

Introducing Concordia's New E-Magazine!

Dear Friend,

Since 1926, Concordia University Texas has been proud to tell the stories of our current students, faculty, staff, and alumni as they engage in their multiple vocations. Our print magazine will continue to do this, of course, but we want to be in touch with you more than twice a year! Thus, we hope you enjoy this e-magazine, and we pray that you will join us by supporting the various programs and scholarship opportunities that allow more students to join us on the adventure of faith, learning, and life-changing experiences which leads to meaningful work.

Blessings,

Dr. Don Christian
President and CEO

Concordia's Spring 2016 Commencement Ceremonies

Chelsey Doering '10, Digital Content Specialist



Ben Swafford '16, Religious Education

Riverbend Center on April 30. Hundreds of friends, families, and supporters attended and cheered on the newest CTX alumni as they walked across the stage.

Dr. Erik Green, School of Business and Communication, received the Martin J. Neeb Teaching Excellence Award and a standing ovation. Quotes from students were read aloud before it was presented, praising Dr. Green for his scholarship and dedication to his students and vocation.

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Highlights of an Eventful Spring in CTX Athletics

Tom Ritter, Sports Information Director



AUSTIN, TX - The winter and spring sports seasons saw much improvement from a number of teams at Concordia Texas.

The basketball teams both earned berths to the American Southwest Conference tournaments to conclude their seasons. On the men's side, the Tornados finished with 15-11 overall record and 8-6 in ASC play. It marked the squad's seventh straight season over the .500 mark.

The CTX women wrapped up the year at 14-12 and 5-9 in league play. The 14 victories overall were the most since the 2012-13 squad won 17 contests.

The spring campaign saw a couple of ASC championships for the Tornados at both the team and individual level.

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Concordia Serves Cambodia

Chelsey Doering '10, Digital Content Specialist



Dr. Grant Carey, School of Education, journeyed to Cambodia with 7 Concordia students to do mission work earlier this summer.

During the two week trip, the group worked with homeless children by picking them up from their "homes" each day, bathing them, playing with them, feeding them, and taking them to school. The weather was brutal - over 100 degrees Fahrenheit each day - and there was little to no air conditioning.

They were able to support and serve the staff of the mission organization called [Crossing Cambodia](#) by doing some of their normal weekly tasks, such as building projects around their facility and worshipping with them. The team was also able to purchase and assemble a "tuk tuk" (similar to a motorcycle taxi), which the team at Crossing Cambodia will be able to use in their continued ministry.

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A Student's Perspective: Major (and Minor) Choices

Laura Nelsen, '16

Laura has just completed her bachelor's degree at Concordia this spring and is now well on her way to doing meaningful work. We were blessed to have her serve as a student intern in the Marketing and Communications Office during her last semester, and we are excited to share some of the writing and learning she did during that time with you now.

Chelsey Doering, '10

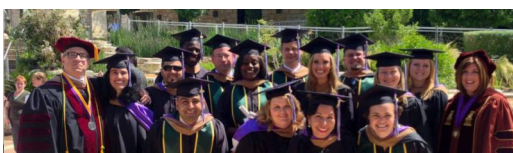
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"Teaching is hard, and educators deserve more respect than they are often given. They're there when students learn, have difficulties at home, discover a favorite subject, and make friends. Good teachers become like family to their students. It's a great profession if you're looking for a job that emphasizes altruism and influence. Today's teachers help determine how the next generation will respond to future challenges.

Teaching, however, is not for everyone. I was once an education major, but I ultimately decided to switch majors and add an education minor."

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\$1,000 Alumni Tuition Award Offered for MBA Program

A \$1,000 Award is being offered to Concordia alumni who would like to return to enroll in the MBA Program. All undergraduate majors are welcome to apply for the award, which is distributed over the Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 semesters.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

[Instant Decision Night](#)

July 27 & August 9; Main Campus & NLUC

[En Route! Sessions 1 & 2](#)

August 19 & 20; Main Campus

[First Tornado Men's Soccer Game of the Season](#)

August 22; Huston-Tillotson

[First Tornado Women's Soccer Game of the Season](#)

August 24; Lone Star Soccer Club

[First Day of Classes](#)

August 29

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