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# Welcome Home

BY ADAM MARTÍNEZ

The Prospector

For more than four decades, health sciences and nursing students have had to go off the UTEP campus to get to their class, but now they are finally back home.

After two and a half years of planning and construction, the College of Health Sciences building opens for this semester. A grand opening ceremony is slated for Sept. 29 with events planned all day. The new building, which is located between Sun Bowl Drive and University Library, houses both the College of Health Sciences and the School of Nursing.

The School of Nursing and College of Health Sciences have been located off-campus at the Campbell Building since the 1970s. Both colleges have grown over the years and the new building is meant to meet the needs of the students and faculty, as well as help UTEP reach tier-one status. Kathleen Curtis, dean of the College of Health Sciences, said one of the

main reasons to build a new college on campus was so health sciences and nursing students could take most of their classes at UTEP, instead of moving back and forth from the Campbell Building to the main campus.

"For the first time, our undergraduate students will be able to have all their classes on the main campus," Curtis said, "In addition; it makes it much easier for our faculty to collaborate in research and in campus activities."

Cynthia Chácon, senior health promotion major, said the new building is more than well-located, it also provides opportunity for students and faculty to build stronger relationships.

"It's a lot more convenient because I don't have to drive all the way to the old building," Chácon said. "It's a great space for student-teacher interaction."

According to Curtis, five programs of the College of Health Sciences, including the departments of social work, public health sciences and kinesiology and all programs in the

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## Football

# Junior transfer named starting quarterback for season opener



BOB CORRAL / The Prospector

**Junior transfer quarterback** Nick Lamaison attempts a pass during UTEP's last scrimmage Aug. 20 at the Sun Bowl.

BY WILLIAM VEGA

The Prospector

Following four years of the same record-breaking quarterback, head coach Mike Price has officially named junior transfer Nick Lamaison the starter for the season opener against Stony Brook Sep. 3 at the Sun Bowl.

"He throws a crisp ball, an accurate ball, he takes care of the football and makes good decisions," Price said. "Those are the main reasons why Nick is the guy...and that's the kind of quarterback we want out there."

Lamaison performed with the first team throughout the spring workouts in April and Camp Socorro Aug. 6-14. He was given the nod to start after the team's final scrimmage of camp where he showed improvement from his last major start at the Spring Game April 30.

"I like the decision. Ever since he got here, he would come to me and we would run plays, running the play-book," senior wide receiver Donovan Kemp said. "He's a really smart guy,

really hard worker so I'm really comfortable with him."

At the game, Lamaison went 8-for-18 with 92 yards and no scores. Just under four months later, he showed his progress during the last Saturday of camp in the team scrimmage where he started again going 12-for-20 with 112 yards and one touchdown.

Even in his most recent outing, at the team's first scrimmage of the summer in the Sun Bowl Aug. 20, Lamaison showed his development. Four days after he was officially named the starter for the season opener, Lamaison finished 9-of-13 for 118 yards including a 40-yard touchdown pass to junior Laviorick Williams.

"The only difference to me is the approach. I have to start looking forward to games and not to practices. So I have to do different things like getting signals from the coaches and getting the plays," Lamaison said. "Those are things that I'm more focused on right now since I'm the starter."

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Editorial

As we begin the fall semester, The Prospector staff is looking forward to carrying on the tradition of excellence that this newspaper has achieved in its nearly 100 years at UTEP. When you pick up the newspaper every Tuesday and Thursday, you will get the latest breaking and critical news affecting the student body, along with sporting events and other entertainment stories.

As the voice of the students, the heartbeat of our news coverage will range from covering crime on campus, political controversies and other problems plaguing students. We'll even include events happening in Austin that will affect the UTEP community. Hard news, in-depth investigative stories to light-hearted features, we will cover it.

The entertainment section will offer a fresh new guide for its readers. In between studying, exams and extracurricular activities, The Prospector will guide students to entertainment events, such as music, concerts, movie reviews as well as video game reviews.

With a new writers in our staff, The Prospector team is confident it will meet students' demands in what they want to read. The Prospector will also offer the latest fashion trends for the season. Get the latest word on which restaurants are good for students' budget and find out about the trendy, local places. We will also feature student profiles. The entertainment section is launching a weekly column called "Love in the time of college," which will feature different columns focusing on love and relationships.

This semester, the entertainment section is encouraging students to submit any story ideas for events,

student profiles, and whatever else students think would be entertaining to read. Definitely The Prospector will take those ideas, questions, and concerns into consideration.

With a new school year just beginning, the sports department at the Prospector will be experiencing a fresh look, as well.

With four brand-new writers in the sports department, each one brings in a different style of writing that generates the fall 2011 Prospector.

In addition to getting perspectives from UTEP coaches and players, The Prospector will make an effort to get reactions from opposing coaches and/or players following any sporting event. The Prospector will also attempt to become a number-one news outlet for Miner sports with breaking news and original features.

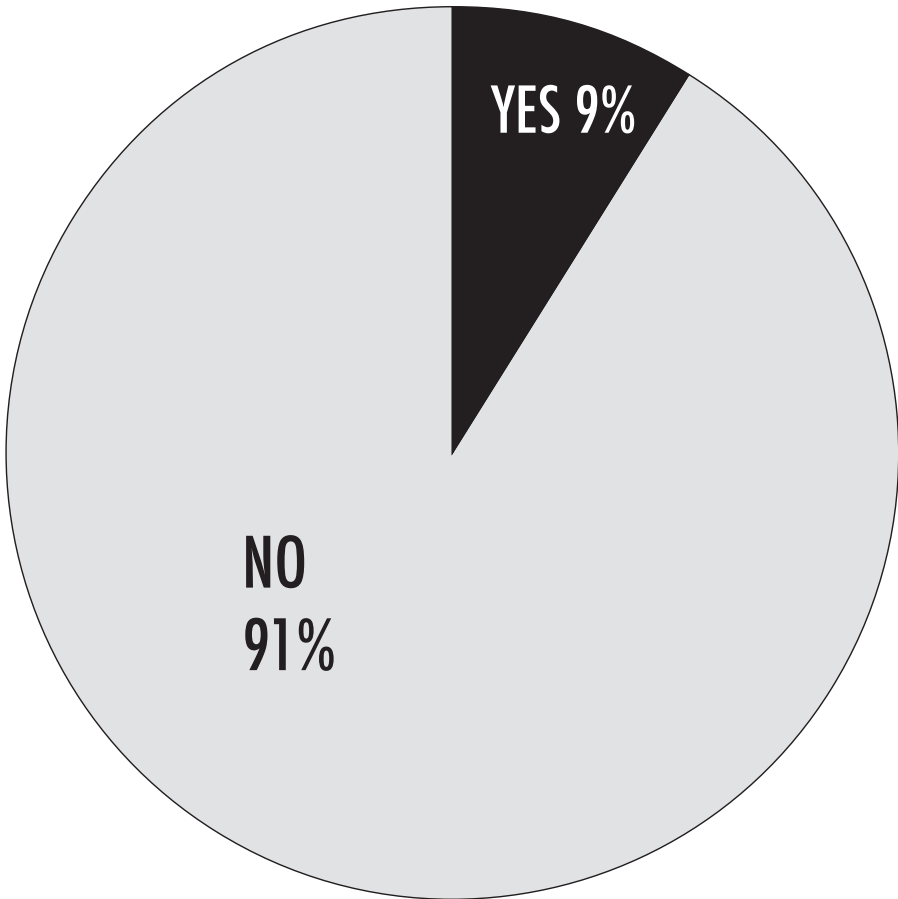
While the experience is one of the greatest appeals to college students, the professionalism and long-lived reputation is what The Prospectors wishes to achieve with its readers and athletic department.

Finally, the sports department hopes to answer every question a Miner may have regarding UTEP's athletics. From the question of whether this will be head coach Mike Price's last season with the football team to how softball can rebound from one of their worst seasons, The Prospector will become your go-to source for everything UTEP Miners and more.

We look forward to hearing from you and expect this to be a fun, exciting semester filled with all kinds of news.



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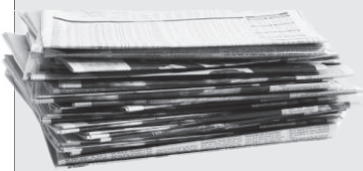


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Question of the week

# What are your expectations for the semester?



**JENNIFER MERCADO**  
sophomore mathematics

"I expect from this semester for my classes to be easy and to enjoy the Miner environment."



**VIANNETTE FELIX**  
freshman mathematics

"My expectations for this semester are to have fun and enjoy the beginning of my college career."



**LUIS CRUZ**  
freshman education

"I hope to keep my grades up and get involved in campus. I'd also like to join a photography class or club."



**VIRIDIANA FELIX**  
freshman mathematics

"My expectations for this semester are to enjoy my first year of college and get the best out of everything I do."



**ROSAURO CHAPINA**  
freshman forensic science

"My expectation for this upcoming semester is to learn and to discover what I can do as a student and of course enjoy it."



**STEVE REYES**  
senior digital media production

"Graduate and have fun!!"



**MALCOM MOORE**  
junior general studies

"Good college environment and fun."



**ANGEL ORTIZ**  
freshman business

"Educate myself on business."



**ERICKA TRUJILLO**  
freshman forensic science

"Even though this is my first year here, I already want to graduate. I hope to be on top of all my classes."



**LYNDA OBANDO**  
junior nursing

"I expect to have fun and get really good grades along the way."

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**JERRY MOSS**  
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"Hard classes, high expectations and a fun semester."



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"Finish classes with good grades and meet new people."



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Campus

# Students seek cheaper textbooks

BY ANOUSHKA VALODYA  
The Prospector

It's that time again, the time for students to shell out money for textbooks. Although the University Bookstore has implemented cheaper options for purchasing books, students still feel prices are too high.

"I paid \$476 for seven books, three of them are used and two of them are rented," said Robina Posada, freshman nursing major. "I think that's pretty dumb. I expected to spend \$200."

Besides offering used and rentable books, the bookstore also launched Café Scribe during the summer session. It is the bookstore's newest option for students to save money, allowing for more than 50 percent in savings by using the e-book format.

In the bookstore, e-books are represented with a small blue paper, the size of a business card, next to the textbook information/price card. Students rip off a blue card and present it to the cashier.

But even technology that saves money and paper is not enough to please all customers.

"I prefer to use actual books because computer screens hurt my eyes," said Irma Vasquez, junior business major. She said that she paid

\$470 for five classes, but she would have liked to pay around \$250.

An example of the bookstore's pricing option is as follows: the book for English 1311 costs \$68.50 new, \$51.50 used, \$34.22 for rent and \$20 in the e-book format.

Fernando Padula, director of the bookstore, said that the e-books from Café Scribe are compatible with PCs and Macs and do not require a special reading tablet like Nook or Kindle. He added that it's not necessary to download the e-book onto your computer.

Currently, about 20 percent of the textbooks in the bookstore are offered through Café Scribe.

Padula said that last year, 30 percent of the store's textbooks were rentable. Now, he said, that number has increased to 49 percent.

Esmeralda Zazueta, sophomore political science major, said she rented a book during the summer for \$40.

"I still think it's expensive, and to just use it for two months? I can buy a used book for that same amount in another bookstore and possibly save more money," she said.

