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## STUDENT GOVERNMENT

# SG debates Secure Communities policy

By Eleanor Dearman  
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After entering into its first debate of the school year, the Student Government passed a resolution voicing its opposition to Travis County's Secure Communities policy in a 24-8 vote at a meeting Tuesday.

According to the resolution, which cites the National Conference of State Legislatures, "Secure Communities" is a program implemented to remove unauthorized immigrants who

are convicted of an especially violent crime. The resolution also states 82 percent of the people convicted and deported in Travis County under Secure Communities are nonviolent.

The resolution argues that students who are undocumented or who have undocumented parents are limited on campus because they or their family are at risk for detainment if they make any law violation.

"It kind of scares me — not knowing about it now — because I had my parents

over on Sunday because it was my birthday yesterday," said Jonathan Zapeta, an undeclared freshman whose parents are undocumented. "If I had previously known that them getting a minor infraction could have led to a deportation, I would have told them to just stay away."

At the meeting, representatives from the League of United Latin American Citizens' UT chapter and other students affected by the Secure Community policy

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Graeme Hamilton | Daily Texan Staff

Lizeth Urdiales, finance and Mexican American studies sophomore, speaks Tuesday night about issues with Travis County's Secure Communities policy.

## RESEARCH

# Kids' health benefits from eating more vegetables

By Aimée Santillán  
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A recent UT study found an increase in vegetable consumption in children is enough to prevent diseases and improve health.

The study, contributed to by Jaimie Davis, nutritional sciences assistant professor, was published in the November edition of the Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. It was originally focused on trying to determine whether every vegetable had the same effect on the body, according to Davis. She said the research team discovered that some vegetables have a greater positive effect than others. Five other researchers from the University of Southern California assisted with the study.

"Even a small amount of green and orange vegetables have a great effect in children's health," Davis said. "They can also help in the prevention of diseases."

Davis said many diseases, such as Type 2 diabetes, may be prevented with the consumption of small amounts of leafy vegetables, including spinach, broccoli and lettuce. She also said consumption could reduce liver fat and visceral fat, which is fat in and around the organs that can be toxic to the body.

"We found that not even more than a full serving in an ordinary meal would make a big difference in the children's health," Davis said.

According to Davis, researchers made it a goal to not only send information to policy makers, but also to parents, so they could plan

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## UNIVERSITY

# University, Powers seek continued diversity

By Alex Wilts  
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President William Powers Jr., during his first State of the University Address in 2006, pledged to make diversity his highest priority as president — a commitment that led to the establishment of the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement, also known as the DDCE.

Powers, who will step down from his post as University president in June 2015, said he pushed to launch the DDCE in 2006 to improve the learning experiences of UT students and prepare them to work cross-culturally and in diverse environments once they graduate.

"We're a diverse state," Powers said in an interview Tuesday. "We need diverse leadership."

The Division, which now includes former Longhorn quarterback Vince Young as a member of its staff, aims to ensure a diverse and welcoming learning community for University faculty, staff and students, said Gregory



Amy Zhang | Daily Texan Staff

Former UT quarterback Vince Young is currently the diversity and community engagement officer for program alumni relations in the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement.

Vincent, vice president for diversity and community engagement.

"When we talk about community engagement, it

is really about connecting the resources of the University to the needs of the community, and whether that's our local community here

in Austin, or even at the regional, national and even, in some instances, international level," Vincent said.

DDCE currently supports

several programs on campus aimed at promoting diversity such as the Gender and

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## CAMPUS

# Lecturer discusses neglected, widespread tropical diseases

By Sebastian Vega  
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A resource development coordinator at END7 lectured Tuesday about neglected diseases and solutions available for infected patients.

Emily Conron led the on-campus lecture, hosted by END7, and talked about the basics of the seven most common neglected tropical diseases, as well as a solution to those widespread infections.

"[Neglected tropical diseases] are the world's most common afflictions of the world's poorest people," Conron said. "1.4 billion people are estimated to currently be infected with at least one, if not more



Xintong Guo | Daily Texan Staff

Resource Development Coordinator Emily Conron discusses neglected tropical diseases in the Union Governor's Room on Tuesday evening.

than one, NTD. Another 1.6 billion people live in areas that put them at direct risk for contracting an NTD — that's almost half of the world's

population."

According to the END7 campaign, the seven diseases primarily found

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Radio-television-film junior Sean Rose plays a chain saw-wielding goblin at a haunted house in front of Gregory Gym on Tuesday evening. The haunted house was hosted by Campus Events and Entertainment to celebrate Halloween.

Graeme Hamilton  
Daily Texan Staff

# Haunted house offers on-campus scares

By Josh Willis  
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To celebrate Halloween, Campus Events and Entertainment turned Gregory Plaza into a free haunted house Tuesday, featuring eyeless babies, rolling fog and blood-curdling screams.

Nick Engmann, electrical engineering junior and chair of E+E's Recreation Committee, said students' reactions in the haunted house were priceless.

"We've had a variety of reactions," Engmann said. "Some people are just really tough, so nothing really

phases them, but, embarrassingly enough, we've had a few people say that they've peed their pants."

Business freshman Karishma Adnani was a volunteer in the haunted house and said she picked her

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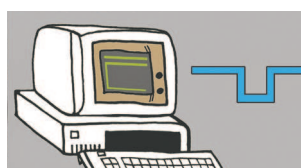
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## CORRECTION

An earlier version of a Tuesday editorial misstated the start date of enforcement of the Secure Communities program in Travis County. It actually began in 2009.

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Conner "Scooter Rocket" McLaughlin skates past the LBJ Library on Tuesday evening.

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voiced their support for the SG resolution.

"It is also good for everyone to understand the issues that face the Latin American community both in terms of their safety and their perceptions of safety," said Christian Umbria Smith, LULAC vice president and a government and sociology senior. Lizeth Urdiales, international relations and global studies sophomore and one of the resolution's authors, said she attends the University through the U.S. government's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, which she said limits her student experience.

"I do not partake in partying or anything else

unless I am a designated driver because if I am caught drinking — despite the fact that I have a Social Security number and a work permit — it can be removed," Urdiales said.

Sergio Cavazos, College of Liberal Arts representative and one of the resolution's authors, said the resolution has been altered drastically since it was first submitted to SG. After discussing grammatical errors in-depth, the assembly voted to open the floor to debate.

The major topic of debate was the wording of a statement that suggested UT students had been deported under the policy, although

there are no records indicating this.

"I haven't been able to find anything regarding the deportation of anyone associated with UT," said Edward Banner, Cockrell School of Engineering representative.

Cavazos said the authors kept the word "deportation" in the resolution because the policy does deport some members of the community and could possibly result in the deportation of UT students.

