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Campus News

Carleton alumni giving rate named among nation's top ten

Carleton's average alumni giving rate is the sixth highest in the entire United States, according to *U.S. News and World Report's* piece "15 Colleges Where the Most Alumni Donate." [Read the full story.](#)



Class of 2028 update

On December 13, the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Aid released decision notifications to students applying to Carleton through the first early decision round. After reviewing over 600 applications, 160 early decision students, 12 Posse Scholars, and 19 QuestBridge College Match Scholars were offered admission to join Carleton's Class of 2028. The 191 newly selected Carls will contribute to the College in many ways based on their academic interests, talents, leadership, and incredible life stories.

The initial group of students admitted represent 34 states and the District of Columbia. Further, seven percent are international students and an additional six percent are students that hold dual citizenship status. The class also includes 16 percent who are the first in their family to attend a four-year college and 20 percent are Pell Grant-eligible. 57 percent of students have qualified for need-based financial aid, with an average Carleton grant of \$62,705. The early decision round is the first group of students to be admitted to Carleton in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision banning the consideration of race in college admissions.

– Vice President and Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Art Rodriguez '96

Perlman Teaching Museum exhibition featured on MPR's Art Hounds

The current exhibition at Carleton's Perlman Teaching Museum, [Towards a Warm Embrace](#), was recently featured on Minnesota Public Radio's *Art Hounds* show. The

exhibition, which runs through April 14, features the work of New York-based artists **Finnegan Shannon '11** and **Ezra Benus**.

[Listen to audio and read more on the MPR website.](#)



Voices of Israel and Palestine events continue

Members of campus have been participating in a [series of events](#) to engage in dialogue around the ongoing conflict in Israel and Palestine. Events have been organized in partnership with the [Parents Circle - Families Forum \(PCFF\)](#), a joint Israeli-Palestinian organization formed in 1995 of over 600 families. The closing presentation in the series will be held on campus on February 11.

Knights sports highlights

Men's basketball has notched a number of [victories in the past few weeks](#), including against St. Mary's, Bethel, and Gustavus Adolphus. Additionally, [Luke Harris '25](#) joined the 1,000-point club and earned his [fourth MIAC Player of the Week](#) award this year.



The swimming and diving teams took on MIAC powerhouse Gustavus Adolphus on January 12. While the [men's team](#) came up short, they posted their highest point total ever against the Gusties, and the [women's team](#) was victorious in their first win against this opponent in six years.



Find more [headlines, results, and the schedule for all varsity sports on the Carleton Knights website](#). You can find streaming coverage of Carleton sports on the [MIAC Sports Network](#).

Career Center

Career discernment through December externships

The week after fall term finals and the Thanksgiving holiday, almost 200 Carls headed across the country, across the Atlantic Ocean, or across the room to their computer to begin their externships. [Read more on the Career Center website](#) about how students took advantage of these opportunities and how the Career Center assisted.

Learn more about the [externship program](#) and reach out to externships@carleton.edu if you are interested in participating or hosting in 2024.



Luke Klefstad, program director for experiential learning

Upcoming Events

Convocation: Francis Fukuyama

January 26, 2024

10:50 a.m. CST on campus and online

[Francis Fukuyama](#) has written widely on issues in development and international politics. His 1992 book, *The End of History and the Last Man*, has appeared in over twenty foreign editions. His latest book, *Liberalism and Its Discontents*, was published in May 2022. Fukuyama is the Oliver Nomellini Senior Fellow at Stanford University's Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies (FSI) and a faculty member of FSI's Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law (CDDRL).



[Register for the live stream](#)

Carleton Connects: Professor Anita Chikkatur and solving social problems in Minnesota

February 8, 2024

11 a.m. CST via Zoom

Who better to investigate and solve social problems than the people most affected by them? Join educational studies professor [Anita Chikkatur](#) for a conversation about ways that students, parents, and educators in Faribault, Minnesota and elsewhere have learned about and pushed for change in their own increasingly diverse communities.

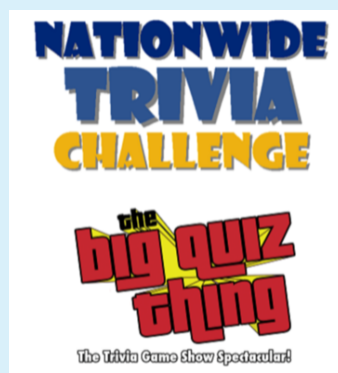


Register for the webinar

25th Annual Nationwide Trivia Challenge

February 10, 2024
3 p.m. CST via Zoom

Join us for our 24th Annual Nationwide Trivia! Our event host this year will again be Noah Tarnow '97. In addition to being a past *Jeopardy!* contestant and a karaoke superstar, Noah is the creator, writer, and senior quizmaster of The Big Quiz Thing.



Learn more and register your team by Sunday, February 4

Supporting Students

The Office of Health Promotion created a website to help parents and families [support students' mental health](#). Whether your student is struggling with a particular mental health concern, or you would like to learn more about the issue of mental health on college campuses in general, there are several resources to explore.

Please note: This website is intended to help parents and faculty provide support to students. If students are seeking direct help with mental health issues, they should visit [Student Health and Counseling \(SHAC\)](#).

Alumni Spotlight

Kao Kalia Yang '03 Publishes Piece in Condé Nast Traveler Celebrating St. Paul's Hmong Village



The piece is titled, "In a World Where There Is No Hmongland, There Is St. Paul's Hmong Village." It is part of a series called Home, Made, "a collection of stories honoring Asian diasporas creating vibrant communities by weaving their heritages with their American hometowns."

[Read the story](#)

Useful Links

- [Parent/Family Gateway](#)
- [Weekly Convocations](#)
- [Campus Calendar](#)
- [2023-2024 Academic Calendar](#)
- [Make a gift to the Parents Fund](#)



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