Upcoming Events:

**Wednesday, March 4th:**
1st-Year Scholars: Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Presentation and Dessert Social.
From 6:30-8:00 PM in NSU Ponderosa Room E.

**Friday, March 13th:**
Last day to drop a full semester class with a “W” in lieu of a grade.

**Tuesday, March 17th:**
TSLC Community Conversations from 3:30-4:30 PM in the Mantor Hall Main Lounge. All Thompson Scholars are encouraged to attend. Featured Guest: Nebraska College of Law.

**Friday, March 20th:**
TSLC Outstanding Student Award nominations are due by 5 PM.

**March 23rd-27th:**
UNK Spring Break; no classes.

**Friday, April 3rd:**
2nd-Year Scholars: Major/Career Exploration Assignment is due to the TSLC Office.

**Sunday, April 5th:**
2nd-Year Scholars: Halfway to Graduation Celebration, 6:00-8:00 PM at the Holiday Inn. Business attire is required.

**Monday, April 13th:**
TSLC Community Conversations from 4:00-5:00 PM in the Mantor Hall Main Lounge. All Thompson Scholars are encouraged to attend. Featured Guest: UNK Business Services and Human Resources.

Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Presentation and Dessert Social for 1st-Year Scholars this Wednesday

On Wednesday, March 4th, the TSLC will be hosting a community dessert social for all first year Thompson Scholars. The focus of this event will be undergraduate research and creative activity. Dr. Matt Bice, the Director of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity, will be our speaker, sharing information about the many opportunities UNK has to offer for research and creative activity, and how making this a part of your academic plan can add to your educational experience.

You might assume that taking part in research as a student is reserved strictly for science majors, but actually students in all academic disciplines are able to participate in independent research and creative activity. Participating in these endeavors can enable you to explore career directions, develop critical thinking skills, build presentation skills, enhance your résumé, and develop important relationships with faculty and other experts in your field.

Following Dr. Bice’s presentation, students will have the opportunity to interact with a panel of current students participating in research or creative activity at UNK. Next, students will be treated to a dessert buffet, so bring your sweet tooth. While enjoying your dessert, you will have the chance for small group discussion with your mentors and fellow Thompson Scholars.

Please contact Julie Smith at the TSLC office if you have an academic conflict that evening. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

TSLC Outstanding Student Awards

The TSLC program is requesting nominations for our 1st-Year and 2nd-Year Thompson Scholars for TSLC Outstanding Student Awards. Faculty, TSLC staff, and fellow Thompson Scholars can submit nominations electronically until Friday, March 20th at 5:00 PM.

These awards are an opportunity for students to be recognized who are contributing beyond what is expected of them as members of the community and in the classroom. Nominees should have demonstrated actions which embody our TSLC Vision of “Live-Learn-Connect-Succeed” in ways that caught your attention and/or exceeded your expectations.

Please complete your nominations at the following link for consideration by Friday, March 20th at 5:00 PM:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfLo4eZD_9_x IsY8qAaN0amQjKsWEabfTNko7UxczkjHotWQ/viewform?usp=sf_link
Student of the Week

Name: Shelby Niemier
Hometown: Papillion, NE
Major: Interior and Product Design

What is the best part about being a Thompson Scholar? The opportunities that are always available, and the people we are able to meet and get to know that will become our lifelong friends.

What's a movie you can practically quote from start to finish? Grease.

What experience in life has made you a stronger person? Having divorced parents and learning to be very independent by myself.

What do you wish your phone could do? Bring people to where I am or take me to where they are.

What is one food that you would never give up? My Grandma’s green bean casserole.

What do you binge-watch? Shameless, the Cheer show, and romantic movies.

If you could learn anything at all, what would it be? How to surf.

What’s the clumsiest thing you’ve done? Fell off my brother’s scooter when I was 12 on my birthday and had to cancel my birthday party because I was so scraped up and sore.

If you could have a conversation with any historical figure, who would it be? Rosa Parks.

What is the best book or series you have ever read? To Kill a Mockingbird and The Outsiders.

What is your greatest hidden talent/skill? I can move my ears.

Congratulations to the recently selected TSLC Mentors for 2020-2021

Victoria Alvarado  Isaac McDowell
Brooke Benck     Paige Moore
Corinne Bredthauer  Charlotte Okraska
Erick Leiva-Lopez  Rachel Rawlings
Micaela Lopez-Perez  Elizabeth Trausch

Thank you to all who applied for the mentor position and went through the interview process!

Interview Skills Workshop and Community Dinner with TSLC Alumni

On Wednesday, February 26th, the TSLC hosted a community dinner for all 2nd-Year Thompson Scholars about interview skills. After a presentation by Ms. Brenda Jochum, the Associate Director of the College of Business and Technology Career Center, the scholars had dinner with TSLC alumni from various professional fields.


The Last Day to Drop a UNK Full Semester Spring 2020 Course is Friday, March 13th

We encourage students to stop by and talk with a TSLC staff member before dropping any classes. It is important that students consider scholarship and university implications before dropping classes, especially if doing so would impact full-time student status (enrollment in at least 12 credit hours).

Talking with primary academic advisors is a wise and valuable component of academic decision making as well. Do not hesitate to contact your advisors if you need help considering options and thinking about how dropping a course may impact your future progress to graduation.