The assembly changed the wording to "detainment and/or possible deportation."

SG will send the resolution to the Travis County Commissioners Court for consideration.

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Sexuality Center, Services for Students with Disabilities and the Office of Institutional Equity. The DDCE has also partnered with outreach centers in Austin, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio and the Rio Grande Valley to help prepare underserved high school students for college.

Young, who graduated from UT in 2013 with a degree in education, joined the DDCE in August. He said he is responsible for leading fundraising efforts for the DDCE and speaking to children at different schools

throughout Central Texas.

"One of my goals was to be a middle school teacher, but the opportunity came here at UT to come be a part of DDCE and to go out and help promote what we're doing," Young said. "And basically what it's doing is helping a lot of diverse kids understand the plans and programs about how to get to college."

Since Powers created DDCE eight years ago, Vincent said the Division has gone from serving about 300 students in its pre-college programs to about 1,000 students currently. He also said the initiative helped to improve the University's relationship with East Austin, an area known for its high level of low-income households, through after-school programs and the UT Elementary charter school.

Vincent also said thousands of students are engaged in DDCE's volunteer activities each year, including "The Project," one of the largest community-university days of service nationwide.

"We have really expanded the student engagement work, and we're giving students opportunities to have leadership roles both on campus and volunteer opportunities within the community," Vincent said.

Powers said he anticipates the next president will continue to support the DDCE, especially in light of federal district and appeals courts ruling in favor of the University during the Fisher v. UT case.

Abigail Fisher sued the University in 2008 when she was denied acceptance to the University because her grades were not high enough to guarantee her admission under the top-10 percent rule. Her defense argued UT's race-conscious admissions policy violates the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment since minority students were accepted with lower grades than hers.

"What we know — and this is one of the central arguments in the Fisher case — is that diversity in our student body enriches the learning environment for

all students, and having a diverse faculty and a diverse staff helps learning and also helps reflect our mission, because we're supposed to serve the people of Texas, and, of course, our state is one of the most diverse in the nation," Vincent said.

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healthier meals for their children.

"This research could pursue policy makers to push leafy green vegetables in a school's lunch," Davis said.

A statement from the University said the research found eating the right kind of vegetables would not necessarily help children lose weight, but will help children who are most at risk for diseases.

"This research shows that policy makers can make a difference if they roll up their sleeves and help serve even one

healthy vegetable each day to a toddler in child care, a student in the school cafeteria or a family in an isolated neighborhood," said Lauren Dimitry, health and business fitness policy associate with Texans Care for Children, a nonprofit organization that works on children's issues.

Dimitry said she thinks the research could help change the way people view nutrition.

"Most of all, I think this research illustrates that increasing nutrition is important and achievable," Dimitry said.

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in the southern hemisphere are whipworm, hookworm, roundworm, trachoma, river blindness, elephantiasis and snail fever.

"NTDs are really hidden diseases," Conron said. "They're out of sight. [However], NTDs have been around, basically, as long as humans have been around."

Infected people experience more long-term effects, as opposed to death, according to Conron.

"NTDs are disabling and disfiguring diseases," Conron said. "They cause everything from swollen abdomens and limbs, to rashes that cover your entire body that can be quite painful and debilitating, to causing your eyelashes to go in on themselves and scratch your cornea until you go blind."

According to Conron, cures to these diseases have already been found and are applicable.

"Four pills treat and protect people from seven NTDs, and they can actually be administered at the same time," Conron said. "They're safe. They're so safe that we administer them to entire communities. [Instead of testing everyone], we give

everyone in the communities [the] drugs once and sometimes twice a year in what we call mass drug administration."

Money can be donated to the END7 campaign on its website to distribute the packaged pills, according to Conron.

Jesse Cortes, business and sociology senior, said he did not realize he could make a change so easily.

"It strikes [me] that there are these diseases [and cures]," Cortes said. "People should definitely have access to treatments to live normal and happy lives. Often times, you think that there are lots of issues out in the world, but this one is actually solvable."

Jacob Jordan, chemistry junior and vice president of communication and marketing for END7 at UT, said awareness is the key to eliminating NTDs.

"One of the biggest things that makes an impact with [these diseases] is the public pressure," Jordan said. "If more people knew about all of these diseases, like they know about cancer, or AIDS and malaria, then that public pressure to fund this type of thing would be there."



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## EDITORIAL

# With changes to polling locations comes greater need for early voting

Three important polling places were available to students on Election Day in 2012 that will not be available for this year's election. On that day, a cumulative 1,890 residents voted in the student-dense precincts 313, 277 and 274. It is vital that students familiarize themselves with the new voting structure to know where they can and cannot vote Nov. 4.

Since the 2012 presidential election, the voting process has changed in Travis County. Previously, a select few polling stations were open for early voting where anyone could vote. Many more opened on Election Day, but voters were restricted to voting in their designated precinct. In the past 18 months, the county has switched to a "vote center" model. In this model, a few polling stations were consolidated, but more stations are available through early voting to Election Day, and on Election Day citizens can vote at any vote center convenient to them. According to Travis County Clerk Dana DeBeauvoir, this model allows the county to keep open polling places located at retail and grocery destinations that are more convenient for voters.

What this means for students living in West Campus, however, is that the polling stations previously located at the North Lamar Senior Activity Center, the First English Lutheran Church and the University Co-op have been consolidated with neighboring precinct vote centers and will not be available come Nov. 4. The closest vote centers for Election Day are the Flawn Academic

Center on campus, Austin Community College's Rio Grande campus at 12th and Rio Grande streets and Baker Center on 38th Street. DeBeauvoir said the combined centers will have more individual voting booths to accommodate the additional voters. While there were other consolidations throughout the county, these three are clustered in the UT community, and we think the consolidations disproportionately affect the student population.

In light of this change, we urge Longhorns to overcome the negative habit ubiquitous among the student population: procrastination. Come Election Day, the most convenient polling place for students living in West Campus will be the FAC. While two of the three combined precincts have accommodations made at other vote centers, familiarity and convenience will undoubtedly draw most students to the campus vote center. Since residents are no longer restricted to their designated precinct, this particular polling location will become overrun with students who waited until the last minute. While the lines may not be as long as they were in 2012, a presidential election year, long lines would significantly deter voting.

The solution is simple: Avoid the lines and vote early, at the FAC between classes or at the center of your choice. We applaud the flexibility of this new voting model, but it is vital that students are familiar with their options and take advantage of early voting while it is available.

