



## UST Students Attend Ethics Conference at West Point

**T**wo University of St. Thomas students will attend the National Conference on Ethics in America, an annual event hosted by the United States Military Academy at West Point, from Oct. 14-18. Junior philosophy major **Kelsey Boor** and senior business major **Michelle Jabbour** will represent UST at the prestigious conference as the first students from St. Thomas to attend.

Each year, more than 180 students, representing more than 60 academic institutions, participate in the conference. They will stay in cadet barracks and participate in their daily activities, including waking up at 5 a.m. and eating in the dining facilities.

Boor, who wants to teach philosophy, said a liberal arts education encourages students to seek first causes and final ends while asking interesting and important questions.

Jabbour, who has worked as a student assistant with UST's Office of Institutional Advancement for three years, said she would like to be an event coordinator and expects to encounter ethical dilemmas.

The Center for Business Ethics coordinated this initiative and the nominating process.

University President Dr. Robert Ivany, former assistant professor of history and football coach at the Military Academy at West Point, is enthusiastic and supportive of the students' upcoming experience.

"This will be a marvelous opportunity for our students to learn from other students and recognized national speakers about the ethical issues we face on a daily basis," Ivany said. "I look forward to their insights when they return."

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## Get Ready, Already for Safety Week on Campus

Students, faculty and staff can learn emergency preparedness tips, make a hurricane kit and participate in a campus-wide scavenger hunt during Safety Week on Sept. 24-28.



**Sept. 25 - Houston Police Department Speaker**  
12:30-2 p.m. in Scanlan Room, Jerabeck  
Stephen Daniel, senior community liaison officer at the Houston Police Department, will present about surviving an active shooter situation.

### Sept. 26 - Safety Walk and Scavenger Hunt

8-10 p.m. on Crooker Patio

There will be a Safety Walk and Scavenger Hunt around campus to identify potential safety hazards.

### Sept. 27 - Weather Safety Day with Frank Billingsley

12:30-2 p.m. in Scanlan Room, Jerabeck

Frank Billingsley, chief meteorologist for KPRC Local 2, will speak on Houston weather and preparation. In addition, participants will receive supplies to start their own hurricane kits.

### Sept. 28 - Red Cross CPR/AED/First Aid Course

8 a.m.-4 p.m. in Scanlan Room, Jerabeck

This is a chance to be certified in CPR, AED & First Aid by the Red Cross. The certification is valid for two years. Please contact Jessica Domann at 713-942-5036 or domannj@stthom.edu for details. Certification is \$30 per person or free depending on grant funds.

## Every Wednesday is Wonderful with ResLife

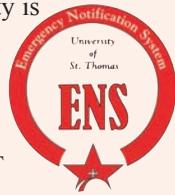
Now for a full day on Wednesdays, the Residence Life Coordinators are charged with making Wonderful Wednesday a Resident Appreciation Day. The coordinators are organizing fun events such as coffee and donuts for the residents and activities with food and socializing in the evenings. Also, the staff will pass out affirmation notes to every resident as they walk past the front desk and give a small gift to every 100th resident who walks by.



“Residence Life is excited to announce a bigger and better Wonderful Wednesday than ever before,” Director of Residence Life and Conference Housing Yolanda Norman said. “Whether it’s Students Working to Acquire Goodies giveaways, popcorn treats or just a fun time celebrating in our Guinan or Young courtyards, our residents know they’re a big deal on campus.”

## Campus Testing for ENS

Because campus safety is very important at UST, the University will conduct a test of the emergency notification system, UST Alerts, on Sept. 25.



### To prepare for the ENS test:

- Visit [www.stthom.edu/ens](http://www.stthom.edu/ens) to update your emergency contact information.
- Add “UST Alert” in your phone contact list with SMS short codes 23177 and 63079.
- Alert family members included in your emergency information that the University is conducting an ENS test.



## Upcoming Games

### Soccer

Games are played at Houston Amateur Sports Park, 12131 Kirby Drive. Adults are \$3 and kids are free.

Men’s Soccer vs. UT – Brownsville  
Sept. 20 at 7 p.m.

Men’s Soccer vs. Our Lady of the Lake  
Sept. 22 at 1 p.m.

Men’s Soccer vs. Northwood University  
Sept. 27 at 3 p.m.

Men’s Soccer vs. LSU Shreveport  
Sept. 29 at 6 p.m.

### Volleyball

Games are played in Jerabeck Gym. Free for UST students, faculty and staff and \$3 for all others.

Women’s Volleyball vs. Langston College  
Sept. 28 at 7 p.m.

Women’s Volleyball vs. Bacone College & Benefiting Samaritan’s Feet  
Sept. 29 at 1 p.m.

# INFORMING UST, ONE LECTURE AT A TIME

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## Bioethics Explores Human Rights

**D**r. Alberto Garcia Gomez, director of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights based in Rome, will address the topic “Neurobioethics: The Human Person at the Center of Neuroscience, Ethics, Law and Society” at 7:30 p.m. on **Sept. 25** in Cullen Hall. Arrive at 7 p.m. for an art exhibit promoting bioethics.



The presentation gives a general overview of the bioethics of neuroscience taking into consideration a realistic vision of human rights. It is free and open to the public. Contact Sr. Madeleine Grace, C.V.I., at [grace@stthom.edu](mailto:grace@stthom.edu) for more information.