Padula said that the reason why a lot of books are not available in used form is because the store has been getting a lot of new and custom-edition textbooks, as well as unbound,

loose-leafed documents and textbooks with access codes.

"Textbooks can cost \$100, but with the access code, that price jumps up to \$180," Padula said. "So we try to avoid these kinds of costly books that can't be sold in used form, but we have to coordinate with professors, who decide what to use in their classes."

Linda Hawes, sophomore nursing major, said she's trying to buy all her required textbooks in used form.

"The used prices are reasonable," she said. "The new editions are way it is pricey."

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*"I prefer to use actual books because computer screens hurt my eyes."*

- Irma Vasquez, junior business major



AUDREY RUSSELL / The Prospector  
Incoming freshman Daniela Parada and Jonathan Garcia pick out their books for their classes this semester at the University bookstore.

Finance

# Advice offered as students feel economic woes



DIANA AMARO / The Prospector  
Member of Money Matters work on their website aimed to help students deal with the finance burdens of college.

BY AARON MARTINEZ  
The Prospector

As new students begin their careers at UTEP, they will be joining a growing number of students facing the financial difficulties that come with earning a higher-education degree.

While the country continues to suffer an economic recession and the most recent Texas Legislature slashing higher education funds, students with financial woes can get help through a website. Money Matters ([www.moneymatters.utep.edu](http://www.moneymatters.utep.edu)), a financial literacy program for students, offers advice. The website is managed by students to help fellow students deal with the stress of the finance burden throughout their time in college.

"This a UTEP initiative that focuses on teaching students finance," said Armando Meza, senior accounting major who is a mentor in the program. "When the economic crisis hit, a lot of people did not know or just didn't manage their money right. So this program helps young adults

learn about finance matters, helps them learn to manage their money and helps start off their financial lives on the right foot."

The website features tips on various ways to help pay for college, invest money, manage credit and tips on how to survive on a small budget.

"On the website we have different areas that include financial planning, saving and investments, spending on a budget, managing credit, how to pay for college and a lot of resources on financial information," said Carolina Teran, graduate business administration student and Money Matters coordinator. "Also, we have quizzes, games, financial terms dictionary, workshops, a parent's section and a Spanish section."

According to a survey conducted by the UTEP Center for Institutional Evaluation, Research and Planning, 34.5 percent of students who did not re-enroll after their first semester cited financial reasons. The Money Matters' main goal is to help prevent



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Academia

# Programa retiene a graduados internacionales

POR AARON MARTINEZ  
Special to The Prospector

Estudiantes internacionales que se estén graduando de universidades estadounidenses pueden extender su estadía legal y trabajar en este país durante un año si se inscriben en el Programa Optativo de Capacitación Práctica (OPT, por sus siglas en inglés).

“(OPT) es el único camino que tenemos los estudiantes internacionales para poder quedarnos y trabajar legalmente en los Estados Unidos”, dijo Fernando Hernández, quien graduó de UTEP este año, con una licenciatura en Sistemas de Información Computarizados. “Yo estoy planeando permanecer en los Estados Unidos, regresar a México sería retroceder.”

OPT ofrece a los estudiantes con visa F-1, la oportunidad de permanecer en los Estados Unidos para trabajar por un periodo de 12 meses en un campo relacionado con sus estudios. Según Carol Martin, directora adjunta de Programas Internacionales de la Universidad de Texas en El Paso, el objetivo de OPT no es extender la estadía de los estudiantes en Estados Unidos, sino darles una oportunidad de obtener experiencia laboral en su área de estudios.

“El objetivo de OPT es darles capacitación práctica para ayudarlos a ser mejores graduados”, dijo Martin. “El interés de OPT no es para que ellos se queden en los Estados Unidos mientras puedan hacerlo u obtener un empleo, es por eso que no se le llama Empleo Práctico Optativo. Se le denomina capacitación, porque realmente se considera que es una forma práctica de obtener aptitudes que van a necesitar para ser más comercializables en la profesión que eligieron.”

Hernández, quien trabaja como representante financiero en Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, dice que existen razones sociales y económicas por las cuales él desea continuar su carrera en los Estados Unidos.

“México es un país muy difícil para quedarse. Existen muchos problemas actualmente”, dice Hernández. “Pienso que esta es la mejor oportunidad que yo podría tener y los empleos en los Estados Unidos están mejor pagados.”

Hernández es uno de los 97 estudiantes de UTEP que solicitaron entrar hasta mayo de este año al OPT, un número significativamente menor comparado con las 163 y 246 solicitudes en 2010 y 2009, respectivamente, con una vasta mayoría de estudiantes aceptados en el programa OPT.

Según Leah More, asesora de estudiantes internacionales en la oficina de Programas Internacionales de UTEP, son varias las razones que explican la disminución de solicitudes de OPT, pero ella cree que la principal es la actual economía estadounidense.

“Probablemente es debido a la mala economía de Estados Unidos en estos tiempos. Ahora es más difícil que an-



RAYMUNDO AGUIRRE / Special to The Prospector

## Un programa de capacitación ofrece

tes conseguir empleos para los estudiantes internacionales, porque actualmente es más difícil para cualquiera obtener un empleo”, dijo Moore. “Mi teoría es que menos personas quieren solicitar entrar a OPT porque suponen dificultades para encontrar trabajo.”

Moore dijo que su oficina no mantiene registros sobre cuantas solicitudes de OPT fueron presentadas por estudiantes mexicanos, solo mantienen un número general de estudiantes internacionales de UTEP. De acuerdo con el portal de internet de la Oficina de Admisiones y Reclutamiento de UTEP, más de 2,000 estudiantes extranjeros se inscriben en UTEP cada semestre, provenientes de países que incluyen México, Egipto, Canadá y la India.

Adriana Gómez-Licón, una graduada de UTEP en 2009, inscrita en el programa OPT y ex-reportera de El Paso Times, que cubría la violencia relacionada con las drogas en México, comentó que ella piensa que la violencia en México ha tenido un impacto en el número de estudiantes que asisten a las universidades estadounidenses, así como su motivación para entrar a OPT.

“(La razón por la que) los números son bajos pienso que tienen que ver con varios factores. Uno de ellos es que ha bajado el número de estudiantes internacionales mexicanos en UTEP”, dijo Gómez-Licón. “Eso puede ser porque UTEP no está realizando esfuerzos como antes debido a la violencia relacionada con las drogas. Ya no permiten que vayan a reclutar a México y los estudiantes mexicanos no escuchan sobre UTEP.”

Gómez-Licón dijo que otra causa mayor es debido al impacto de la violencia relacionada con las drogas en la economía mexicana.

“Otra razón es que actualmente no hay muchos estudiantes mexicanos

a estudiantes internacionales la posibilidad de entrenarse en Estados Unidos por un año con un permiso especial de trabajo.

que pueden pagar UTEP, también debido a la violencia relacionada con las drogas. Las extorsiones han golpeado muy duro a las clases media y alta en lugares como Ciudad Juárez y Chihuahua, ciudades que tradicionalmente envían la mayoría de estudiantes internacionales a UTEP”

Mirel Argueta, quien se graduó de UTEP en 2010, con una maestría en comunicaciones, dice que su principal objetivo es continuar trabajando y seguir estudiando en Estados Unidos, la violencia relacionada con las drogas en México es una razón por la cual ella preferiría quedarse en Estados Unidos.

“La (violencia debido a las drogas) afecta sobremanera mi decisión de permanecer en Estados Unidos. Siempre está en el fondo de mi mente”, dijo Argueta. “Quiero decir que la gente no desea regresar a Juárez para buscar un trabajo porque tienen miedo ... Ahora que mi año está por terminar, me preocupa regresar, por lo que ahora estoy pensando en estudiar otra maestría o empezar mi doctorado.”

Argueta dijo que piensa que la violencia debido a las drogas no es la única razón por la baja en solicitudes OPT en UTEP. Como estudiante que participa del programa OPT, dice que es difícil permanecer aquí después de finalizar el año, debido a la dificultad para encontrar un trabajo y el alto costo de las visas de trabajo que muchas empresas no están dispuestas a

pagar una vez que vence el año que pueden permanecer los estudiantes en Estados Unidos.

“Es difícil para los estudiantes internacionales obtener un empleo debido a la economía y que los empleadores no desean contratar estudiantes internacionales, porque ellos saben que tienes un tiempo limitado para poder estar en los Estados Unidos. Por lo que ellos piensan que es más sencillo contratar a una persona de Estados Unidos”, dice Argueta. “También es muy caro para un empleador retener un estudiante internacional ya que es muy caro pagar por la visa de trabajo y todo lo que se necesita para continuar trabajando en Estados Unidos.”

Según el Departamento de Seguridad Nacional (Department of Homeland Security), en 2008 había aproximadamente 70,000 estudiantes de muchas nacionalidades en OPT, y de estos, alrededor de 23,000 estaban estudiando en los campos de las Ciencias, Tecnología, Ingeniería o Matemáticas (STEM, por sus siglas en inglés). Algunos de esos estudiantes serían seleccionados con una visa H-1B para empezar en octubre de esos mismos años. Otros pueden decidir continuar con su educación mientras que otros abandonan los Estados Unidos. ICE y USCIS estiman que aproximadamente 12,000 aprovecharán la ventaja de la extensión de STEM.

El presidente Barack Obama leyó un discurso el 10 de mayo en el

Parque Chamizal National Memorial en El Paso, para discutir la reforma migratoria y el enfoque en la necesidad de mantener a los estudiantes internacionales que estudian en universidades estadounidenses para que trabajen en Estados Unidos.

“La reforma también va a ayudar a hacer a Estados Unidos más competitivos en la economía global. Actualmente, nosotros damos a estudiantes de todo el mundo visas para que obtengan licenciaturas en ingeniería y ciencias computacionales en nuestras mejores universidades”, dijo Obama. “Pero luego nuestras leyes los desaniman para que inicien un negocio o una nueva industria aquí en Estados Unidos. En lugar de capacitar empresarios para que permanezcan aquí, los capacitamos para crear empleos para nuestra competencia.”

Mientras está en el programa OPT, Hernández espera que esos 12 meses no solo le den experiencia laboral en su campo, sino también tiempo para solicitar su residencia permanente.

“El mejor escenario es obtener la residencia, pero es un largo proceso, después de un año de conseguir el OPT, tienes que conseguir una visa de trabajo”, dice Hernández. “Después de 12 meses, planeo conseguir una visa de trabajo y en el largo plazo solicitar mi residencia permanente.”