## COLUMN

# In elections, Democrats exaggerate their ability to deliver on promises

By Clay Olsen  
Senior Columnist

Election Day is right around the corner, but the result of the governor's race already seems to be known. A Rasmussen poll has Abbott winning by 11 points and CBS News and the New York Times predicts an even larger spread of 14. The Huffington Post reports that the probability that Abbott will win next week is 95.6 percent. With this comfortable a lead, I think it can be fairly assumed that Attorney General Greg Abbott will be the next governor of Texas. Now, I am not writing this article to gloat about poll numbers and bash Democrats, entirely. I simply want to point out predictions and realities of politics in Texas and in the country briefly.

A little over a year ago, Wendy Davis acquired the spotlight in Texas politics. She filibustered a bill brought to the floor that would place certain standards on facilities providing abortions and make abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy illegal. Democrats saw the praise she was receiving from their supporters and decided that Davis could be the one to take the governor's office as Perry exited. To follow this dream, a political action committee known as "Battleground Texas," created to take up the mantle of Texas Democratic politics, embraced Davis as its cause célèbre. The goal of this organization was straightforward: "Turn Texas Blue." At stake: 38 electoral votes and thus, a secure Democratic presidential dynasty. Millions of dollars were funneled into Texas Democratic campaigns across the state in order to facilitate a political revolution.

Nevertheless, Davis maintained incredible support from Democrats and created the most excitement. Now it appears that she will lose by double-digit points. I listened to hype about Davis last year, and I now see the results and I wonder what the feeling is among Democrats now. These types of situations are not new to the party. Democratic politicians and strategists can talk the talk and get their constituents fired up, but all too often, they fail to walk the walk.

I will never forget an example of this that I recognized during my freshman year at UT. At the end of my UGS class one day, my professor ended his lecture early to talk about an

"important" current event. He spoke of a new movement that was rising in the country. This organized movement, he predicted, would end political corruption and raise taxes on the rich, ending income inequality. He did not tell the class the name of the protest movement but told us to be prepared for a revolutionary change.

It was later discovered in a discussion session for the class that the movement was called "Occupy Wall Street." In retrospect, the professor's words are laughable to say the least. Occupy Wall Street gained recognition for their talk about the 99 percent versus the 1 percent, but it quickly went downhill from there. Some Occupy "camps" were reported to have issues with drugs, rape and assault. What started as a movement that would radically change politics, turned out to be the biggest joke of the decade.

It seems that liberal rhetoric is always outlandish and hyped as the key to a utopian society. When Barack Obama was running for president in 2008, some people said he would be the one to end political corruption, turn around the economy, lower the government's spending, generate peace around the world and have the most transparent administration. Again, as time has passed, we are able to see the correlation between these predictions and what actually occurred. Regardless of how you grade his presidency, I think we can easily say it has greatly fallen short of what it was predicted to be.

I understand that promising much more than you will deliver is unfortunately the nature of politics. However, I feel that Democrats tend to inflate this trend. Is this a good strategy? How does it affect their constituents? Perhaps the complete strategy is to fill the void of deliverables with more grandiose promises. With respect to the governor's race poll numbers, Democrats may not be too upset with the results. You can't take Texas overnight. It will be a long and difficult process. Considering the poor execution of Davis' campaign, a double-digit loss might be encouraging as the Democrats look toward the future. On the same note, Republicans should not be without concern. Every election is a battle, and contentment is a party's worst enemy.

*Olsen is a finance senior from Argyle.*

## COLUMN

# Despite dismal approval rating, Obama can leave lasting legacy



Charlie Pearce | Daily Texan File Photo

President Barack Obama delivers his keynote address at the Civil Rights Summit in April.



By Dolph Briscoe IV  
Daily Texan Columnist

During this current election season, Republican candidates repeatedly have tied their Democratic opponents to President Barack Obama, in an effort to make political gain. Greg Abbott, the Republican nominee for Texas governor, has blanketed the state's television airwaves with a commercial attacking his Democratic counterpart Wendy Davis and her proposals as "just like Obama." Abbott's ad even pictures a desk labeled "Governor Barack Obama, Texas." Similar advertisements are running in other states across the country, especially in more conservative states.

While Obama holds about a 42 percent approval rating, which is low and makes him fodder for campaign attacks, does this mean his presidency has been unsuccessful? Quite the contrary, I would argue. The Obama years have been among the most important in recent political history. Historians cannot fully evaluate a president's record until years after he (or soon maybe she) leaves office, executive papers become available, and time provides context. Obama has more than two years left in office, and a lot — both good and bad — can happen. However, I believe that so far, this president has scored many remarkable achievements that will benefit his historical legacy.

The election of Obama as our nation's first African-American president is immensely consequential in and of itself. Obama's triumph speaks volumes about the United States' quest to overcome the most troubling aspect of its history — the legacy of slavery, racism and segregation. It marks a proud and moving moment for the country. Obama also handily won re-election in 2012, putting him in that group of presidents elected to two terms.

Upon his inauguration in 2009, Obama inherited a myriad of dire situations at home and abroad. Few presidents had entered office under more bleak circumstances. The United States faced its most serious economic crisis since the Great Depression, as the nation's financial institutions, housing market and automobile companies appeared on the brink of collapse. The unemployment rate soared above 10 percent by October 2009 and the stock market went into freefall. The Obama administration worked to secure the financial solvency of the country's big banks, General Motors and Chrysler, and won passage in Congress of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Although derided by conservatives as wasteful, the Recovery Act infused the economy with money in the form of government-sponsored work projects and unemployment relief. Furthermore, in 2010 Obama signed a detailed financial reform bill into law, legislation meant to guard against similar economic meltdowns in the future. Economic progress from the "Great Recession" has been



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slow, but steady. Unemployment recently fell to 5.9 percent, the lowest since the downturn.

Internationally, Obama confronted a world weary of the bellicose foreign policy pursued by his predecessor, George W. Bush. Obama's early opposition to the Iraq War propelled him to the Democratic nomination and presidency. He helped end this war in 2011 and is winding down the Afghanistan War by the end of this year, much to the approval of a war-weary American public. Obama approved the operation that led to the death of Osama bin Laden in May 2011, and his policies have destroyed much of al Qaeda's effectiveness. Certainly the current situation in Iraq is precarious, as ISIS threatens to overtake that country. The Obama administration has assembled an international coalition against ISIS and begun a heavy bombing campaign aimed at helping Iraqis and their allies defeat the terrorist group. While some on the left remain wary of our involvement and others on the right criticize the president for not doing enough in the conflict, Obama wisely has followed a cautious course, recognizing the necessity of confronting ISIS but being careful not to become too involved in another quagmire in the Middle East.

