students in the U.S. is nearly double what it was 20 years ago.

Overall, 4.2 percent of students at American colleges and universities are from other countries.

Several popular destination universities, however, international students make up 15 to 20 percent of student body.

Meanwhile, more than 289,000 U.S. students went abroad to study in 2012-13, the latest year for which figures are available. The numbers show that fewer than 10 percent of all U.S. college students study abroad during their undergraduate years.

For more information on the Executive Internship Program visit: www.miamidade.gov/mayor/internships.asp

MAST @ FIU: an innovative STEM academic experience

According to Welker, MAST @ FIU was designed to complement the University’s “Worlds Ahead” strategic plan of increasing the number of STEM-based programs and courses at FIU.

What began as a collaborative conversation between President Mark B. Rosenberg and Miami-Dade County Public Schools Superintendent Alberto Carvallo resulted in the “easy marriage between the original MAST concept and its iteration at BBC,” said Welker.

FIU’s partnership with the program has created a total university experience for MAST students due to their presence on campus, he said. According to MAST @ FIU, students are given access to the University’s resources which include University lecturers with leading scientists and professors, access to University internships, clubs and honors societies.

“These on-campus amenities help to supplement their academic success. "The interaction of our students will undoubtedly make them more comfortable and hopefully minimize the academic difficulties that are often observed when students leave high school and go to college," Welker said.

Christopher Jones, a senior computer science major, believes that the program will be helpful for students who wish to pursue college STEM degrees.

"A lot of students pursuing STEM are unaware of the requirements they need to meet," Jones said.

He said that the general number of math and science high school courses aren’t enough to prepare them for college courses.

“Algebra II” is required for my major, but in my high school, I believe you didn’t even need to take ‘Algebra II’ to graduate which means a lot of math catching up to do in college,” he said.

Amy Tenorio, a sophomore biomedical engineering major, said she sees the value the academy can have for up-and-coming college students from her own experiences.

"Having teachers who have a background in what you wish to study in the future is so much more helpful," Tenorio said.

“Doing something like this will definitely help lower the percent of students who drop out of STEM majors due to the fact that they can’t keep up or were not ready,” MAST @ FIU’s emphasis on early hands-on career experiences will help prepare students for the growing STEM fields which according to the U.S. Department of Commerce Economics and Statistics Administration, are projected to grow by 17 percent by 2018.

The next step for the school is its own building. According to MAST @ FIU, construction for a freestanding facility adjacent to Bay Vista Drive will be completed within the next two years. The new facility would allow the program to expand from its current 178 student capacity to 500.

"It helps that students will study in a college environment with professors who will teach them in the future so they will already gain a feel for college," said Welker.

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"We teach students about how we do business and touch people’s lives in the county," Dixon said.

Some of the intern's received job offers to continue their work experience. Upon their completion of the program, both Romero and Ocano were employed under the support of their fellow mentors.

"It is always very interesting to watch them grow from where they first started in the program being shy, not able to communicate that well until you see them grow as the program passes," said Dixon.

In addition to the seminars, tours of a new brewing science laboratory at the University will be offered to students interested in learning how to brew beer, according to Gump.

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Dark, light and pale: Sampling at South Florida beer festival

A hint of South Florida’s tropical taste in different beer craft anticipated by some of the event’s attendees.

"I feel just like we are in Florida, I like the citrus beer a lot more and the fruity kinds," said Danielys Mezerene, a senior journalism student and beer enthusiast.

Among the seminars offered at the event are “Beer Tasting 101" and “Intro to Beer Brewing.” “Beer Tasting 101" will be presented at 1 p.m. by professor Barry Gump of the University’s Brewing Science Program. “Intro to Beer Brewing" will be presented at 3 p.m. by Aaron Anderson, executive head brewer of the Biscayne Bay Company.

Food will also be included at the event, especially during the “Beer and Food Pairing" seminar which will take place at 2 p.m. with the participation of Luis Brignoni, founder of the Wynwood Brewing Company, and Juan Carlos Lopategui, corporate chef at Casavana.

"We usually see people drinking wine with their food, but I feel like beer can probably be more effective at highlighting the different flavors of the food we eat," Aristizabal said.

Food is very important with beer, like burgers. Since we are going to be walking around, maybe a mini burger or just finger food will be good," said Mezerene.