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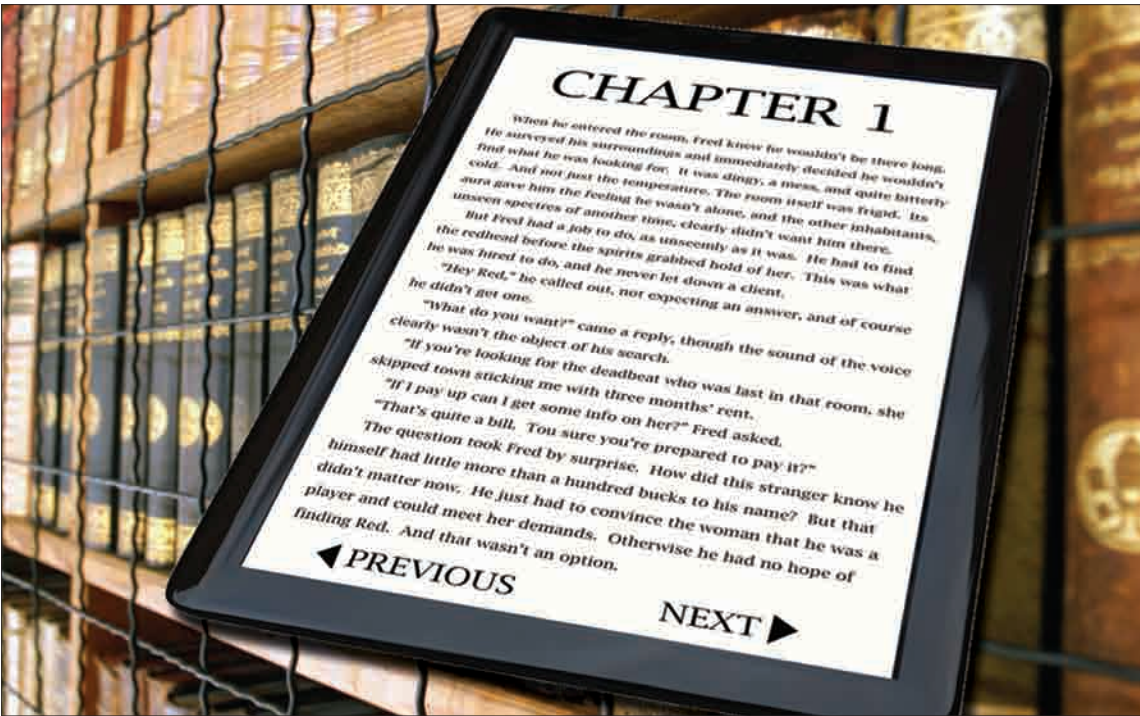
Technology

# E-readers: revolutionizing literacy

BY JERRY ALDAZ  
The Prospector

As technology has revolutionized the way we communicate, interact and access information, the emerging popularity of e-readers will soon reform our approach to literature. Features such as high-capacity storage and light-weight designs make e-readers the perfect alternative for space-consuming and often-outdated print material. Available through numerous companies, including Sony and the lesser-known Kobo, popular devices such as Amazon's Kindle and Barnes & Nobles' Nook have successfully streamlined e-ink technology. While most e-readers are found within the \$100 to \$200 spectrum, Kindle base model starting at \$114 and Nook at \$139 (exception being Nook Color at \$249), their prolonged battery life (ranging from one week to a month), visually-comfortable display and aesthetically-simplistic industrial design allow these devices closely emulate the approachability of their physical counterparts. So are the relatively expensive startup costs worth it? Some researchers believe so. According to a study of 1,200 individuals con-

ducted by Marketing and Research Resources Inc., 40 percent of participants read more than they did with physical books. "I really enjoy owning a Kindle because of how organized it makes me feel. I still love print books too, but I think the Kindle definitely has its advantages. Being able to highlight certain sections of the text and notes relating to bookmarks is extremely useful," said Sarah Walker, avid reader and junior english literature major. "It really is worth the cost if you are a reader, especially a student. The cost of books is cheaper and you have access to many free books as well." Catalyzing on the expansion of digital literacy, non-profit organizations such as project Gutenberg (www.gutenberg.org) provide e-reader owners with the ability to freely download any of its 36,000 public domain books. Free content aside, a decrease in production costs for digital versions of popular books and an increasing availability of digitalized college textbooks are transforming e-readers into a tempting alternative for many current and college-bound students. "I've seen them around and I'm tempted to buy one," said Nubia Alejandra Puga, junior Spanish major. "They seem quite respon-



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sive and their size makes them the perfect accessory to take anywhere. It is nice realizing that I could read while in the doctor's office or while waiting for the Miner shuttle to arrive. I have the ability to expand my knowledge without needing to add extra pounds to my backpack."

Current owners of higher-end smartphones and tablets ought not to feel abandoned. Beyond function-specific devices, major participants offer literary material through free app-based incarnations located in the App-Store and the Android Market.

Although there is no denying the skyrocketing popularity of both electronic books and dedicated e-readers, at the end of the day, literary mediums boil down to personal preference.

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**Aug. 23-25**

Late registration continues

**Aug. 26**

Tuition payment deadline for students who registered during the first week of classes

**Sept. 5**

Labor Day - University closed

**Sept. 7**

Census Day

**Sept. 16**

Last day to select Pass/Fail Option

**Sept. 30**

\$30.00 Graduation application deadline - (after this date \$45.00 fee)

**Oct. 12**

Freshmen mid-term grades due to the Records Office

**Oct. 14**

Mid-term grades e-mailed to freshmen via UTEP e-mail address

**Oct. 28**

Course drop deadline

**Nov. 11**

Deadline to submit candidates' names for the commencement program (Name will appear in the commencement program)

**Nov. 24-25**

Thanksgiving Holiday - University closed

**Dec. 1**

Last day of classes and complete withdrawal from the University

**Dec. 2**

Dead Day

**Dec. 5-9**

Final exams

**Dec. 9**

Last day to accept late graduation applications (Name will not appear in the commencement program)

**Dec. 10**

Commencement

**Dec. 14**

Final grades due to the Records Office

**Dec. 16**

Deadline for graduate degree candidates to submit electronic thesis or dissertation and for certification of graduate degree final examinations to graduate school

**Dec. 19**

Final grades officially available to students via Touchtone, Online and UTEP e-mail



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students from dropping out due to money issues.

"A lot of students face big financial problems after their first semesters here and some have to drop out of college," Meza said. "What we try to do is show them that there are a lot of ways to pay for college and learning how to manage your money will go a long way in helping you afford college."

Sukhdeep Labana, graduate student in electrical engineering and Money Matters mentor, said one of the main issues students have when they enter college is the lack of knowledge and experience in dealing with financial issues.

"Most of the students starting college are used to having their parents take care of all their financial matters, so when they come to college, this is their first time dealing with these issues," Labana said. "So that is why we are here. We want them to have a place where they can get information and learn how to handle these issues, so they are not just left on their own to figure this stuff out."

Kristine Velasquez, senior chemistry major and Money Matters mentor, said one of the best aspects of the programs is that it gives advice to students from students that have experience in dealing with the financial burdens of higher education.

"It is hard dealing with all these financial issues and it is easier for students to get advice from other students that have gone through all of this," Velasquez said. "It shows them that they are not going through this alone and many students, including us, have had to deal with this. So we are here to help them and show them ways they can pay for college and manage their money."

Mentors of Money Matters present at various classes throughout the semester to let students know that help is out there and that changing their spending habits can amount to a lot

of savings. The presentation includes interesting facts like buying a coffee daily at Starbucks can add up to more than \$1,000 for one year. The goal of the presentation is to show students that small changes in their spending habits can have a dramatic effect on their bank accounts.


"People don't realize how spending money on little things can add up," Teran said. "During our presentation, we talk about how you can have fun on a budget, which was put together by UTEP students, and these tips can help save money and can be fun."

While the Money Matters team focuses on class presentations, they are available for one-on-one meetings throughout the semester. The office of Money Matters is located on the third floor of Union Building East in the Office of Special Events.

As part of their program to encourage students to visit their website, they are offering a \$100 gift card to the UTEP Bookstore for student feedback.

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*"When the economic crisis hit, a lot of people did not know or just didn't manage their money right. So this program helps young adults learn about finance matters, helps them learn to manage their money and helps start off their financial lives on the right foot."*  
- Armando Meza, Senior Accounting Major



# MONEY MATTERS

## HAVE FUN ON A BUDGET: ADVICE for UTEP STUDENTS from UTEP STUDENTS

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| Attend a lecture series                           | Join a student club                                    |
| Get in shape at the Swimming and Fitness Center   | Take a rafting or hiking trip with recreational sports |
| Share coffee with friends at the Library or Union | Play video games and pool in the Mine Shaft            |
| Attend a recital or concert                       | See a play at the UTEP Dinner Theater                  |
| Enjoy music at the Music Café on the Union Plaza  | Attend a student forensic event                        |

**A NIGHT OUT ON A BUDGET** If you must consume alcohol, drink responsibly!

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| Be the designated driver                  | Limit the number of drinks you buy at the club         |
| Drink soft drinks instead of alcohol      | Leave your credit cards at home – use cash             |
| Look for drink specials or free admission | Limit clubbing to special occasions, not every weekend |
| Pile in one car and share the ride        |  |

**DATING WITHOUT OVERSPENDING**

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| Go for a bike ride and share an ice cream cone      | Go out for lunch or coffee instead of dinner |
| Have a picnic instead of going out to eat           | See a matinee instead of an evening show     |
| Go hiking and watch the sunset                      | Enjoy a UTEP event together                  |
| Tour the holiday lights with a cup of hot chocolate | Share the costs! Split the check!            |

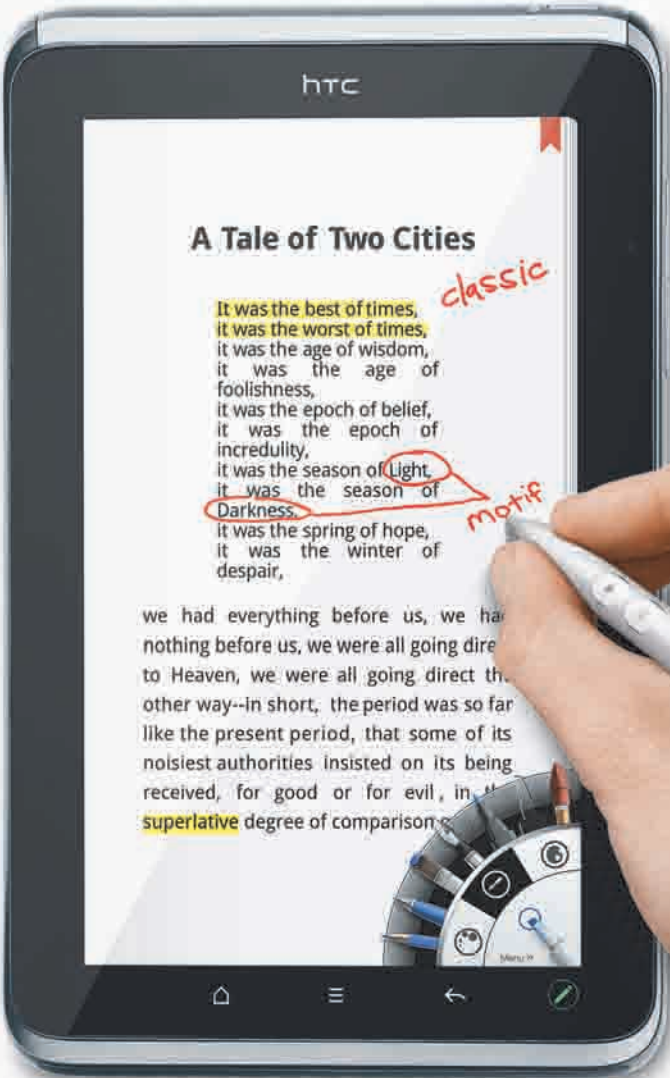
**FUN WITH FRIENDS**

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| Get together for a game night at someone's house | Create a home theater with a video player and projector |
| Rent movies for \$1 at Red Box                   | Get together to watch a game on TV                      |
| Cook meals together or potluck                   | Enjoy the food and music at a local festival or fiesta  |
| Go sightseeing and take photos                   | Spend a day at the zoo                                  |
| Scrapbook and blog                               | Volunteer in the community                              |
| Take a day-trip to a place near El Paso          | Visit a museum or go to an outdoor concert              |
| Go window shopping without your credit cards     | Check the local newspaper for events that are free!     |
| Join an intramural team                          | Share an entrée or have an appetizer for a meal         |
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School of Nursing will be housed in the new building, which encompasses more than 3,000 students. Although, there are five programs that will remain at the old location, including occupational and physical therapy, speech language pathology and pharmacy. In addition, about 200 graduate students will continue their work there. The four-story, 138,000-square-foot building offers large classrooms, seminar rooms, research facilities and laboratories and a clinical simulation center. The Clinical Simulation Center features simulation labs, testing rooms, standardized patient rooms

*“For the first time, our undergraduate students will be able to have all their classes on the main campus.”*  
- Kathleen Curtis,, dean of the College of Health Sciences

and an apartment-style home care setting, which was made possible by a \$1.5 million grant from the Paso del Norte Foundation, Curtis said.