Obama has pursued policies that will have long-lasting effects on the country, the most notable being the passage of the Affordable Care Act. While Obamacare, as it is commonly called, remains controversial, it is nonetheless a historic achievement. Presidents for decades unsuccessfully attempted to push legislation through Congress that would ensure healthcare for more Americans. The Supreme Court's upholding of the law and Obama's reelection guarantee that the Affordable Care Act is here to stay. Obama has furthered the cause of gay rights, from ensuring federal prosecution of hate crimes, to repealing the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, to becoming the first president to support same sex marriage. Obama's environmental regulations have been marked by a dedication to combat climate change. Obama has made stellar appointments to his cabinet and to the judiciary, most notably with Sonia Sotomayor, the first Latina on the Supreme Court, who along with Elena Kagan, will bring strong progressive voices to the bench for decades.

Certainly, Obama has made mistakes and challenges remain. The White House has promoted its accomplishments poorly and allowed critics to have the louder voice, most notably with Obamacare, and has failed in its promise to be transparent to the public. Drone strikes, the NSA surveillance and the continued operation of Guantánamo Bay Prison in Cuba have disappointed civil libertarians. The president's failure to punish Syria after crossing a so-called "red line" made him appear weak on the international stage. Obama and his party are partly responsible for the gridlock tormenting Washington, although Republicans share equal, if not more, blame. Indeed, he has encountered unrelenting opposition from Republican politicians who from day one planned to make him a "one-term president" and pundits on talk radio and Fox News who daily have excoriated him in vicious ways.

Obama faces many concerns in the final two years of his presidency, namely immigration reform, economic growth, fiscal policy and turmoil in Iraq. His ability to meet such challenges will go a long way in determining his overall legacy, something all presidents consider as their terms wind down. Obama's past accomplishments suggest that Republicans like Abbott disregard his political capabilities at their own peril. Sometime in the future, when we look back on his presidency through the wide lens of history, being called "just like Obama" may be a compliment for which candidates strive.

*Briscoe is a history graduate student from Carrizo Springs.*

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CAMPUS

# Lecturer reviews border, women violence

By **Nidia Cavazos**  
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A UT graduate student, at a lecture Tuesday at the LBJ School of Public Affairs, discussed violence against women along the Central America and Mexico border. Yalli Rodriguez, a doctoral student in the Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, has concentrated her research on immigration issues with particular attention to Central American women. Her work was done with a focus on Tapachula, Mexico, a city that receives immigrants from Central America. According to Rodriguez, women who reach the Mexican border are often raped, forced into sex labor and subject to discrimination from Mexican citizens. The incentive of economic security in Mexico, however, is a strong motive for them to endure such daily hardships. She said these women are more susceptible to this violence because of their level of security, perception of human rights and problems with law enforcement. Rodriguez said she spent seven months in Tapachula, where she collected a number of stories from immigrants and conducted interviews



At the LBJ School of Public Affairs on Tuesday evening, Yalli Rodriguez, Latin American studies doctoral student, discusses the struggles of migrant women along the Mexico and Central America border.

**Amy Zhang**  
Daily Texan Staff

with institutional figures. During the lecture Tuesday, she shared experiences from her trip, including how she was able to build relationships with the immigrants and encourage them to share their stories. “The best way for them to trust you is to be completely honest, and you have to spend time with them before they can begin to tell you their life stories,” Rodriguez said. According to Rodriguez, one of her main objectives in conducting research with Central American migrants was to familiarize herself with how immigrant women perceive issues of security and human rights. She also said that not many women in Tapachula know the concept

of human rights exists, even though some are working for immigration institutions. “When what is supposed to be universal definitions, such as human rights, are often unknown amongst these women, a problem is created,” Rodriguez said. In order to increase the familiarity of such concepts with the immigrant women, according to Rodriguez, it is important to familiarize the social workers first. “It’s not just the work of the women to know about their rights but also those who are working with them,” Rodriguez said. Prisca Gayles, Latin American studies doctoral student, said she would like to learn more about

children in similar situations. “I was really interested from the moment she said some women have been there for 10-20 years, but I started thinking about the peculiarities of children who are also affected by this situation,” Gayles said. Rebecca Jackson, Latin American studies graduate student, said, although this is a problem in Central America, it is something that relates to the United States. “In the U.S., we’re used to talking about immigration — but only at our own border — and we don’t realize that a lot of the population that makes it to the U.S. have had this really long trip of being marginalized from country to country,” Jackson said.

**HOUSE**  
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own costume. “I’m a creepy nun, and I’m in the baby room, so I stand with this really creepy baby that has eyeballs in its head, and I just scare people,” Adnani said. “I ask them to help my baby, and I throw the baby in their face.” Theatre studies sophomore Dakota Salazar said some costumes had to be improvised. “Tonight, I am a skeletal,

jester thing because it was a child’s costume, and I fit in it,” Salazar said. “I will be doing the scratching on the claustrophobia part of the haunted house. At the end, when they are emerging from it, I jump out and they get scared and I chase after them.” Salazar said the energy surrounding the event helps both the actors and the participants enjoy the experience. “Whenever you do things like this, whenever you perform or act, you feed off of everybody else’s energy,”

Salazar said. “If the energy is low, then your performance is low. But, in something like a haunted house, when everybody is amped up and everybody is all excited to go through, it’s just a burst of energy and fun.” After coming out of the haunted house, journalism junior Zara Mirza said the effects and the actors were very realistic. “The guy with the chain saw — I thought he was actually going to kill me,” Mirza said.

Engmann said on-campus events that take place during the school week, such as the haunted house, are important for students. “I feel like, especially now in the school year where a lot of midterms are happening, a lot of stress is being built in,” Engmann said. “It’s good to have these fun activities, not just as a stress relief, but also for memories. You want to think back to the fun times you had on campus — not just the stressful tests that you had.”

## NEWS BRIEFLY

### University ranks 30th on global university rankings

In its first ever global university ranking released Wednesday, U.S. News and World Report recognized UT as the 30th-best university in the world. The publication previously listed the University as No. 53 in its 2015 national rankings. According to U.S. News, the global rankings are based on different criteria from the national list, including schools’ academic research and overall reputation — not their separate undergraduate or graduate programs.

For its global rankings, the publication used measures such as faculty publications, academic citations and highly cited papers by drawing on information from Thomson Reuters, an organization that tracks research productivity. The overall rankings include 500 universities in 49 countries. For 2014-2015, the Times Higher Education World rankings ranked UT 28th in the world.

—Alex Wilts

### Second infected health care worker cured of Ebola

Amber Vinson, one of two Dallas nurses infected with Ebola, is free of the virus, according to Bruce Ribner, a doctor at Emory University Hospital.