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Dress the part for success

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On Wednesday, Nov. 12, Mark Zuckerberg held his first Q&A session at Facebook and was put on the spot when questioned why he always wears the same gray T-shirt. Zuckerberg responded with a rather large spiel about how purchasing a large amount of plain gray T-shirts has allowed him to completely focus on his business rather than miniscule, pointless decisions.

This psychological answer has caused for Zuckerberg’s mentality to be compared to that of President Barack Obama’s from a 2012 Vanity Fair interview where the president admitted to only wearing gray and blue suits in an attempt to cut down the daily amount of decisions he makes. In the midst of these current comparisons, the notion that people should stop dressing for success has for some reason come up. People assume that because a 30-year-old billionaire and the president of the United States have turned to simplistic living styles, perhaps that is what causes success and power.

Zuckerberg and President Obama are not alone in what seems to suddenly be the newest trend on dressing the part. For years fashion designers and models have been praised on their simple, everyday street styles. Although they may not be as simplistic as a gray T-shirt, there is clearly no wasted time when they get dressed in the morning. Many high fashion powerhouses are now actually wearing the same thing everyday – from Michael Kors’ and Karl Lagerfeld’s signature suits to Vera Wang’s and Grace Coddington’s all-black outfits.

While it sounds incredibly tempting to dress comfortably everyday and save 15 minutes in the morning, I am going to have to disagree with the mentality – at least for now. I feel more comfortable and my own boss. Every one of these people mentioned is a public figure that has a persona to maintain and no boss to answer to at the end of the day. They only suggest dressing simply because they have all reached a place in life where they are able to do so without any repercussions.

It is extremely unlikely that if I decide to show up to work on Monday morning in a hoodie and jeans my boss would agree that it is “what I wear to comb the best interest in mind.” I would actually challenge that any of the powerhouses mentioned beforehand would not appreciate their own employees showing up to the office dressed comfortably. In the workplace, employees are expected to dress professionally on a daily basis as they denote the work, efficiency and stability of the business they represent. Merely because a handful of famous people stick to a daily uniform they are comfortable with does not suggest that everyone else should do the same with the excuse that “successful people do it, so it must create success.” These presidents, CEOs, editors and designers did not become successful because they dress simply, they dress simply because they have become successful.

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Rapper provides album that gives an ‘intergalactic-country journey’

As Andre 3000 of Outkast was met with an uproar of boos from a New York crowd at The 1995 Source Awards, he boldly stated, “the South got something to say.” Outkast would go on to become one of the highest selling-most influential hip-hop groups of all time, selling 22 million albums throughout the lifespan of their nine-year career.

Their rebuttal is as relevant as ever, as Big K.R.I.T. keeps their spirit alive with his second major label release, Cadillactica.

Big K.R.I.T. (which stands for King Remembered In Time) is a Mississippi lyricist who’s out to prove himself. After being signed to Def Jam Records in 2010 K.R.I.T. was featured as one of the members of XXL’s Freshman of the Year list, as an MC to watch for.

His first major studio release, “Live From The Underground,” was named one of the most anticipated albums of 2011 by Complex Media, yet was met with lackluster reviews, and was actually labeled as one of the most disappointing releases that year by the hip-hop blog Rap Radar.

It also didn’t help that he was one of the 11 rappers singled out on Kendrick Lamar’s “Control” verse.

It’s safe to say K.R.I.T. used all the negative energy and frustration to stay in the lab, because “Cadillactica” shows his growth as an artist.

The premise behind “Cadillactica:” K.R.I.T. creates this fictional planet, and he takes his audience down a soulful, jazzy ride which depicts the creation of how, his evolutionary theory behind it, and even features a conversation between he and his old school car.

The intro track “Creation” features a couple speaking on whether to create, then starts off with a smooth old school R&B feel to invite the listener in, the songs ends with the couple naming their creation “Cadillactica,” which is the name of this planet K.R.I.T. has created, putting two and two together – this couple birthed a planet.

One of the standout tracks is the Raphael Saadq assisted “Soul Food”. The song’s subject matter is about family dinners, where the food would bring the family together, the second verse mentions how our current generation doesn’t understand the essence of love, we’re a more promiscuous based lifestyle, rather that a stay-together bond, just like his grandparents had.