Students such as Debra Drost, senior nursing major, are excited about what the Clinical Simulation Center has to offer.

“My favorite part of the building is the Simulation Center because it has more beds and it is technologically advanced,” Drost said. “It emulates what a hospital is really like.”

The increase number of laboratories will allow students to study the risks for metabolic and cardiovascular diseases, analyze the nutrient composition of food and biological samples, and research human infectious diseases where vaccines can be developed.

In addition to these facilities, the new building provides ample space, such as a student lounge and the Caprice Marie Padilla Quiet Study



DANIEL ROSAS / The Prospector

The College of Health Sciences building opens this semester and is located on campus for first time in four decades.

Room, which comes equipped with dry erase boards and cables to connect laptop computers to flat screen displays.

“I love the student space they gave us,” Pérez said. “There is a lot of space for students such as group study rooms with really comfortable chairs and boards to write on.”

Curtis hopes the new location will make it easier to promote a message

of health and wellness for the whole UTEP campus.

“In addition to our existing programs, we will be starting several new academic programs, having a career fair in October and weekly research presentations called ‘The Healthy Exchange’ series,” Curtis said.

Among Curtis’ goals for the 2011-2012 school year is the recruitment of outstanding faculty members and students. She believes the new facility will help the colleges achieve this end.

“We will continue to promote excellence in interdisciplinary teaching, research and service, and further strengthen our engagement with the regional community,” Curtis said.

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Borderzine

# Conference held on ways to enhance border security

BY WILLIAM BLACKBURN AND JESUS SANCHEZ  
Special to the Prospector

México is going through a structural change to strengthen government and law enforcement in order to combat crime more effectively and weaken the drug cartels, according to a Mexican government official.

México has made great strides recruiting police officers and government workers that are not corrupt to help fight the drug cartels, said Alejandro Poiré, a spokesman for the Mexican National Security Council and Cabinet.

Speaking to leaders of the public and private sectors of México and the United States gathered August 15 and 16 at the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) for the Eighth Annual Border Security Conference, Poiré said Mexican courts are now prosecuting criminals more swiftly.

“México made a massive Congressional reform in 2007,” he said. “In 2006 México only had 6,500 federal police officers and today there are more than 35,000 federal police officers,” Poiré said. “The biggest problem with México is that cities like Juárez have grown, but there are not enough economic resources to keep up with the growth of the population.”

The U.S. side of the 2000-mile long U.S.-México border is more secure now than it has been at any time in the past 30 years according to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection region commissioner Alan Bersin.

“The border is the most secure from contraband in 30 years,” Bersin

said. “Crime is down from San Diego to Brownsville and El Paso and Phoenix, Arizona are among the safest cities in America.”

Bersin said that “Operation Hold the Line” started in Texas in 1993 still is effective in stopping illegal immigrants from crossing the border, forcing the smugglers and immigrants to cross further west into Arizona. “There are 21,000 border patrol agents and 60,000 Customs and Border Protection employees that are dedicated to protect the border,” he said.

The United States Trade Representative Ron Kirk said it is plain to see just how important trade with México is in Texas. In 2009, the El Paso metropolitan region exported approximately \$5.8 billion to México, which comes to over \$16 million daily.

Those facts and figures represent real benefits for Texas families, he said. Trade with México supports good-paying jobs here at home, he said. One of every four manufacturing jobs in Texas depends on manufacturing exports, he said.

“You can simply watch the bridges over the Rio Grande, where steady caravans of cars, trucks, buses, and motorbikes carry some of the nearly 1 million people who cross the border in both directions every day,” he said.

U.S. Representative Silvestre Reyes (D-Texas) and UTEP President Dr. Diana Natalicio hosted the conference on the UTEP campus. The conference couldn’t have been assembled at a better location than a border community according to Dr. Richard Pineda, Associate Professor of Communication at UTEP.




United States Trade Representative Ron Kirk (above left), U.S. Representative Silvestre Reyes (D.-TX) (above left) and Alejandro Poiré, a spokesman for the Mexican National Security Council and Cabinet, (below) spoke at the Eighth Annual Border Security Conference.

“I think there is something important about having a conferences about the border on the border, because it gives people a perspective, you have some insight. I think it’s harder to get it if you had a conference in México City or in Washington, D.C.,” he said.

This story was previously published on Borderzine.com, a project of the Department of Communication. William Blackburn, senior multimedia major, and Jesus Sanchez, senior multimedia major, may be reached at prospector@utep.edu. AA



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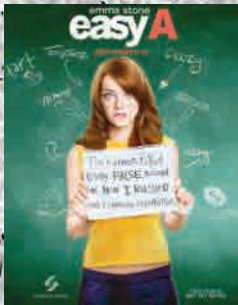
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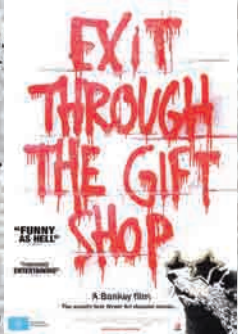
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| <b>CLAUDIA BREMER</b><br>"Cheap Champagne"<br>The exhibit arose from the idea of how objects are informally exchanged in society. Its main purpose is to track the journey of these objects. Cheap Champagne is a project from the El Paso-Juarez border where participants would have a chance to acquire free jewelry so that they can plan and exchange the objects. The intention is to track the exchange of the jewelry pieces in the physical reality, through the use of virtual reality.   | Aug. 25, 2011     | Oct. 3, 2011  |
| <b>MAGO GANDARA</b><br>"Peregrinas Inmigrantes"<br>Created since the safety exile exit from her Juarez studio retreat, her exhibit is titled Immigrant Pilgrims "Peregrinas Inmigrantes", a new series of large acrylic paintings and water colors. These paintings were finished in her El Paso studio. There will also be an artist talk titled "Muses and the Miracle Wall" featuring the artist herself and guitarist Rachel. This is scheduled for Thursday, November 10 at 5pm in the Andesite Rm. 102B in the Union Building East.   | Oct. 13, 2011     | Nov. 18, 2011 |
| <b>UTEP ART DEPARTMENT</b><br>The UTEP Art Department is excited to sponsor an art exhibit at the Union Exhibition Gallery showcasing works from our graduating senior art majors. There will be a wide range of artworks representing each discipline within the Art Department, including ceramics, drawing, graphic design, metals, painting, printmaking, and sculpture. The exhibition promises to showcase some the region's most talented and promising young artists, many of whom will go on to graduate study at the most prestigious art institutes in the United States and Europe. | Nov. 28, 2011     | Dec. 12, 2011 |

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Seven UTEP faculty to be honored for outstanding teaching

Seven faculty members from The University of Texas at El Paso have been recognized for their commitment to teaching and their ability to deliver excellence to the undergraduate learning experience in the classroom.

For the third year in a row, UTEP faculty members have been selected to receive The University of Texas System Regents' Outstanding Teaching Awards. The UTEP honorees were recognized at a ceremony Aug. 24 at the UT Austin campus. The recipients are Carolyn Mitchell, senior lecturer, Department of Communication; Keith Erekson, Ph.D., assistant professor, Department of History; Bridget Konter, Ph.D., assistant professor, Department of Geological Sciences; Larry Lesser, Ph.D., professor, Department of Mathematical Sciences; Stacey Sowards, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Communication; Stephen Stafford, Ph.D., professor, Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering; and Rachelle Thiewes, professor, Department of Art.

"We are very pleased and proud that another outstanding group of UTEP faculty members is being recognized by The University of Texas System Board of Regents," said UTEP President Diana Natalicio. "Each of these prestigious awards is a testament to the quality of UTEP faculty teachers and mentors and their dedication to UTEP's mission of providing our 21st century students with excellent educational opportunities. All of us on the campus join in congratulating them on these well-deserved honors and thank them for all they do for UTEP and the students we serve."

The UT System Board of Regents will also honor 72 faculty members from the system's nine academic institutions who demonstrate extraordinary classroom performance and innovation at the undergraduate level.

UTEP researcher earns NIH grant to study liver cancer

The National Institutes of Health awarded a UTEP researcher with a four-year, \$1.05 million grant to continue his study into ways to detect, diagnose and treat liver cancer, which impacts U.S. Hispanics more than twice as often as non-Hispanic whites.

Jianying Zhang, Ph.D., associate professor of biological sciences, said one of his short-term goals is to create biological markers that will better predict liver cancer in patients with chronic viral hepatitis and liver cirrhosis. His long-term goals include the development of advanced detection methods.

Zhang has researched liver cancer since the mid-1990s because he realized there was a lack of suitable biomarkers for early detection of this type of cancer, which seems to hit Hispanics the hardest.

He and his 11-member team plan to use novel strategies, including 3-D technology, to develop methods of early detection of abnormal cells. His team is made up of three doctoral students, two master's students, three undergraduates and one visiting scholar. The new grant will allow him to hire two postdoctoral students.

UTEP'S Office of Student Affairs names interim vice president

President Diana Natalicio has appointed Gary Edens as interim vice president of student affairs effective Sept. 1, following the retirement of Richard Padilla, who serviced as vice president for student affairs since March of 1994.

"I am very pleased to announce that Dr. Gary Edens has agreed to serve as interim vice president for student affairs," Natalicio said. "Having been both a student on this campus and a key member of the UTEP team for many years, Gary fully embraces our commitment to both access and excellence and shares our vision of becoming the first national research university with a 21st century student demographic. We look forward to working with him in his new role."

When he assumes his new duties, Edens will add eight departments to his current scope of responsibility and will oversee 18 student service departments and programs, 420 staff and student employees and a grant portfolio of more than \$27.5 million.

Edens has been employed by UTEP for 21 years and is the university's associate vice president and dean of students for the Division of Student Affairs. He has served as assistant vice provost for undergraduate studies and director of student success programs, where he oversaw the University Honors Program, Junior Scholars, New Student Orientation and the nationally recognized Student Leadership Institute. He also has served as director of the Student Development Center, assistant director of the Union Programs Office and coordinator of Leadership Programming.