## Forum Highlights Female Leaders

**T**he Women in Business Forum, sponsored by the Center for Business Ethics, will feature Beverly Denver, publisher and executive editor of Houston Woman Magazine. Denver will discuss female entrepreneurs in her lecture “The 5 Ws of an Inspired Leader,” from 6:30-8 p.m. on **Sept. 21** at Chelsea Grill, 4621 Montrose Blvd.



Denver is a professional journalist and publishing entrepreneur with more than 30 years of experience in print media. She launched Houston Woman Magazine in March 2004 to “inform, inspire and connect successful women.”

The event is \$15, which includes appetizers at the Chelsea Grill. Students prepay for the event by contacting Michele Simms at [simmsm@stthom.edu](mailto:simmsm@stthom.edu) or 713-942-5918.

## Miller Lecture Discusses Election

**T**he Ninth Annual Archbishop J. Michael Miller Lecture presents “Budget Wars & Culture Wars: What the 2012 Election Means for the American Future.” Ross Douthat, the youngest-ever op-ed columnist for The New York Times, will present at 7:30 p.m. on **Sept. 19** in Jones Hall.

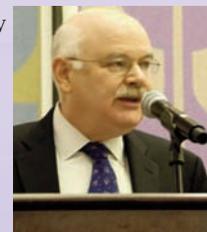


Douthat’s premise is that Americans have never separated religion from politics, but it makes a difference how the two are intertwined.

Sponsored by the UST Catholic Studies program, this lecture is made possible through the generosity of the John W. and Alida M. Considine Foundation. The event is free and open to the public, and no reservations are necessary.

## Fiorenza Lecture Focuses on Vatican II

**D**r. John Borelli, research fellow at the Woodstock Theological Center at Georgetown University, will give the annual Center for Faith and Culture Archbishop Joseph A. Fiorenza Lecture at 7:30 p.m. on **Oct. 3** in Jones Hall.



Borelli’s lecture will be “Understanding and Interpreting Vatican II and the Promotion of Dialogue.”

Borelli serves as national coordinator for interreligious dialogue for the U.S. Jesuit Conference. He also works on several Georgetown projects related to Catholic identity and the university’s Jesuit heritage and teaches courses on dialogue and comparative theology. The event is free and open to the public.

## Events

### Non-profit Job & Volunteer Fair

Students and alumni can learn about full-time, part-time, internship and volunteer opportunities at the fair from 12:30-2 p.m. on **Sept. 18** in the Ahern Room in Crooker Center. For more details contact Career Services at Career.Services@stthom.edu.



### Friends of the Doherty Library

Benjamin Bloom will speak on "Integrating Character Education in Schools," at 2 p.m. on **Sept. 27** in the Doherty Library. He will focus on a program designed to teach social and emotional skills leading to character development.



### Music from West Cork, Ireland

David Syme, an international pianist, will present a program of virtuoso piano music that he plays throughout the Emerald Isle and on his extensive European tours at 7:30 p.m. on **Sept. 20** in Cullen Hall. The program is free and open to the public.



### Schlitterbahn Rec Trip

Enjoy the final days of summer with a trip to Galveston's water park, Schlitterbahn, on **Sept. 22**. The trip is \$20. Sign up in the Office of Recreational Sports in Jerabeck or contact Jessica Domann at 713-942-5036 for details.



### 8th Annual Salsa Contest

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by attending the 8th Annual Salsa Contest on **Sept. 27** on the Crooker Patio. Salsa lessons, a salsa "taste" contest and dinner begin at 6 p.m. The salsa "dance" contest will begin at 7 p.m.



Check us out!



## Braden, Ihnatowicz Celebrate Anniversaries



The Rev. Janusz Ihnatowicz and the Rev. Patrick Braden, CSB, celebrated the anniversaries of their ordination to the priesthood at Mass on Aug. 29 in the Chapel of St. Basil. Father Ihnatowicz celebrated his 50th year of priestly service. Father Braden celebrated his 60th year of ordination.

## Student Earns Houston Business Ethics Award

The Greater Houston Business Ethics Roundtable recognized Master of Business Administration student Jamie Hesterberg as the 2012 emerging leader. Dr. Michele Simms, director of the UST Center for Business Ethics in the Cameron School of Business, nominated Hesterberg for her scholarship and leadership. The GHBEB Bette Stead Scholarship is a \$3,000 award.



"It is very meaningful to me to be recognized for something that is so important to my core beliefs and values," Hesterberg said. "The best thing about accepting the award was the recognition for moral and ethical behavior, not just at UST, but also from the Greater Houston business community."

## Kurzweil's "Let's Talk Teaching" Helps Faculty

The Center for Faculty Excellence and the Title V grant present "Let's Talk Teaching" with Steve Brookins from noon to 3 p.m. on **Sept. 28** at the Tutorial Services Center.

Brookins, of Audio Optical Systems of Austin, Inc., will explain and demonstrate the newly acquired Kurzweil Educational Software, a reading, writing and study skill support software that enables students with diverse learning needs to learn from the same content as their peers. Brookins will also discuss how to accommodate special needs and dual language students.

It is open to UST faculty and RSVP is required. Lunch will be served. Contact Olga Starostina at 713-525-3543 to register.

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