Vinson was originally diagnosed with Ebola at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas about two weeks ago. Vinson was one of the nurses caring for Thomas Duncan, the first person in the U.S. to be diagnosed with the virus. Health officials transferred Vinson to Emory University Hospital in Atlanta for treatment and released her from the hospital Tuesday afternoon.

At a press conference Tuesday, Ribner said Vinson has completely recovered from the virus.

“We have determined that Ms. Vinson has recovered from her infection with Ebola virus and that she can return to her family, to the community and to her life without any concern about transmitting this virus to another individual,” Ribner said. Vinson is one of two Dallas nurses who was diagnosed with Ebola after caring for Duncan. The other nurse,

Nina Pham, was also declared Ebola-free last Friday. Ribner said he was not sure why Vinson and Pham recovered relatively quickly from the virus. David Lakey, commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, released a statement Tuesday confirming that Vinson was cleared of the virus. “We are so pleased that [Vinson] has been declared free of Ebola,” the statement said. “Through excellent health care and her own courage, she beat the disease. Based on the clinical and lab findings, people are not at risk of getting the disease from her, and she has been completely cleared. We wish her the best as she transitions back to a normal life, and we welcome her back home to Texas.”

Before being diagnosed with the virus, Vinson boarded Frontier Airlines flight 1143 from Cleveland to Dallas. On Oct. 17, the University announced a UT student was also onboard the flight and will not return to campus until Monday.

—Natalie Sullivan

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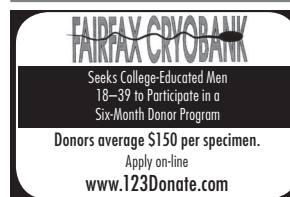
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FOOTBALL

# Studdard enjoys life after football

By **Evan Berkowitz**  
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A crawfish-boiling, sports-talking, hunting Longhorn. That's how 2006 National Championship offensive guard Kasey Studdard now describes himself. "I'm happy where I'm at," Studdard said. "I'm doing the things I like to do."

But he never thought about what he was going to do after football. It was all football, all the time, growing up.

When Studdard came to Austin, he was the fifth in his family to put on the Longhorn jersey. His grandfather was the first. His uncles donned the burnt orange as well, in addition to his dad before 10 years with the Broncos.

While at Texas, Studdard helped anchor an offensive line that paved the way for the highly ranked rushing team during his sophomore and junior years. In his senior year, he was a captain and first team All-Big 12.

After four years of protecting Vince Young and Colt McCoy, Studdard followed his father's footsteps to the NFL. He was

drafted in the sixth round of the 2007 draft by the Texans. But, after five seasons, he was cut.

"It's a business," Studdard said. "I knew I still had something left, but I really didn't want to deal with knowing if I was going to play again or not. I learned I wasn't as good as I thought I was."

In 2013, his football career came to an end and his post-football life began. So what does Studdard do now?

He hunts, fishes, talks sports and cooks crawfish — all in Austin.

He has his own fishing show on the Longhorn Network: "Hook, Line & Studdard." The show has aired for one season, with a new season coming soon.

He's also guiding corporate hunts.

"I'm getting that going," Studdard said. "I enjoy being out there in the wild. It's peaceful out there. Sometimes I'm in the helicopter shooting pigs or offshore bringing in a 100-pound tuna."

As for his crawfish business, he is just getting it off the ground.

"I love eating and cooking crawfish," Studdard said.

Studdard Crawfish doesn't have a location yet, but that didn't keep former Texas head coach Mack Brown from trying it.

"Kasey Studdard is starting a crawfish business. Everyone needs to go eat his food when he gets it up & going. The man can cook," Brown tweeted back in May after going to one of Studdard's crawfish boils.

But, most importantly to Studdard, his new life involves a family. Six months ago, he got married to a fellow Longhorn.

"I couldn't marry outside the Longhorn family," Studdard said. "That was [a] must in my book."

Studdard doesn't want to coach, instead focusing on spending time with his family. However, he did get the chance to be around Texas' practices before the season started.

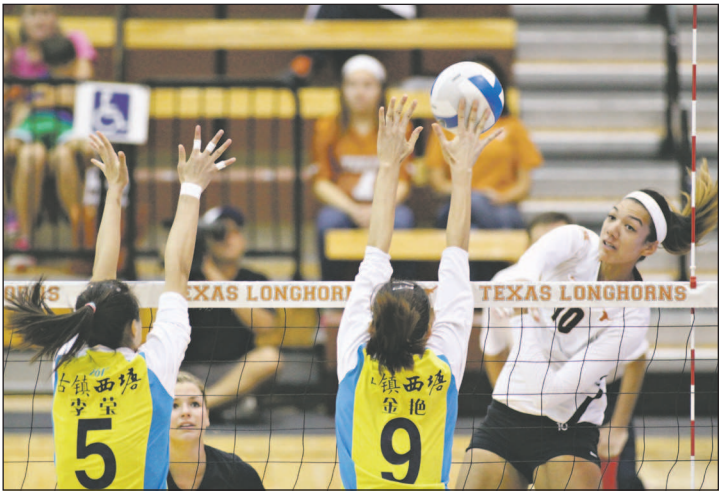
"I don't know if they're old enough to remember how good he was," head coach Charlie Strong said. "Kasey comes out some days. When you have an alum, a player who was so good, for him to just talk about how important a team is and how it was when he was here in those old days."



**Joe Buglewicz** | Daily Texan file photo  
Former offensive guard Kasey Studdard now hosts his own show on Longhorn Network and owns a crawfish catering business.

VOLLEYBALL | TEXAS 3, ZHEJIANG 2

Senior outside hitter Haley Eckerman battles against Zhejiang, a Chinese club team. Eckerman and the Longhorns outlasted their opponent through five sets to win their second straight match.



**Rachel Zein**  
Daily Texan Staff

## Horns survive five-set thriller

By **Jacob Martella**  
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The fifth set between Texas and Chinese club team Zhejiang was all about survival.

The two sides, almost deadlocked through the four prior sets, still couldn't get themselves enough breathing room in the deciding set. Even with three match points, the Longhorns struggled to put away their guests.

But in the span of a couple of seconds, senior outside hitter Haley Eckerman won the match for Texas in a win that felt more like an NCAA Tournament match than an exhibition match.

"You don't get many opportunities to recreate the urgency and the ability to execute and make some big plays," head coach Jerritt Elliott said.

The first set saw a bit of a

role reversal from Monday night's match, with Zhejiang jumping out to a quick 10-4 lead and never looking back en route to a 25-20 set win. Texas only managed to hit .048 in the set with 11 attack errors.

"We thought that [Zhejiang] would play better, and we told the team that," Elliott said. "They controlled the ball better. They're a good volleyball team."