Westbound schuster exit to open in time for fall semester, existing schuster entrance to I-10 will be closed

The Texas Department of Transportation has opened the new westbound Schuster Avenue exit off Interstate 10 in time for the fall semester at The University of Texas at El Paso.

However existing westbound Schuster entrance ramp to I-10 has closed for reconstruction. Traffic from Schuster Avenue wishing to enter I-10 headed west must turn onto Sun Bowl Drive and go through the UTEP roundabout to enter the interstate from University Avenue.

The work is part of an \$8 million improvement project that eventually will include a second westbound exit lane off Schuster, a flyover bridge that will guide traffic directly onto University Avenue, and a new westbound entrance to I-10 from University.



Event

'Al Fresco! Fridays' offers reggae, jazz and more

BY ALEJANDRO ALBA  
The Prospector

What nine years ago started as a way of keeping employees downtown on Fridays, has evolved over the past three years into this six-month event under the production and booking of El Paso's Convention and Performing Arts Centers.

Al Fresco! Fridays, in the downtown area, began as a series of concerts every Friday at 5 p.m. at the Arts Festival Plaza. The ninth annual edition of the series began in April and it will conclude on Sept. 30

"I think it's an event everyone in town should check out," said Christina Garcia sophomore education major. "It is perfect for when you don't have anything to do on a Friday."

According to Ashley Tantimonaco, event marketing manager for El Paso's Convention & Performing Arts Center's, Al Fresco Fridays has continued to grow this season. She mentioned that the attendance had maintained well over 1000 patrons per show.

"We are looking forward to a strong finish to the ninth season," Tantimonaco said.

While one season is finishing, the seeking of bands for next season has started. According to Tantimonaco, there is a long application window for bands to sign up for the next Al Fresco season, and applications will

be available beginning in September on Al Fresco Friday's website. Tantimonaco also mentioned that they seek out talent based on word of mouth and reputation.

"This city is full of gifted artists and performers," Tantimonaco said. "We are delighted to be able to provide them with a stage to showcase their talents."

The event not only features local bands, but also local flavored music, such as Cumbia, Salsa, Reggae, Classic Rock, and Blues among others genres.

"The music is so diverse, but my favorite part is when older couples start to dance," Garcia said. "It is very cute."

Since 2009 when Al Fresco began with its extended season, the response from the public has been positive and motivating, said Tantimonaco.

"The participation and interest from the people have been phenomenal," Tantimonaco said.

Just like Garcia, Natalia Miller, sophomore electrical engineering major, agreed that the music is very diverse and enjoyable.

"My friends and I tend to go once or twice a month," Miller said. "Usually we start our night there with a little dancing."

According to Tantimonaco, weather has not affect the attendance at the plaza, although, the warm weather



AUDREY RUSSELL / The Prospector

'Al Fresco! Fridays' offers various music genre Friday nights at the El Paso's Convention and Performing Arts Center.

might have deterred a few patrons, said Tantimonaco.

"I believe the allure of sitting outside, enjoying a beverage and relaxing is still the way many El Pasoans

kick off their weekend," Tantimonaco said.

Al Fresco Friday will be featuring the rock, alternative local band Red City Blue this upcoming Friday, Aug.

26. The rest of the band line up can be found on Al Fresco Friday's website at [www.alfrescofridays.com](http://www.alfrescofridays.com)

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Theatre

Summer under the stars with 'Shakespeare on the Rocks'



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'Shakespeare on the Rocks' this year is featuring "Othello", "Taming of the Shrew" and "Twelfth Night".

BY KRISTOPHER RIVERA  
The Prospector

Entering their 23rd season of Shakespeare on the Rocks, the El Paso community will soon enjoy the performing arts of Shakespeare's western literature under the stars.

Shakespeare on the Rocks returns to the stage beginning Aug. 26 at the Chamizal National Memorial Am-

phitheatre. This year the event will feature three different plays: "Taming of the Shrew," "Othello" and "Twelfth Night." It will run each weekend until Sept. 11.

"It's a challenge because you have a month to go over the lines, but you have your life and other stuff to do and when it comes down to Shakespeare it becomes your focus," actor Alex Wright said. "You have to focus

on it because you may think memorizing the lines is easy but it's pretty challenging because you have to know what you're saying in order to put emotion into it and to develop the character."

Paloma Flores, senior media advertising major, said that she's been to Shakespeare on the Rocks two years ago.

"I really liked it. It's good that there are activities and events that promote culture and are accessible to the community. You forget you are in El Paso. It was like a medieval festival."

This is Shakespeare on the Rock's second year at the Chamizal National Memorial Theatre. Before it was held at the McKelligon Canyon Amphitheatre then at Ysleta Fine Arts Amphitheater.

Shakespeare on the Rocks' Artistic director Hector Serrano talked about how the annual Shakespeare series came into fruition.

"I created Viva! El Paso in 1978, which became more of a dancing and singing show. So more of the acting was left out," he said.

That's when Serrano said he decided to take a different path.

"I said, 'well why don't I create a Shakespeare festival? As soon as Viva! closes, we'll open Shakespeare for the actors,'" he said.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$6 at any cashier within any El Paso Community College campus. Tickets at the door will be \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens.

For any further information about the event, visit their website at [www.shakespeareontherocks.com](http://www.shakespeareontherocks.com).

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*"You forget that you are in El Paso. It was like a medieval festival."*

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Event

Free ‘Movies in the Canyon’ attracts community

BY KRISTOPHER RIVERA  
The Prospector

Catch a glimpse of a shooting star while watching a favorite film with a date. Movies at the Mckelligon Canyon Amphitheatre kicked off this past weekend for its third year. This free public event plays hit movies every Friday and Saturday night until Oct 1. Movies range in category from animated kid’s PG films like “Cloudy with a chance of Meatball” to more mature, PG-13 films like “The Social Network”

Behind this production are the El Paso Convention & Performing Arts Centers. Also involved in sponsoring this event is the El Paso Employees Federal Credit Union. Together they have worked to give El Paso this privilege.

“We basically wanted to take the opportunity to introduce people to McKelligon Canyon, to show off the wonderful amphitheater we have and offer the wonderful weather,” event marketing manager Ashley Tantimonaco said. “Viva El Paso is in the canyon all throughout the summer and once that season ended, we decided to do a free event for people to come out and El Pasoans could have a little family time together.”

All this was made possible this year with the big help from the El Paso Employees Federal Credit Union.

“This is the first year that El Paso Employees Federal Credit Union is sponsoring Movies in the Canyon: This was our opportunity to show how we are trying to get more in-



ESTEBAN MARQUEZ / The Prospector

‘Movies in the Canyon’ is showing free movies every Friday and Saturday until Oct. 1 at 7:15 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

involved with the community,” social communications specialist Elisa Arce said. “We do a lot of family events, we sponsor the celebration of lights in

downtown in December, we do Kites for Kids in June, and again this is our first year doing this, so we’re really excited to be able to bring out these

movies and help out the convention center and contribute as much as possible.”

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Movie Review

Barbarian disappoints audiences



SPECIAL TO THE PROSPECTOR

“Conan the Barbarian” starring Jason Momoa was the No. 4 movie for the weekend with \$10 million.

BY ANDRES RODRIGUEZ  
The Prospector

Bloody, violent and barbarically uneven, Marcus Nispel directs a violent “Conan the Barbarian” with blood that is three dimensional, which is

too much to say for the storyline and characters.

The film begins strong in gore. Conan (Jason Momoa) is born amidst swooping swords and screaming barbarians from a battle-injured mother. Then, the film reaches its high point with Leo Howard’s performance as

a young Conan. He is relentless and barbaric as he slashes a group of savages, decapitates them and dangles their heads by the hair to the village. I could not help but cringe at the sight of that naive face splattered in blood.

The violence crescendoes as the village is slaughtered leaving Conan fatherless and craving revenge. As he grows older and Momoa steps in to flash his muscles around Hyboria, looking for his father’s killer, all while my interest steps out.

The film is cluttered with action sequences that are at times interesting and engaging but overall they are filmed and edited too frenetically to appreciate the true gore and action. Conan escaping sand monsters is perhaps the least forgettable action sequence, mostly due to the computer-generated imagery monsters. Still, the action somewhat saves the movie from an uneven script and insipid characters.

There is little to like about the protagonist. Yes, he is out to avenge his father and his anger comes with purpose, yet I did not root for him. Conan is a revengeful, deep-voiced, beefed up one-dimensional character. We are supposed to believe that Conan loved his father and is out to kill in his name. Instead, what we see is a nomadic warrior hunting down actor Stephen Lang not because he loved his father but because he’s got a sword, muscles and blood has to be shed.

The lack of character development is seen shamelessly in Conan’s pure-blood love interest Tamara (Rachel

Nichols). She screams, “Conan!” once in a while and is given not much more. The damsel in distress becomes nothing but a pretty face that Conan is slightly attracted to. Why? Who knows.

Lang and Rose McGowan are to some extent successful in portraying the evil power-hungry, Khalar Zym and his witch daughter, Marique. He seeks supernatural powers to bring his wife back from the dead to rule the world as a god. The motive, however is again lost in the gore and the violence.

The uneven script and storyline is at fault here. The film is at times of dialogue paced at a lulling speed while the action sequences are dizzyingly fast. All this with awkward and jagged transitions in between.

Although the gore overshadows just about all other elements of the film, the costume and set design were incredibly meticulous and well made. They were not completely enthralling but they were certainly nice to look at. The scenery was breathtaking and the cities looked authentic.

For all its flaws, “Conan the Barbarian” will please its target audience made up of young men seeking a dose of gory machismo. For others, although it might be occasionally fun and nice to look at, the film will remain full of unmemorable characters, a muddy script, and unabashed violence. Two out of five picks.

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Column

LOVE  
IN THE  
TIME OF  
COLLEGE



Lessons of  
a breakup

BY BEATRIZ A. CASTAÑEDA  
The Prospector

It seems that this summer was the breakup season for many. The truth is, for us college students, the dating game is often rather complicated with schedule conflicts and there is always a risk of getting hurt in the end.

When couples get involved in a romantic relationship it’s sometimes the fear of commitment that will eventually hit a dead end.

For those who may have hit that wall during the summer, the new semester can be a time to start over with a clean slate. Wipe away any tears and start fresh aiming, once again for perfect love or a renewed interest in your academic career.

Something good can always come out of a breakup. It helps you learn from your mistakes. Isn’t that how we learn in the first place? If we hadn’t made mistakes, then we wouldn’t have learned how to make things right.

Enjoy what is, without being preoccupied with what comes next... and what comes next might just surprise you. Perhaps this breakup can lead to another great thing. But it can’t be forced, it will just happens when you least expect.

With that being said, students in a relationship during college may have obstacles. The sad truth is, having vastly different schedules can be a major impediment to romance.

There are always the conflicting schedules of one’s routine in the day. Perhaps you’re that waitress who slogs the night shift from 3:30 p.m. to 12 a.m. five nights a week, while he just lies around his home all day. Or maybe one has night classes, while the other day classes or there’s always that part-time job/internship that keeps you preoccupied during the day.

