



Homecoming & Student Fan Festival this Saturday!

Don't miss your undefeated Western Mustangs Football team play the Ottawa Gee-Gees for Homecoming Weekend this Saturday, September 23 at 1 p.m. Head over to Western Alumni Stadium early to check out the **Student Fan Festival**, running from **11 a.m. to 4 p.m.** with 20+ FREE food trucks, hot air balloon rides, giveaways and a photo station.

Start your #WesternHoco off with a free pancake breakfast at Concrete Beach (outside the UCC) from 9 to 11 a.m. thanks to Western Alumni.

Admission to the Student Fan Festival and Homecoming football game is FREE for all Western students, just bring your Western ONECard for entry!

[More Details](#)

Events on Campus

SEPT 18-22

USC Clubs Week

Come discover all the 200+ clubs Western has to offer! They will be in the UCC and the Mustang Lounge all week long.

[Learn More](#)

SEPT 18-22

Recreational Sports Clubs Week

Visit the Western Student Recreation Centre (WSRC) atrium daily to learn about 19 different sport- or activity-based clubs, and find out how you can get involved.

[Learn More](#)

SEPT 20

Intro to Strengths

Join us from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. to learn about leveraging your unique talents at Western and beyond.

[Register](#)

SEPT 23

Homecoming Football Game & Student Fan Festival

Your Western Mustangs Football team take on the Ottawa Gee-Gees at 1 p.m. Kick things off with the Student Fan Festival, running from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

[Learn More](#)

SEPT 25

Accessibility in the Workplace

Join us from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. to learn about disability disclosure, accommodations at work, and employment rights and responsibilities.

[Register](#)

SEPT 29

National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Observed at Western as a non-instructional day. This will provide everyone within the learning community an opportunity to engage with special events planned for the day.

[Learn More](#)

[See All Events](#)

Campus Life

PHOTO SPOTLIGHT: OWEK 2023

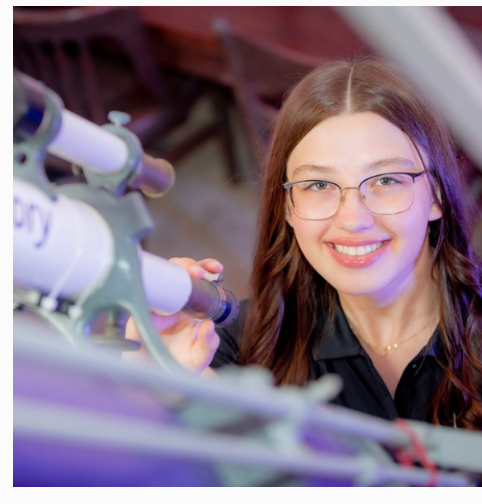


The fall semester kicked off with OWeek as we welcomed the incoming class to Western!

Spot yourself? Check out our photo album from the week and download your favourite pictures!

[View Photos](#)

SCHULICH LEADER SHOOT FOR THE STARS



Emma Harnos is one of six new Schulich Leaders to join Western this fall. With a love for science and an entrepreneurial mind, Harnos aspires to push the limits of space exploration.

(Photo source: Christopher Kindratsky/Western Communications)

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WESTERN WELLNESS

- Starting today the [Canadian Mental Health Association \(CMHA\)](#) is back offering mental health support to Western students. After-hours appointments are available every Monday (in-person) and Thursday (virtual) from 5 to 9 p.m. until December 11. Set up an appointment by [emailing CMHA](#).
- Explore [mindfulness resources and programs](#) offered through Learning Development & Success, including [Mindful Moments](#), Mondays from 12 to 12:20 p.m.
- [Community of Care Sessions](#) were created to support the community during the Atzaal family trial and provide a safe and supportive space for Muslim staff, faculty, students and allies to share their experiences, pray and connect during this difficult time. [Sessions run September 20, 27 and October 3](#).
- Download the latest version of [Alert WesternU](#), the university's mass notification system, and customize your settings to receive notifications the way you want to receive them.

MUSTANGS MINUTE

Our [Mustangs Football team](#) remains undefeated with a last-second win on the road over the Queen's Gaels, to move to 4-0 on the season. Next up, the Western Mustangs Football team will play the Ottawa Gee-Gees at home for HOCO this Saturday, September 23 at 1 p.m.

Our Mustangs Golf teams hosted the Western Invitational and Men's Golf won team bronze at the event and Luca Ferrara won individual silver.

Women's Rugby hosted their home opener vs Queen's, Field-Hockey hosted their home opener vs York, Men's Lacrosse won their home opener 15-4 vs Nippissing, Men's Soccer tied at home 0-0 and Women's Soccer won 1-0 at home vs the Windsor Lancers. [Go Stangs! More info about all team schedules, times and scores.](#)

Admission is FREE for all Western students for all regular season home games with valid Western ONECard.

Follow [@WesternMustangs](#) on TikTok for behind the scenes with all of our Mustangs teams.

GET INVOLVED

- Now Hiring: [Western Student Ambassadors](#)**
Apply by September 30 to join the Student Ambassador Team and help future Mustangs find their home at Western! (Job ID 32447).
- Part-time Job Opportunities on Campus**
Hospitality Services is hiring [part-time Culinary Support positions](#) (Job ID 32607). Enjoy flexible work schedules that fit your classes and exams.
- Need help with a course? Get free, one-on-one course-specific tutoring from upper-year students at the [Peer Assisted Learning \(PAL\) Centre](#).
- Writing Support Centre** seminar series are back! The first series, *Learning to Become a Scholar*, takes place the week of September 25. [Register Now](#)
- Develop vital leadership skills and enhance your resume through the [Learn to Lead Summit](#), taking place Thursday, September 28.
- Western B.L.U.E**
Student applications are now open for the Western Black Leadership University Experience Program! Applications are open until October 1.
- Have your resume, cover letter, CV, and LinkedIn profile reviewed at [Western's Employment Resource Centre](#), open now!

STUDENT LIFE

- Intramurals** - Last chance to [register for fall intramural sports!](#) Registration closes this Tuesday, September 19 at 11:59 p.m. Meet new people, enjoy friendly competition with a fun community, and learn a new skill. No sports experience required. League space limited, and registration is first come, first serve.
- Coached Fitness Swimming** - This is a program for Master Swimmers as well as those who have retired their swim cap and goggles after competing. This program level is geared towards the swim enthusiast who has prior swimming experience and wants to get back into a regular swim routine. Program starts September 25.
- The **Western Special Constable Service (WSCS)** is asking community members to participate in [Bike Theft Prevention Month this September](#). If you love your bike, lock it! WSCS is asking community members to register their bike using [529 Garage](#) (you get a free bike light & decal when you sign up) and purchase and use a U-Lock.
- University Drive Bridge will be closed to vehicles Sept 20** from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. to complete lighting repairs and upgrades (rain date Sept 21). During the closure, one sidewalk will remain open for pedestrian and cyclists to walk across. Drivers are asked to enter campus using Western Road or Windermere Road.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Sept 29:** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (this day is a non-instructional day, meaning no classes will run this day)
- Oct 9:** Thanksgiving Holiday
- Oct 18-20:** Autumn Convocation

[See More Dates](#)

HOT TAKE

Are you a morning or night person? As you get into your new class schedules which do you prefer:

Morning or Night Class?

[Vote Now](#)

Results from Spoke Bagel Poll:

Jalapeno Cheddar 60%
Asiago Sourdough 40%

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