Zhejiang took a 12-8 lead in the second set, but Texas then went on a 5-0 run anchored by Eckerman at the serving line. After Zhejiang tied the set at 14, the Longhorns closed out the set on an 11-4 run.

In the start of the third set, neither team was able to grab more than a 2-point lead, but Zhejiang went on a quick 5-1 run to take a 19-15 lead and eventually won the set 25-21.

Needing to force a fifth set,

the Longhorns managed to take a 13-8 lead in the fourth and were eventually able to pull off a 25-19 set win.

The fifth set was another tight, back-and-forth affair. The Longhorns took a 13-10 lead but allowed Zhejiang to tie the set four more times before finally winning 18-16.

Eckerman, who was out of Monday night's game because of a violation of team rules, said that the 3-0 loss to Oklahoma on Saturday helped the team win against Zhejiang.

"The loss to Oklahoma left a bad taste in our mouths," Eckerman said. "We just need this to know that no matter what lineup is out there, we were going to compete."

Texas resumes conference play with a trip to Ames, Iowa, to play Iowa State on Sunday.

FOOTBALL

## Longhorns still fighting for bowl game

By **Stefan Scrafield**  
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With a 3-5 record heading into November, the football team's performance thus far has been described in many ways.

Some players say they are disappointed, others find it frustrating, and most have said the poor record is surprising. But the coaching staff considers it unacceptable and below standard.

At this point, the best Texas can do is get to eight wins, and that would mean beating Texas Tech and Oklahoma State in hostile road environments, knocking off No. 22 West Virginia and No. 10 TCU at home and winning a bowl game.

Given how the Longhorns have played this season, that scenario seems unlikely. But it is the last part — the opportunity to win a bowl

game — that continues to motivate head coach Charlie Strong and his team.

"It's all about the seniors," Strong said. "We've got to get them to a bowl game."

Although a losing record through two-thirds of the season would squash any post-season aspirations for some sports, college football's bowl system is more forgiving.

Despite the historically bad start, Texas will gain bowl eligibility if it can finish the season with six wins. Winning three of the last four to get there will be a tall task.

"There's four games left, we can go out there and win them all," senior linebacker Jordan Hicks said. "There's no doubt in my mind we have the potential to go out and win every single game we line up."

The first step in getting back to .500 will come in Lubbock this weekend, as Texas travels to take on Texas

Tech — a team reeling after an embarrassing 82-27 loss to TCU on Saturday.

As evidenced by last week's score, Tech's defense has been one of the worst units in the country but the offense is nothing shameful.

Led by sophomore quarterback Davis Webb, whose status is still up in the air for this weekend, Tech's passing offense ranks eighth nationally, averaging 332 yards per game.

"We have to go out there with a lot of respect for them," Hicks said. "If we take them lightly, they'll come out, and they'll attack us, and they can score some points. We've got to be ready for them."

With a matching 3-5 record, the Red Raiders are easily the weakest team left on the Longhorns' schedule, so a loss at Jones AT&T Stadium would essentially squash any chance Texas has of playing after Thanksgiving.

HOCKEY

## Sophomore stands out on Texas club hockey

By **Jason Epstein**  
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As Texas hockey headed into overtime, tied 6-6 with Texas State University, sophomore Spencer Delman skated the puck out of Texas' zone, dodged a defender and, approaching the face-off dot, shot the puck. To Delman's surprise, the puck blurred past the goalie's shoulder, pushing Texas past the Bobcats.

Delman has become the top Texas player in both goals and assists because of plays like this.

"Spencer provides a lot of scoring power on offense and helps out on the back check," junior teammate Greg Doll said.

Before moving to Texas for college, Delman began his 16-year hockey career in the north. He learned to figure skate at age 3 and began playing recreational hockey at age 6.

"I played travel starting at age 7 or 8," Delman said.

Delman continued his travels for hockey throughout elementary and middle school, eventually joining the Northbrook Hockey League Bluehawks, a nationally ranked high school team. On the Bluehawks, Delman played forward and scored his way to a starting position his junior and senior years, serving as captain senior year and making the All-Illinois High School Association team on the highest level.

"Hockey was a thing my dad did his whole life, and it was something he was very passionate about, so it was always prevalent in the house," Delman said. "It was definitely not forced upon me, but it sparked my interest, and he was happy that I was happy about it."

Delman, a computer science student, applied to Texas and hoped to continue playing

Multimedia

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hockey once he moved.

"My only parameter for anywhere was that hockey existed," Delman said. "It did not matter in what capacity."

While the sport isn't as popular in Texas, he still watches hockey games regularly, specifically his favorite team — the Detroit Red Wings.

"Spencer, coming from the north, plays with a different style," coach Aubrey Berkowitz said. "He's scrappy, a high-energy player, and a lot of people have a hard time keeping up with him."

Delman's short, 5-foot-6-inch stature plays a significant factor in how he competes, so he models his techniques after the Chicago Blackhawks' Jonathan Toews and the Detroit Red Wings' Pavel Datsyuk.

"They're known as people who see the ice well," Delman said "They're both incredibly hardworking, and both make a lot of smart plays."

Depending on the personnel on the ice and the situation in the game, Delman plays center and forward on the ice interchangeably. But off the ice, Delman's character prevails, according to junior Chet Danto, assistant captain and president of the team.

"He's a very intelligent person and always has a fun fact no matter the subject of the conversation," Danto said.

Delman has clear hopes for his future in hockey.

"I just want to be able to play as long as I can," Delman said. "I do not expect it to be my source of income. I just want to be able to keep skating."



**Amy Zhang** | Daily Texan Staff  
Sophomore Spencer Delman has emerged as the star of the Texas club hockey team, becoming the top player in both scoring goals and racking up assists.

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

**Former Longhorn files lawsuit against NCAA**  
Former Texas football player Julius Whittier has filed a \$50 million class action lawsuit against the NCAA, according to KEYE-TV.

Whittier, the first African-American player in school history, was diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's disease in 2012. He claims the repeated head trauma he sustained during his playing career caused his health issues.

According to KEYE-TV, Whittier's lawsuit against the NCAA "includes all former NCAA football players who played from 1960-2014 who did not go on to play professional football and who have been diagnosed with a latent brain injury or disease."

Whittier played for Texas from 1969-1972 as an offensive lineman and tight end. His lawsuit states the NCAA breached its duty to protect players "in the face of long-standing and overwhelming evidence regarding the need to do so."