Spirituality is a topic that K.R.I.T. does not shy away from in any sense of the word. “Life” has K.R.I.T. asking for answers, finding life on this planet he’s created, with lyrics like “I was so close to the sun/I burnt the top off my roof/I travelled a million miles to uncover what most would doubt/Although I believe in God, I need proof.”

On his sophomore major label release, K.R.I.T. is finding his identity as an artist. One of the new talents he’s mastered is the soulful hook, which has K.R.I.T. singing, which is a first in his career, but the gamble pays off. In fact, my personal favorite tracks are “Third Eye”, “Angels”, and “Soul Food”, all three with soulful croons, but the first two feature K.R.I.T. singing. After having blues legend B.B. King feature on his first album’s track “Porclight”, which features K.R.I.T. it rapping as a first person perspective as a runaway slave, its good to see that King rubbed off on his music even more.

Also a first on “Cadillactica,” is the fact that the multi-talented K.R.I.T. takes a break from total control of his sound, leaving production in the hands of disc jockey Dahi and Jim. Usually K.R.I.T. writes the verse, hook, produces the beat and masters it as well.

Though the album contrasts between his laid back country tunes to more intense songs with K.R.I.T. straight flexing through his delivery, K.R.I.T. loses no quality and instead shows off his versatility.

Cadillactica is crafted for long drives, or something along the lines where one can listen in its entirety, to get the full gist of the country crafted planet. Substantial lyrics, soulful melodies, and trunk rattling bass, K.R.I.T. delivers on his intergalactic effort.

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SWIMMING

Invite for success at Columbia, Missouri

The Panthers swimming and diving team started the season strong, winning their four meets so far. FIU will be competing Nov. 20 to Nov. 22 at the Mizzou Invite.

The swimming team has already begun traveling to meet in Columbia, Missouri for the annual Mizzou Invite. The University of Missouri will host the event with West Virginia University, University of Illinois, University of New Mexico, Drury University, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and Missouri University of Science and Technology in attendance.

The Panthers have been successful in their season and one of their most unadulterated dual meet records. Wins were picked up against Florida Atlantic University, Florida Southern College, Indian River State College and Illinois State University.

Picking up these wins, Panther individuals have gained close to record breaking times and various achievements. Freshman Silvia Scalia has been quickly seen by many in Conference USA as a young athlete with outstanding results.

Scalia has made C-USA Swimmer of the Week twice with only four opportunities to perform. To go along with it, at her last event on Friday, Nov. 7, Scalia earned her fastest recorded time for the 200 backstroke with 1:58.77. The significance of this time is that it broke her previous record from Saturday, Oct. 4. The improvement on times is a great feat for a swimmer and clearly shows the progress of an athlete.

At time of 1:58.77 also puts Scalia at the top of C-USA 200 backstroke this season while earning a National Collegiate Athletic Association team B position. Showing out for her in the backstroke is the team. One hundred and forty-seconds behind her is Alumna Sonia Perez just left the program with an unforgettable impact. Gustafsdottir performs well at many events as aailer and Scalia and Queensel have much time to commit to the program and have shown early promise.

On top of showing results Horner looks to improve the program adding Zach McGinnis to the program. McGinnis is a former five-time All-American and two-time Atlantic Coast Conference Champion at Virginia Tech University now joining the coaching staff for FIU. According to

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FOOTBALL

Senior send off ends with Panther win 38-28

The Panthers (4-7) defeated the Middle Tennessee State University Raiders (5-5) on Saturday, Nov. 15, by a score of 38-28 in the team’s, what some may say, most exciting victory of the season. They will travel to the University of North Texas on Saturday, Nov. 22 to square off against the Mean Green next weekend.

After falling to Old Dominion University, the team entered the game without a bowl game to play for, and the team’s energy in the first quarter reflected that fact; the Panthers could not sustain any offense. The team did not have a single third down conversion in the first 15 minutes. Middle Tennessee’s offense, however, posted 152 yards of offense in the first quarter.

Three touchdown passes from Middle Tennessee quarterback Austin Grammer boosted his team to a 21-3 lead. Momentum shifted to the Panthers midway through the second quarter in the form of a punt return to the 50-yard line by cornerback Richard Leonard. Quarterback Alex McGough targeted tight end Jonnu Smith on a variety of short and intermediate passes that drive, including Smith’s 10-yard tackle-breaking touchdown. Both McGough and Smith ended the day with three touchdowns, which were personal records for both players.