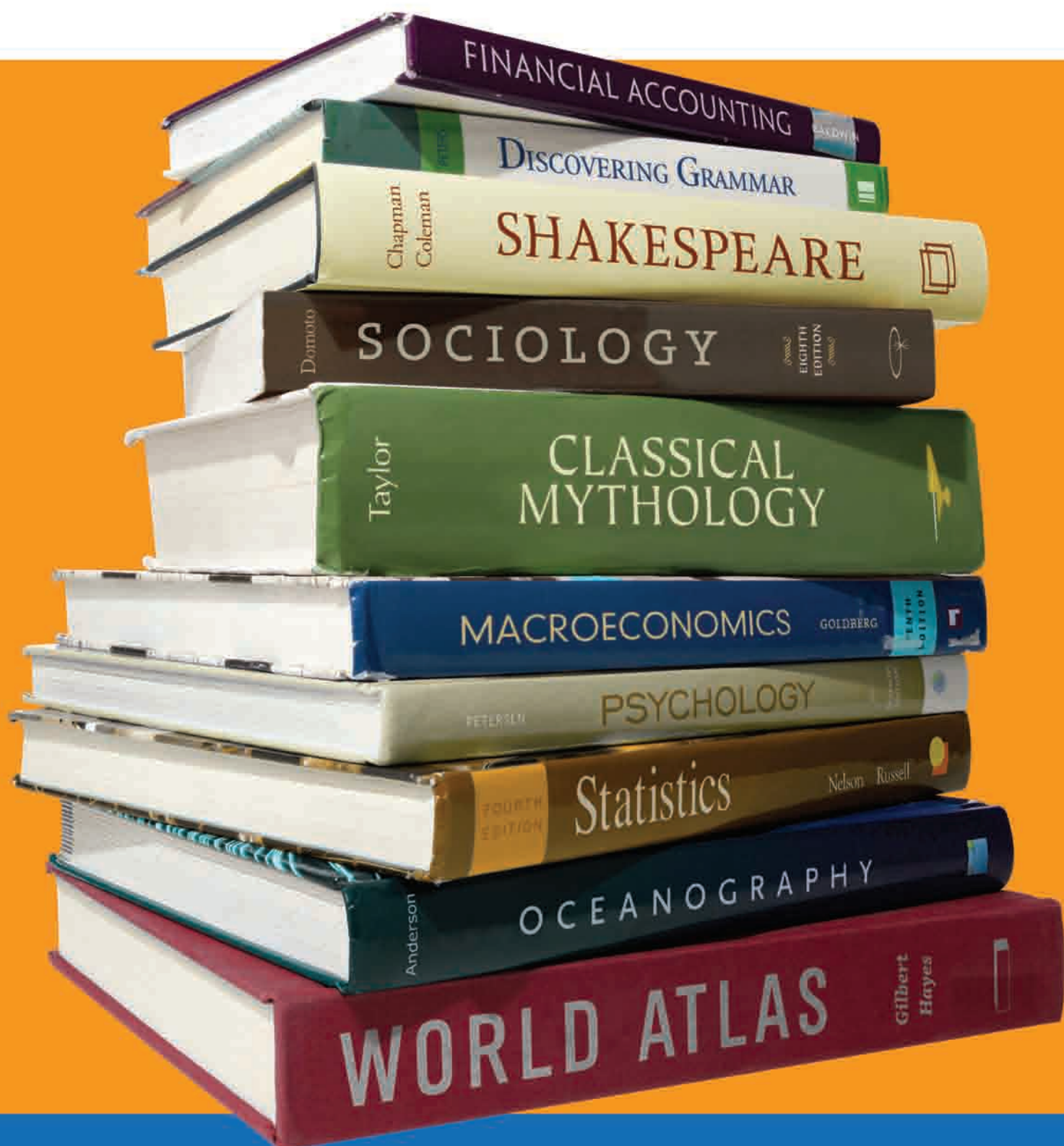
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My best advice is this: surely we all have our priorities of what comes first in our daily routine. However, as college students, we have been taught throughout our years that we must learn how to manage our time accordingly. Timing is everything and if we can learn how to find time for one another, then you can create a more profound and deeper relationship.

I've heard that friendships make the best relationships, so try to balance a friendly relationship with love relationship. For those times when you can't see each other there's always

today's technology where opportunities to call or text message during the day are a given. So the next time you and your date have a hard time getting your schedules in sync, remember that it may do the two of you some good in the long run. And if things just don't seem to be working in your relationship, know this: when a door shuts another one opens.

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MOVIES IN THE CANYON  
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"A number of people don't know it's up here. It's one of El Paso's hidden secrets so we're definitely excited to show it off," Tantimonaco said. "The reason why it's free, is to give El Paso families something to do, a quality of life initiative."

The McKelligon Canyon amphitheater is between the mountains overlooking the large inflatable screen placed on the stage. Students have also caught interest in attending this event, appreciating its free admission.

"This is something good for the community," Geoffrey Saucedo, junior psychology major. "With the prices of everything going up, this gives the people of El Paso a break on their wallets."

For more information about the event and complete movie listings, visit [www.moviesinthecanyon.com](http://www.moviesinthecanyon.com) or call 915-534-0686.

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By 1986, Anzures was ready to add another location. He found the restaurant's new name in San Juan Crisostomo (Crisostomo translates to the golden mouth), thus the name Burritos Crisostomo. Certainly naming it after a saint paid off. Around Juárez and El Paso, the restaurant offers the best burritos in town; and for some it even goes beyond that.

Aril Anzures, Ricardo's son, tells an anecdote about the day he realized his business had reached a new level of success that not even he could explain. One day at El Burro de Oro, they had tortillas for 1,500 burritos, but they ran out, so his father went out to buy more for the clients that kept arriving. As he was coming back, he dropped the tortillas. One of the clients who witnessed the incident said he didn't care if his burritos were made with those tortillas—he just wanted his burrito. Anzures realized that if clients were willing to have a burrito made out of a tortilla dropped on the floor, there had to be something special about the burritos they were producing.

"Success in a restaurant is a set of details like good food, good prices and excellent service, what else is left?" Anzures said. He also says decisions about changes are made based on knowing what the client wants.

After several offers were made from people wanting to place Crisostomo franchises in to places like Los Angeles and Dallas, Anzures decided it would be a good idea to open one in El Paso. He says that selling franchises is not an option, since Crisostmo is a family-operated business and he plans to keep it that way.

Ten years ago, Univision's "Primer Impacto" did a story on Burritos Crisostmo. The story, which ran in both Mexico and the United States, named employee Manuel Guiyen as

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Technology

# Spotify and Turntable.fm populizing music streaming



**Turntable.fm** is a browser-based chatroom that streams music based on the choices of a rotating cast of DJs drawn from whoever is in the room.

BY JERRY ALDAZ  
The Prospector

With the arrival of Spotify and Turntable.fm in recent months, students have additional options when discovering music besides online services such as Pandora, Rhapsody and iTunes.

Spotify, a Swedish-based import, made its American debut on July 14. Categorized as an on-demand music service, Spotify can import iTunes or Windows Media Player playlists and integrate stored music into its interface while offering unlimited access to 15 million songs.

According to the New York Times, Spotify's streaming rights come from the continuous negotiations and secured agreements with record labels like Warner Music Group.

Distributing content through various packages – open, unlimited and

premium, Spotify has an American user-base of 1.4 million. The Washington Post also notes that 175,000 of total subscriptions are paid memberships.

Once open, an ad-supported free version will grant unlimited music access for six months as an introductory promotion. Once the account exceeds the given time limit, streaming will be limited to 10 hours per month or two-and-a-half hours per week.

Paying only \$4.99 per month, eliminates advertisements and reestablishes unlimited monthly streaming. Upgrading to Premium, totaling \$9.99 per month, unlocks mobile streaming. Capable of synchronizing preferred playlists on-the-go, Spotify Premium allows on-demand music through any smartphone or com-

puter even when not connected to the Internet.

"Using Spotify is better for me because it categorizes my music very well and it also gives me an opportunity to share music with my friends," said Miguel Ramirez, senior creative writing major. "I also find the iPhone app convenient because I can enjoy custom playlists and stream new songs even when they are not synced with my phone."

Students interested in interacting with individuals of similar music preferences might find Turntable.fm the fitting environment for musical exploration.

As outlined by Forbes, Turntable.fm features member-made listening rooms. Consisting of five DJs and a virtual dance floor, user avatars have the opportunity to communicate with each other through an embedded chat.

DJs take turns in showcasing individual tracks of their liking. Songs played can either be retrieved from

user's hard drive or the website's database of 11 million tracks.

Once the song has initiated, both the audience and DJs can rate it either "Awesome" or "Lame." If a majority dislikes the song, the selection will be skipped.

"Its approach to music is quite a unique idea," said Rebekah Renee Grado, senior English major. "I often like to be an spectator on the crowd while I do other tasks on the Internet. It expands my musical horizons

by listening and uncovering trends others are interested in."

The New York Times states that Turntable.fm has been an efficient outlet for small record companies. According to the report, labels are using this interactive musical medium to receive feedback on sponsored musicians and observe promising artists.

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Technology

Movie rental and streaming services restructuring a film distribution



Junior criminal justice major Justin Tompkins, left, and freshman Biochem major Marco Lopez, right, browse Netflix for a movie to watch during their break from class.

DIANA AMARO / The Prospector

*“The best thing about Netflix is it’s ready whenever you are, you don’t have to drive anywhere with the probability that what you’re looking for isn’t available.”*

- Maria Pasillas  
junior creative writing major

net competitor in the movie rental industry.

Under its official website, Netflix packages starts at \$7.99 for unlimited streaming of movies and TV shows. Streaming can be accessed through all major gaming consoles, select smartphones and tablets alongside an array of Internet-capable devices. Netflix also offers DVD rentals (one-at-a-time) for only \$7.99 more per month and an additional \$2 add-on to receive Blu-Ray movies.

“The best thing about Netflix is it’s ready whenever you are,” said Maria Pasillas, junior creative writing major. “You don’t have to have to drive anywhere with the probability that what you’re looking for isn’t available. Netflix might not have what you want on Instant Streaming, but it’s more likely that you’ll find an old favorite you want to watch.”

For students who prefer physical DVDs, both Redbox and Blockbuster offer attractive rates on Hollywood’s biggest hits.

Calculated at approximately 27,800 kiosks across the nation, Redbox’s accommodating locations make movie night a hassle-free experience.

Printed on the machines themselves, Redbox’s DVD rentals cost one dollar per night while Blu-Ray rank at \$1.50 a night. Attempt to entice gamers, CBS further reports that Redbox has begun renting video games at \$2 per night.

“Redbox is quick and easy. The movies available are popular and most recent,” said Stephanie Torres, freshman music performance major.

“The only down side is that if you feel like watching something old, you probably won’t find it there.”

For those in search of a broader selection, Blockbuster’s 3-tier rental system can prove a beneficial alternative.

Start at \$11.99 per month, customers can rent one movie or video game at a time. The company also offers two-disc rentals for \$16.99 and a three-disc package for \$19.99.

“Netflix and Redbox have seriously damaged sales,” said a local Blockbuster employee who wished to remain anonymous. “Daily revenue used to be in the hundreds, and while I don’t have exact figures, profit has been notably lower. The decrease in business has dramatically lowered employee hours.”