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6 Bellini opera

11 Night light, perhaps

14 Shoptalk

15 Weest of wee hours

16 Mint

17 Film about a Communist invasion? (1996)

19 Enthusiast

20 Casanova

21 Ties down

23 Moroccan headwear

25 Line on a baseball

26 Film about the woman most likely to catch men's attention? (2001)

33 Computer mode

34 It's usually between 3 and 5

35 Logic game with matchsticks

36 Battery containing a liquid electrolyte

39 The statue "David" on open-air display in Florence, e.g.

42 Well-suited

43 Take a gander at

45 Captain and others

46 Film about an elegantly made crossword? (2009)

51 Collaborator with Disney on the film "Destiny"

52 Add-on charge

53 First family of Germany, 1969-74

56 Licit

62 Brit's washroom

63 Film about a romantic dentist's daily routine? (2010)

65 Israeli gun

66 "Delphine" author Madame de

67 Fray

68 Lo-

69 Absorbent cloth

70 4 x 400-meter relay, e.g.

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1 Genie's home

2 Kind of vaccine

3 Site of a famed mausoleum

4 Guileful

5 Poke holes in

6 "Hold on a sec"

7 \_ lark

8 Geom. shape

9 Confirm

10 Brewery named after a Dutch river

11 Like a bass voice or a hairy chest

12 " \_ not!"

13 Dominates, informally

18 Vegetarian's protein source

22 Son of Noah

24 Elan

26 Beth preceder

27 Actress with the iconic line "What a dump!"

28 Old trade inits.

29 Mime

30 Away's partner

31 Shaving boobies

32 Holiday associated with 44-Downs, in brief

33 Whack

37 Get off the ground?

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40 Old hand

41 Easygoing

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# Local events keep Austin scary

By Marisa Charpentier  
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Austin offers a variety of ways for city-dwellers to dive into the Halloween spirit this week, giving the UT community the opportunity to add a little comedy, roller skating and live music to its Halloween schedule. Here is The Daily Texan's list of the spookiest ways to spend the week of All Hallow's Eve.

## THURSDAY 5th Annual Comedy Seance Spider House Ballroom

Spider House Ballroom is bringing humor to the spooky season. Local comedian Norman Wilkerson started the comedy show, which features stand-up and theatrics, five years ago. This year's theme, as always, is Satan and his Cavalcade of Celebrity Corpses. The cast, made up of local comedians, all play dead celebrities returning to the earthly realm for a night with Satan.

"They put a fun twist on modern day commentary, talk about hell and general funny stuff," said Eva Mueller, general manager of the Ballroom. "They are 100 percent in costume and character the entire time."

According to Mueller, the show has become a traditional Halloween Eve event in Austin and has gained a loyal fan following. The show partnered with Spider House last year and performed to a sold-out crowd. John Merriman, of Moontower Comedy Festival, called the show "Austin's favorite Halloween-themed comedy show."

Tickets can be purchased

at the door for \$10 or online for \$7.

## FRIDAY Costume Contest Austin Roller Rink

For the second year in a row, Austin Roller Rink will hold a Halloween costume contest. Songs such as "Monster Mash" will serenade decked-out skaters as they weave between other ghoulishly dressed participants. Manager Earlita Hellums said the event is open to all ages.

"We see a mix of teens and adults," Hellums said. "They skate around in costumes, and we'll have a photo booth."

Attendees will have the chance to vote on the best costume of the night, and the winner will receive \$50. The event costs \$12 to attend, and skates are available for rental.

Since Hellums and her husband opened the rink over six years ago, they have seen skaters who range from beginners to speed skaters and roller derby participants. The Halloween competition, however, has nothing to do with how well competitors skate. According to Hellums, originality and detail are key components in winning the competition.

"Last year, the Katy Perry costume won," Hellums said. "She really did herself up and looked a lot like her."

## 6th Annual Zombie Ball Masquerade The Moody Theater

For a more modern musical experience, Austinites can head over to The Moody Theater for the 6th Annual Zombie Ball



Illustration by Hannah Hadidi | Daily Texan Staff

Masquerade featuring Neon Trees and T Bird and The Breaks. The theater will be decked out with a red carpet and supernatural décor and will also include entertainment such as a burlesque show and an aerial acrobatic routine. A more costly option, this event ranges from \$35-\$65.

## SATURDAY Pumpkin Patch Barton Hill Farms

People can cap off their Halloween weekend experience with a trip outside the city. About 40 minutes away, Barton Hill Farms provides outdoor entertainment, such as live country music, a pumpkin patch, farm

animals and a corn maze. The theme for this year's maze is "Go Horns" and is designed to look like a giant longhorn. Local vendors also sell everything from pumpkin pie and kettle corn to veggie burgers and brisket sliders.

City residents looking for a break from the traffic and noise can find solace among

the hills and 100-year-old cottonwood trees. Couples, friends and families can take photos in the picturesque setting or in the pumpkin patch. The farm is also located by the Colorado River, and guests can kayak for \$10 per person. General admission to the farm is \$10 online and \$11 at the gate.

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## ALUMNI

# Alumna achieves aspirations through broadcast journalism

By Paige Atkinson  
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Taylor Ellison used to take everyone she met out for coffee. She decided on a changing her career from politics to television, and networking was her greatest tool at the time. After months of meeting people, she learned about the CW Austin Star role.

In 2012, Ellison, a UT alumna, auditioned for KXAN's CW Austin Star competition. After a five-month audition process, she was chosen for the role of lifestyle reporter. This was the turning point for Ellison, as she started her career in television.

She refers to her experience as a crash course in broadcasting. Members of the CW team taught her to shoot, edit and produce. In a matter of months, Ellison was reporting from red carpets.

"I wanted to learn everything, and they wanted to teach me," Ellison said. "I was like a sponge."

Ellison had a segment every day on the CW about Austin culture, in addition to reporting on festivals and special events in Austin.

"It was a manifestation of what I used to say I wanted," Ellison said.

At Texas, Ellison started out studying journalism but quickly switched her major to communication studies so she could focus on political communication. She was involved in Student Government, where she found a passion for public speaking.

After graduation, she enrolled in the Teach for America program, which sent her to work in Washington, D.C., to teach eighth



Photo courtesy of Lauren Gerson

After graduating from UT in 2009, Taylor Ellison worked as a teacher in Washington, D.C., before moving back to Austin to begin a career in broadcast journalism.

graders at an advanced public school. Ellison said she valued her experience teaching, but, when the two-year program ended, she was ready for the next step.

Ellison decided the logical next step in her career was to attend graduate school. She returned to Austin and enrolled in the UT LBJ School of Public Affairs. Despite this conventional next step, Ellison began to question her career path.

"As I was applying and going through the motions, I knew inside I had these secret interests inside to try and get into TV," Ellison said. "More specifically, talk to people for a living."