Great win for us, great win for the program, and very proud of the guys after falling behind 21-3 for fighting.

Ron Turner
Head Coach
FIU Football

The Panthers flashed the team’s fighting spirit with the 20-yard touchdown run from Jeremiah Colimon. The Panthers’ offense began to struggle again and punt the ball away to Middle Tennessee with 4:23 left. There wasn’t a typical fourth quarter letdown, however, because safety Demarquis Perkins sealed the win with an interception with 4:06 left.

Middle Tennessee would break the scoring streak with a 10-yard touchdown run from Jeremiah Bryson. The Panthers’ defense began to struggle again and punt the ball away to Middle Tennessee with 4:23 left. There wasn’t a typical fourth quarter letdown, however, because safety Demarquis Perkins sealed the win with an interception with 4:06 left.

The Panthers flashed a side of fight in them versus Middle Tennessee that was rarely on display this season. Although they are unable to participate in a bowl game, and assignments are not always rewarded, the Panthers cannot reach six wins, the team will nonetheless look to pull out another win versus the Mean Green next weekend.
Panthers hope for continued success at Mizzou Invitational

Regardless of their success, speaking to the swimmers when they have a chance, it is evident of their determination and I feel that they are increasing their workload on top of that. I am expecting this team to do well at these impact players were to leave. Calabrese would have more work cut out for him next season. The fact is that this Panthers team clicked at spontaneous times throughout the year, yet never consistently.

2015 will provide more of the ups-and-downs and in-between roller coaster rides. Will next season be a ride with hoops and corkscrows or smooth sailing to a tournament berth? If this past season was any indication, please keep your hands and feet inside the vehicle at all times, and hopefully you aren’t suffering from motion sickness.

JAMES PROFETTO

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What a ride: Men’s soccer season review

Scott Calabrese came into 2014 with a winner’s mentality. Hailing from East Tennessee State University, Calabrese had a six-year stint as their head coach and four consecutive seasons of 10 or more wins (2010-13). The Panthers’ 6-9-1 record broke that consecutive streak and landed the Panthers almost dead last in Conference-USA, finishing eighth (Florida Atlantic University was last).

The season had its highs, beginning with beating a nationally ranked team at the University of Michigan. The Panthers were knocked back to reality after a 3-0 loss at Michigan State University. It took four more games to finally grab a win. The first half of the season needed the scoring of senior forward Quentin Albrecht, who took a little while to get going. But when he did, he provided eight goals on the year.

The non-conference record for the Panthers was respectable; a 4-3-1 record, which included a few ranked opponents, is nothing to scoff at. Arguably the best win of the year came against San Diego State University, who was a top-tier team projected to win big against the then 1-3-1 Panthers. An overtime, game-winning bicycle kick goal by Albrecht sparked hype and promise behind Calabrese and the boys. Florida Gulf Coast University was another win for the Panthers, making it two in a row.

Then, it went all downhill. Calabrese suffered a four-game losing streak, digging them into a hole that not even the timeliest of light could shine through. One of the uglier losses of the year came against South Carolina University, in the middle of the losing streak. The Panthers were leading 2-1 in the second half, then gave up two goals minutes apart from each other to make it 3-2. Then, junior midfielder Daniel Gonzalez and senior midfielder Roberto Alterio scored seconds behind one another to make it 4-3. SC scored a goal minutes after Alterio to equalize, then the game winner with three seconds left in the match. That was the match that broke the camels’ back. The Panthers only won three games from that point on to finish 6-9-1.

Where does the blame go? Is there blame to even go around or is it just “unlucky”? Let’s break down the defense.

The Panthers out-shot opponents this season 229-188, yet were outscored 28-23 in goals. Not too sloppy, but concerning, especially with five red cards that changed plenty of games. The Panthers committed four penalties and that resulted in four goals. Opponents were shooting a 0.149 percent during the season compared to the Panthers’ 0.100 percent.

On offense, all the scoring came off the boot of Albrecht with eight goals, then Alterio with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with eight goals, then Alterio with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with eight goals, then Alterio with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with eight goals, then Alterio with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with eight goals, then Alterio with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with eight goals, then Alterio with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with eight goals, then Alterio with three. Nobody scratched double-digit scoring during the year. Gonzalez, a speedster with eight goals, then Alterio with three.