Additional online streaming services from YouTube and Amazon provide movie lovers with even more choices and payment flexibility.

Adjacent to YouTube’s search bar, YouTube movies is an online portal which features recently released films and popular classics. Ranging from \$2.99 to \$3.99, this rental system grants users a 30-day window to use their 24-hour viewing pass. This service also offers free movies with scheduled commercial interruptions.

Similarly, Amazon Instant Video offers streaming on more than 5,000 films and TV shows. Prices vary from \$0.99 for daily specials to \$20.99 for an entire TV season. The online retailer also offers Amazon Prime - a \$79 yearly subscription which allows members unlimited streaming.

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BY JERRY ALDAZ  
The Prospector

Convenience and fixed monthly rates have influenced the way people access films. For the first time since 2001, movie rentals have outnumbered movie purchases, according to Los Angeles Times.

While distributors Blockbuster and Hollywood Video have experienced declining revenue, Netflix, Redbox and other online providers have received consumer adoptability.

Failing to adapt to consumer preferences, Bloomberg reported that Movie gallery, parent company of Hollywood Video, filed for bankruptcy court last year. Primary rival Blockbuster also filed for bankruptcy in 2010, as announced by the Toronto Sun.

With 25 million subscribers and 20 percent of all bandwidth consumption, according to various online sources, Netflix has become a promi-

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Football

# Cornerbacks coach brings new attitude in first year

BY DANIEL ORNELAS  
The Prospector

First year cornerbacks coach Gabe Franklin expects his players to play with some swagger.

Franklin has some swagger of his own as he brings experience from both the collegiate and NFL level.

"I'm looking for playmakers out there who aren't afraid to make the big play," Franklin said. "Go out there with some swagger, what they call it, and have confidence out there and play fast."

He joined the Miners coaching staff this past summer after receiving a call about an opening from safeties coach Al Simmons.

"It was a late move, but I don't think we could have found anybody better. He just worked out great. We miss Allen Johnson; he was kind of a player favorite," Price said. "Gabe has so much experience playing in the league and playing in a good program at Boise State....for a young guy, he's tremendous. I'm very pleased with how he's doing."

Before joining the Miners, Franklin played his college ball at Boise State, a former Western Athletic Conference foe of UTEP. There, he was part of a team that compiled a 44-7 record including two bowl wins between 2001 and 2004.

NFL teams called for Franklin's services. He signed as a free agent with the San Diego Chargers, New York Giants and San Francisco 49ers during his three-year stint. He even made

a run in the now extinguished NFL Europe with the Cologne Centurions.

After his playing career was over in 2007, Franklin turned to coaching going back home to his high school, Bishop O'Dowd in Oakland, California. He broke into the college coaching ranks at the University of California as a defensive assistant from 2008 through 2009 then earned his first cornerbacks coaching job at the University of San Diego in 2010.

"I got on at Cal as a defensive assistant for two years. I learned a lot and that's where I met coach Simmons. We both coached the defensive backs," Franklin said. "This past summer I got a call from coach Simmons. He told me they had a job opening here. I had the interview and now I'm here. I'm really excited."

Prior to UTEP, he helped coach players at Cal who were drafted and are playing in the NFL: Syd'Quan Thompson with the Denver Broncos and Chris Conte with the Chicago Bears.

"I've been there and I know what it takes to get there and I've coached kids who have gotten there. I see some talent here that has a chance," Franklin said. "I tell the guys everyday to keep working to get to that next step and take each day as a stepping stone to your dream....I look forward to seeing them in the future playing in the NFL."

Defensive coordinator Andre Patterson is pleased with what he's seen so far from coach Franklin.

"It's been great. He's got a wealth of experience from playing at Boise

and in the NFL," Patterson said. "He's been really good with our corners."

Patterson preaches a physical, fast and technically sound play from his defense. Franklin expects the same from his cornerbacks.

"I want a confident, aggressive and very disciplined group. I want them to be very technical in what they do and just make plays," Franklin said.

Players have noticed the benefits of learning from coach Franklin.

"I think he's a great coach. Ever since he's got here, he's only made me a better player," junior cornerback Drew Thomas said. "He's really focusing on technique a lot. For me that's big because my technique wasn't always great."

UTEP is a place Franklin is quite familiar with from his playing days at Boise State and he said he has fond memories from playing in the Sun Bowl.

"My last year in 2004, I think coach Price probably called the play," Franklin said. "It was a reverse double pass. They thought they had me, but they didn't. I knocked the ball down. I got an interception that game, too. It was a good experience."

Now Franklin is glad to call UTEP his new home.

"I love this city," he said. "People are very friendly, it's my home right now so I'll enjoy it."

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BOB CORRAL / The Prospector

**First-year cornerback** coach Gabe Franklin strolls off the field following UTEP's latest scrimmage Aug. 20 at the Sun Bowl.

Volleyball

# Former junior olympian, gold medalist adopts leadership role as senior



FILE PHOTO

**Senior libero Stephanie** Figueroa jumps as she prepares to serve the ball in a game last season.

BY KRYSTAL OBLINGER  
The Prospector

If there is any force to be reckoned with on the volleyball court, it is Puerto Rican-born and senior libero Stephanie Figueroa. Named Confer-

ence-USA player of the week twice last year, she was the only member of the UTEP volleyball team to perform in all 111 sets.

Figueroa's stats speak for themselves. Each accomplishment comes with past experiences and a poised

approach to the game that makes her one of the strongest players on the court.

"She has this great ability to lead people around her because she's confident and a mature player," coach Ken Murphy said.

While in her hometown of Bayamon, Puerto Rico, she was a three-time National Beach Volleyball Champion and translated that success on to UTEP's hardwood.

"Playing beach volleyball is completely different than playing indoor volleyball," Figueroa said. "It's just you and your partner. You don't have a coach or a big team, and I do like it better because you don't have to worry if the players are ready to perform. It's just a different atmosphere."

In high school, she was named her team's MVP in 2007. She then went on to win gold twice at the USA Volleyball Junior Olympics. Figueroa was offered a scholarship by Iowa Western Community College from 2008 to 2009 when she became Iowa Western's all-time career leader in digs. She led the team to a 42-6 record that placed them in sixth place at the NJCAA Championships.

"One of my dreams was to always get a scholarship to the U.S. and the opportunity was there so I took it," Figueroa said.

After two years at the community college, she was invited to play at

UTEP by coach Murphy. In her first season, she totaled 476 digs, which placed her third in the UTEP's record book for digs in a season.

"I had never been to El Paso," she said. "When I was on the plane I saw all the dry, desert mountains, which was weird. I'm from Puerto Rico so I'm used to seeing a lot of green and here it was just super dry."

Despite the shock of her new surroundings, Figueroa fell in love with the campus and found that everyone was extremely welcoming. Figueroa's roommate and sophomore libero Victoria Valencia found a friend and a role model when they met.

"It was kind of funny ending up as roommates because we both play the same position, we're the same height, we both wear the same size, like the same stuff and have the same jump serve," Valencia said. "We got along just fine and we became very good friends. So much so that my family has called her their daughter because we act like sisters."

Leading the team, Figueroa tries to instill the same confidence in her teammates and help them realize what they need improvement on.

"We are trying to find more ways to give her more responsibilities," Murphy said. "We want our players to train like her and think like her because she is a very talented player on and off the court."

Valencia has given Figueroa a nickname because of how much she helps the team get better.

"We both bring each other up, we look for support in each other and I always look up to her so she is kind of like 'My Little Leader,'" Valencia said. "She just gives feedback on what she saw from her point of view and we all appreciate that because she never puts us down. She has confidence in everyone."

With their first game around the corner, Figueroa looks forward to refining her play and helping the team work harder this season.

"There is always room for improvement and I want to improve on my serve-receive and my defense," Figueroa said. "As a team we need to play hard all the time, no matter the team and no matter how tired we are."

The Miners volleyball team will continue the season with high hopes despite knowing at the end of the year the seniors will be leaving.

"It's going to be sad when she leaves because she is a senior but we all learn from her and our good chemistry on the court," Valencia said.

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Soccer

Free-kick goals the difference in front of record-breaking crowd



JUSTIN STENE / The Prospector  
**Junior forward Brittany** Kindzierski makes a play at the ball during the second half of UTEP’s season-opening victory against NMSU Aug. 19 at University Field.

BY WILLIAM VEGA  
The Prospector

With 1,705 fans in the stands, the UTEP Miners showed their nerves for the first 45 minutes of the 2011 season. By the time it was all said and done, head coach Kevin Cross had one message to indicate his sigh of relief.

“Thank goodness for Tess Hall. We felt the first half we didn’t play our soccer, not representing what we did in training camp,” Cross said. “I thought the girls were tight because it was an electric atmosphere. We talked to them in the second half and it changed completely.” Junior midfielder Tess Hall scored two goals off of free kicks in the sec-

ond half to defeat the NMSU Aggies 2-0 in front of a record-breaking crowd Aug. 19 at University Field. In a scoreless game, Hall was allowed a free kick in the 75th minute from just outside the penalty box. This came after junior forward Brittany Kindzierski was taken down from behind by an NMSU defender. Hall sailed the shot over the four-player

wall connecting in the upper-right hand corner of the goal. “We always tell the team that set pieces win games at every level and today, Tess Hall showed that she’s one of the best in the country at taking set pieces,” Cross said. “When I recruited her, I told her she was a female version of David Beckham, in a positive sense, because she can bend the balls around the wall.” UTEP continued to control possession of the ball after the score and were quickly looking for an insurance goal. The Miners had to wait just six minutes for another opportunity when Hall was allowed another free kick a few feet farther than her first shot. This time, the wall of defenders stopped the goal for a short moment. The shot hit a leaping defender and before it could touch the ground, Hall kicked it under the wall to score in the bottom-right hand corner of the goal. “I didn’t expect it all and even after I struck it, I didn’t expect it to go in,” Hall said. “Just to see it hit the back of the net was a great surprise.” In a final gasp of desperation, the Aggies tried to get back in the game with under nine minutes to play in the contest. NMSU took their only three shots on goal in that stretch but freshman goalkeeper Sarah Dilling came up with the saves in her first collegiate start. “The first few minutes I was kind of freaking out when I found out I was going to start,” Dilling said. “I settled down the second half of the first half and got into it. The team settled down in the second half and we were good.”

Dilling finished the game with five saves just one day after Cross told her she would be getting the start. One of her saves to preserve the tie came in the 11th minute when she stopped sophomore midfielder Daisy Hernandez’s point-blank shot from inside the box. Following a slow first half that seemed to be dominated by the Aggies in terms of possession, the Miners were in control for nearly the entire second half. UTEP took 11 shots in the second half including three on goal in the final 45 minutes. The first shot came just one minute into the game when sophomore midfielder Tori Martyn was stopped by NMSU sophomore goalie Erin Wosick. That set up back-to-back corners that could not find the target and initially stopped the Miners’ best attempt at the goal in the first half. UTEP will now take on Houston Baptist in the first game of the Second-Annual Border Bash Aug. 26 at University Field. The Miners will conclude the invitational against Praire View A&M at 1 p.m. Aug. 28.