So, where does the blame go? I believe there’s not one answer, but the reality is the Panthers were bottom-dwellers in C-USA (2-6). This team had four senior players in defender Sean McFarlane, midfielder Nelson Milsaint, Albrecht and Alterio. If all of these impact players were to leave, Calabrese would have more work cut out for him next season. The fact is that this Panthers team clicked at spontaneous times throughout the year, yet never consistently.

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JAMES PROFETTO
Female bosses know the struggle

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I have met and talked to many college students with big dreams. They aim for the stars and don’t want to simply find a job after graduation. They want to become leaders and start businesses of their own.

This is true for men and women, but the perception society has of both is a little skewed, with women often finding themselves fighting to earn the same level of respect and opportunity as their male counterparts.

The power struggle female bosses endure from male employees is shocking. I know this because I listen and watch other women in higher positions deal with discrimination because of their gender.

I’ve witnessed men flirting with their female bosses in the workplace. These men have a different tone of voice when they talk to them, as opposed to their male bosses.

Would male employees be extra friendly to their female boss? This is not only a fight over power, but over respect. Women shouldn’t have to fight for respect in the workplace or be subjected to sexual harassment by men.

When male employees are flirty and overly friendly with their female bosses, it affects their job performance and only feeds the gender roles embedded in society.

Last week at the Biscayne Bay Campus, a talk organized by the Society of Professional Journalists took place, where three women leaders in the workforce discussed their experiences as female bosses.

One woman talked about her family and how it is hard to balance things out between a job, having a good marriage and raising children. It is definitely not easy, but it is manageable and if done right, it is also very fulfilling.

Different companies have different policies and female employees and bosses have more to consider than men because of the possibility of becoming a mother one day.

Flexibility and support at a company is very important. It has gotten better over the years, but it is not optimal because working women face a lot of pressure when making the decision of becoming a mother.

When female bosses and employees become mothers they feel guilty. They miss out on something at home or they miss out at work. The key to this is to find a balance and have achievable goals in both places.

It won’t be easy, but it is possible to be a successful and respected female boss. Thanks to many brave and strong women who helped to build a path for future working women like myself. Now, I too strive to own a business one day and do my best.

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University to aid advancing STEM fields through dual enrollment for county schools

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To gear up future Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Transformation Institute students, Biscayne Bay Campus has fostered an innovative experience for high school students.

With last fall’s opening of the Marine Academy of Science and Technology, a four year high school magnet program, students interested in STEM fields complete two years’ worth of college credits by graduation. The program’s curriculum includes high school and college courses like honors, Advanced Placement, and dual enrollment courses.

University — prompting MAST @ FIU to be the only university-based public high school in Miami-Dade County.

For more than three decades, Welker worked as a County employee. He said that becoming principal of the academy is the highlight of his career.

“For me, this represents the culmination of 33 years of public service at Miami-Dade Public Schools,” Welker said.

School of Hospitality holds local beer festival

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To highlight the craft of beer, the Chaplin School of Hospitality and Tourism Management will host its third annual South Florida BrewFest with the help of local brewers.

What started as a student internship program in 2012 by the Biscayne’s Renowned Engineers of Wort club has evolved into an annual event open to the public.

This year, the event will take place on the Biscayne Bay Campus on Saturday, Nov. 22, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., with the purpose of teaching more locals about the enticing and exciting world of beer crafting. Guests must be 21 or older.

According to Paige Wuenesch, the event’s director, the festival features craft beers from local breweries with the opportunity to learn about the art of beer-making through educational seminars conducted by experts in the brewing industry.

“It makes me feel like they are not trying to sell a product, but instead, they are trying to promote a kind of culture that is rapidly growing.”

Juan Aristizabal
Senior
Engineering Major

Some of the brewers that will attend include Wynwood Brewing Company, Biscayne Bay Brewing Company, Hialeah Brewing Company, Native Brewing, Cigar City Brewing, Due South Brewing Co. and Funky Buddha Brewery among others.

“We invite only South Florida local breweries and homebrew organizations out to participate by sampling their beers to our guests,” Wuenesch said.

Juan Aristizabal, a senior engineering student, said that the culture of beer is becoming more imminent and that the fest is supporting that.

“It makes me feel like they are not trying to sell a product, but instead, they are trying to promote a kind of culture that is rapidly growing,” said Aristizabal.

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