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Football

# Junior safety marches defense into new season

BY DANIEL ORNELAS  
The Prospector

A leader is defined as a person who guides or directs a group. The responsibility of it may simply come with the territory of being the eldest in that group. Junior safety DeShawn Grayson has both the ability to lead and the responsibility of being the eldest in the defensive backs group.

“It pretty much comes with the territory. Then again, I am the oldest and the most experienced in the safety room and overall on the field as well,” Grayson said “Somebody has to step up and a lot of guys look up to me, so I have to play that role.”

Grayson’s career at UTEP has been a successful one so far. He earned Conference-USA All-Freshman team honors in 2009, played all 13 games last season starting in 11 of them at free safety.

Head Coach, Mike Price is hoping Grayson relishes the leadership role and expects a great year out of him.

“I think it’s about time that he does (step in as a leader). We’ll see if he does or not,” Price said. “He’s going to have a great year. He’s kind of the quarterback in the backfield out there on defense.”

Grayson caught the eye of coach Price as a high school star at Rancho Verde in Riverside, California. He attended the same high school as former UTEP defensive leader, Da’Mon Cromartie-Smith, now a member of the Pittsburgh Steelers. At Rancho Verde, Grayson was named team MVP, first team All-League and was selected to play in the Southern California Bowl.

“Cromartie was a stepping stone, I felt that after he got out he gave us younger guys opportunities and made us look at UTEP,” Grayson said. “For sure I wasn’t thinking about UTEP at the time and I started to look more into it. After seeing Cromartie here, it just made me want to be here. I just knew it would be a great school.”

Grayson knew UTEP was the right fit for him and is confident he made the right choice in becoming a Miner.

“Coaches, loyalty, players, the environment, everything just fits me,” Grayson said. “I’m not a party guy. Just football and school.”

Defensive Coordinator, Andre Patterson is looking to Grayson to be the leader everyone expects him to be.

“He’s been doing a great job with that ever since the season was over last year. (He’s) trying to become a leader in the back end as well as with



UTEP ATHLETICS

**Junior defensive back** DeShawn Grayson gets to the Arkansas-Pine Bluff ball carrier during the team’s 2010 season opener at the Sun Bowl.

the whole defense,” Patterson said. “We don’t do anything freelance, we play technique, gap responsibility defense...it’s 11 guys playing as one.”

Grayson is excited for what his junior season has ahead for him and his teammates.

“I’m looking for a great year, most of us are coming back,” Grayson said.

“I think we have that experience playing together and what it takes to be good or to be great.”

His teammates have seen the benefit of having a veteran like Grayson in the back end of the defense.

“DeShawn Grayson’s a great player. I’ve always felt comfortable with him over the top. He has great speed and

he’s real tough guy,” junior cornerback Drew Thomas said. “He is one of the leaders out there, he’s really vocal on the field and that’s helpful, especially to a corner.”

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Volleyball

# Nine returners highlight 2011 campaign



BOB CORRAL / The Prospector

**Sophomore middle blocker** Jeane Horton sends the ball past her defender during a practice Aug. 18.

BY KRYSTAL OBLINGER  
The Prospector

Following a season with multiple changes in the starting position, the Miners volleyball team returns to the court with a competitive attitude toward winning.

“We are really dedicated to running our systems and playing our style of volleyball,” senior outside hitter Marie-Therese Joyce said. “We know who we are despite what is happening on the other side of the court and that is our strength.”

Last season opened with a fresh team that met problems with cohesiveness. Since the team has had time to get to know one another, said head coach Ken Murphy, he believes things may be different this year.

“We had to deal with a lot of ups-and-down last year because of how

young the team was,” Murphy said. “This year they’ve been together for sometime and had a chance to become familiar with each other and find out what needs to be done to be successful.”

The squad opened last season with a group of six new members and only two starters from the prior team.

One of the returning starters from last season, sophomore middle blocker Jeane Horton, said the youth of the team was a problem but that has now been resolved. Horton was one of two Miners named to the C-USA all-freshman team in 2010.

“The strength of our team is our defense. My strengths are my jumping abilities and the heart that I have for the game,” Horton said. “My weakness is my communication on the court, which is something I’m working harder on this season.”

Horton hit .256 in league contests to rank 19th in C-USA. Horton enters her second season as a starter, and was the only freshman in the league to rank among the conference leaders in hits.

While Horton is part of a young six-player sophomore class, only two seniors comprise this year’s team. Fifth-year senior Joyce has adopted the role of leader along with senior libero Stephanie Figueroa.

Joyce finished last season with a season-best nine kills against NC Central and ranked 13th in C-USA. She picked up a season-high 11 digs at UT-San Antonio and recorded 70 kills and 73 digs.

“I’m excited to just get better throughout this season and win some matches,” Joyce said. “I want us to be a NCAA tournament-caliber team so that is the bottom line of what we are setting ourselves up for.”

But the biggest challenge to face this season is not so much on the court as it is in the recognition. Coach Murphy is the second-most tenured head coach in UTEP’s history and is now entering his sixth year.

“I think we have a vision for where we want our program to be. What we are trying to do has never been done before in terms of level of play,” Murphy said. “We want to be able to compare ourselves with top teams and change the way people who run our program and the community think of what is capable here at UTEP”

Despite the freshness of the team, Murphy looks forward to conference play and how the team has matured over the course of two years.

“I’m interested to see how we do against Tulsa, but it’s a deep conference with a lot of good senior players,” he said. “We’re a talented team, we play defense and put pressure on the other team better than we have in the past.”

The Miners open the season against Southern at 10 a.m, Aug 26th.

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QUARTERBACK from page 1

Lamaison became a staple in the first team prior to the announcement after he learned the playbook and built a trust with his teammates over the summer. During spring practices, he would split snaps with three other quarterbacks, freshman Javia Hall, sophomore Carson Meger and senior Tate Smith. This was due, in part, to his lack of knowledge in the playbook, according to Price.

“I made it really important coming here to be in my playbook constantly to know my offense how my coaches know it so they could feel a level of comfort with me,” Lamaison said. “I did that, kept working hard...everyone kind of noticed by rallying around me and it worked out well for me.”

Lamaison is a transfer from Mt. San Antonio College where he led the Mounties to a 13-0 record en route to a state and national championship in 2010. Last season, he finished with 3,993 yards, 30 touchdowns and 12 interceptions.

Lamaison joined Mt. SAC in 2008 where he threw for 3,479 yards, 36 touchdowns and eight interceptions. That year, he was named to the first team JC Athletic Bureau All-American squad and was the California Community College Region 3 offensive player of the year.

He will take over the position from four-year starter Trevor Vittatote. Vittatote, currently vouching for a spot with the Chicago Bears, left UTEP with a school-record 12,439 yards and 97 touchdowns in his four-year career.

The next battle up for grabs will be the second-string quarterback. As of Aug. 20, an official back-up QB had not been named.

“It’s always tough when you’re not the starter but it’s really the back ups that carry you through the season,” Price said. “If I felt like we had a great back-up last year, I would have put him in for Trevor...I didn’t feel like Carson was ready back then.”

In the spring, it was Hall who seemed to be a plausible candidate for the starting role when he played with the first-team offense in the Spring Game along with Lamaison. Following individual summer workouts, it was Meger and Smith who jumped Hall in the rotation during scrimmages at Camp Socorro. Meger has been seen as the second quarterback behind center since the first practice in August.

“Javia is really good but he’s young and inconsistent right now. He has to work on a lot of phases of his game,” Price said. “I wouldn’t be afraid to put him in because he can make things happen.”

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**Junior transfer quarterback** Nick Lamaison will take over the starting position for UTEP’s season opener against Stony Brook Sep. 3 at the Sun Bowl.



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| Dodgeball*         | 11/02/11 | 11/07/11   |
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| WEIGHT TRAINING (12 LIMIT) | 6:00-7:00 am*   | M/W/F | SRC, Weight room | DAVID      |
| BOOT CAMP                  | 9:00-10:00 am   | M/W   | MG main floor    | REYNA      |
| ULTIMATE ABS               | 10:30-11:15 am* | M/W   | SRC, MAC GYM     | REYNA      |
| YOGA FLOW                  | 11:30-12:30 pm* | M/W   | SRC, MAC GYM     | REYNA      |
| BODY SCULPTING I           | 1:00-2:00 pm    | M/W   | MG main floor    | JAVIER     |
| DANCER'S WORKOUT           | 2:30-3:20 pm    | M/W   | MG, rm. 119      | MARINA     |
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| BELLY DANCE                | 4:00-5:00 pm    | M/W   | MG, rm. 11       | SERGIO     |
| ZUMBA                      | 4:15-5:15 pm*   | M/W   | SRC, MAC GYM     | ZARA       |
| YOGA                       | 5:30-6:30 pm    | M/W   | MG rm. 119       | MARIA      |
| TOTAL BODY WORKOUT         | 5:45-6:45 pm    | M/W   | MG rm. 120/100   | JOE        |

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| PROGRAM                     | TIME           | DATE  | LOCATION           | INSTRUCTOR |
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| TAI YO-PILATES              | 6:10-7:10 am   | T/TH  | MG, rm. 119        | MR.YANG    |
| CONDITIONING                | 6:30-7:30 am   | T/TH  | MG, rm. 120        | JOE        |
| CLIMB FIT (12 LIMIT)        | 9:00-10:00 am* | M/W   | SRC, climbing wall | ANA        |
| PILATES                     | 9:00-10:00 am* | M/W/F | SRC, MAC Gym       | REYNA      |
| PILATES                     | 12:00-1:00 pm* | M/W   | SRC, MAC Gym       | ANA        |
| CIRCUIT TRAINING (15 LIMIT) | 2:00-3:00 pm   | M/W   | SRC weight room    | CHRISTINA  |
| HATHA YOGA                  | 3:00-4:00 pm   | T/TH  | MG rm. 120         | MEGAN      |
| ZUMBA                       | 4:15-5:15 pm*  | T/TH  | SRC, MAC GYM       | ZARA       |
| STEP AEROBICS & ABS         | 4:30-5:20 pm   | M/W   | MG rm. 120/118     | ROSE       |
| KARDO KICKBOXING            | 5:30-6:30 pm*  | T/TH  | SRC, MAC GYM       | NELLIE     |
| BODY SCULPTING II           | 6:00-7:00 pm   | T/TH  | MG rm. 120         | JAVIER     |

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| Sat        | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm |
| Sun        | Noon– 5:00 pm     |

#### POOL BLOCK HOURS (Recreational Swimming)

##### FALL/SPRING

|           |                    |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Mon – Fri | 5:30 am – 9:30 am  |
|           | 11:30 am – 1:30 pm |
|           | 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm  |
| Sat       | 9:00 am – 3:00 pm  |
| Sun       | Noon pm – 4:00 pm  |

##### SUMMER

|           |                    |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Mon – Fri | 5:30 am – 9:30 pm  |
|           | 11:30 am – 2:00 pm |
|           | 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm  |
| Sat       | 9:00 am – 3:00 pm  |
| Sun       | Noon pm – 4:00 pm  |

##### Break between semesters

|           |                    |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Mon – Fri | 5:30 am – 08:30 am |
|           | 11:30 am – 1:30 pm |
|           | 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm  |
| Sat       | 9:00 am – 3:00 pm  |
| Sun       | 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm |



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