Ellison went through a year of graduate school coursework before — with just over one semester left — she formally withdrew from graduate school to pursue her dream of working in broadcast television.

"We have one life," Ellison said. "If we are not living this one, what are we doing? This isn't a dress rehearsal, girlfriend."

Natalia Egan, brand manager for KXAN-TV, worked

closely with Ellison during her time as the CW Star. Egan said Ellison's love for Austin and hard-working nature made her stand out.

"Taylor made an impact the minute she stepped into the entertainment scene," Egan said. "Taylor has always had an innate ability to really connect to the people around her and her audience. Not only is Taylor striking, but [she is] one of the hardest working people I've had the pleasure of working with."

Her CW role ended last summer, but Ellison is still pursuing television. She currently freelances and hosts events in Austin.

"I want to try and cultivate conversations of substance and meaning and be a force for good through shared conversations," Ellison said.

Ellison hopes to develop a platform to showcase Austin culture. For now, she spends her time developing this idea through interviews on her YouTube channel and appearances at events in town.

"It's all possible, you just have to believe it's possible," Ellison said.



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People always say, "there's no place like home;" however, that is no excuse to take society's word for it.

We repeatedly limit our traveling expectations, and resort to the idea of making time for it later. We make excuses about time, money or opportunity, but never just set sail and get away.

As cliché as it may be, there is no time like the present to explore what the unknown has to of-

fer. As college students, you have endless opportunities at your fingertips. There are several school programs, study abroad advisors and research outlets to take advantage of to plan your perfect escape.

People commonly regret not travelling more when they were younger. Here is your chance to stop the trend and lower statistics. Whether your exploration calling is for education, career opportunity, phi-

lanthropy, tourism, fun or curiosity, make sure it doesn't sit on your growing bucket list.

This issue, Longhorn Life even lends a helping hand and suggests ways to eliminate your traveling pet peeves. We offer the most efficient packing tips to make your flight process a smooth one. We ease those financial concerns and give you insight on how to travel on a budget. We even list a few of our top places to visit

around the globe and how to dress to the nines while you're getting there.

Next time you talk yourself out of that long-awaited adventure, don't be so hesitant to reconsider. Book that flight that's sitting in the back of your mind, explore and make memories. You won't regret it.

*Gayle Bustamante*  
Special Editions Editor

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## TEXAS UNION THEATRE

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11/12	Memento @ 9 p.m.
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11/20	Guardians of the Galaxy @ 6 & 9 p.m.
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11/03	1914: The Perfect Season, Museum Exhibit, Stark Center, NEZ 5.700
11/07	Geography Colloquium: Characterizing Human Mobility from Mobile Phone Usage, 4 p.m., CLA 0.128
11/12	Art of Living "Stressbuster" - Breathing & Meditation Sessions 6 p.m., BEN 1.124

## OFF-CAMPUS EVENTS

11/07-09	Fun Fun Fun Fest, all day, Auditorium Shores
11/10&17	Bikin' Betties Social Ride, Mondays @ 8 p.m., join Bikin' Betties Facebook group for ride details
11/16	Austin Cactus & Succulent Society Monthly Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Austin Area Garden Center, 2220 Barton Springs Road

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11/03	UTeach-Liberal Arts Info Session, 2 p.m., GEB 1.308
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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
						11/1 Bone Thugs N Harmony 7 p.m. @ The Mohawk
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11/9 Jimmy Webb 7 p.m. @ One World Theater	11/10 Anthony Da Costa 9 p.m. @ The Mohawk	11/11 Cher 7:30 p.m. @ Frank Erwin Center	11/12 Tedeschi Trucks Band 8 p.m. @ ACL Live	11/13 Austin Classical Guitar Society: Anna Likhacheva 8 p.m. @ Cactus Cafe	11/14 She Sir 9 p.m. @ The Mohawk	11/15 Method Man & Redman 8 p.m. @ Emo's
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# Austin native gives hope to Indian women

Gayle Bustamante  
Editor

Approximately a year after starting his organization, the Kuros! founder reflects on his journey that motivated him to start a company that gives Indian women a fighting chance against sexual assault.

At 21 years old, Tawil completed his undergraduate degree at Texas State University and felt lost about his next challenge. “I know it’s cliché, but I was confused about life and wanted to find myself,” Tawil said. The former communication studies major said he needed complete isolation from everything and everyone and decided to backpack across Pakistan.

“I bought a one-way ticket and had no intention of coming back for a while,” said Tawil. In January of 2013, the recent graduate set off and found more than he bargained for. “I had to go somewhere where I didn’t know anything. They say you have to lose yourself to find yourself, and I needed to be so far out of my comfort zone,” said Tawil.

After leaving Pakistan on foot, missing buses and traveling on a train for 30 hours, Tawil found himself and discovered his purpose. Approximately a month and a half into his trip, he was on a bus with migrant workers headed to Nepal, where he heard a striking story about a particular rape victim.

“There was a culmination of events that led to my decision to start Kuros!, but this was the turning point. People always say something will just hit you, and I never believed in that, but when you go out of your normal routine, it hits you,” said Tawil. “It’s an indescribable feeling, but you know without a doubt what you need to do.”

Tawil admitted he was aware of the sexual assault stories and statistics in these countries, but witnessing the regularity of these instances was unsettling. “The justice system in these countries is ineffective. These women cannot count on the police, their families disown them or their rapists kill them,” said Tawil. “At that point, you might as well fight back and defend yourself.”

Tawil felt these women needed a physical weapon to protect themselves and thought of arming them with pepper spray. Less than two weeks later, Tawil was on a plane back to Austin to start Kuros!. He educated himself on the business aspects of starting a company, contacted a small, Indian non-governmental organization (NGO) for women’s rights, formed a relationship with a manufacturer in Nepal and set his company in motion.

Tawil came across handmade wallets while in Nepal, which sparked a marketing concept for his company. “I don’t know much about fashion, but I saw these purses and thought if I put a better zipper on them, put a tag and made them a little nicer, I could sell these,” said Tawil.

He decided for each purse sold, he would match its purchase by providing a can of pepper spray to one woman in India. Tawil had a startup budget of \$5,000 and further developed partnerships with a Nepal manufacturer and Indian NGOs, who assured him his vision would work.

“I knew I didn’t want to start a nonprofit. I wanted a sustainable company without the limitation of donations,” Tawil said. He also didn’t want a specific product to define his company either. “When people think of Kuros!, I want them to think of the cause not the product.”

“Every product sold represents one woman. You can



Photos courtesy of Kuros!



physically hold this and know there is a woman out there who can protect herself because of you,” said Tawil.

Kuros!’s product process also travels full circle. Men in Nepal hand make each purse Kuros! sells. Tawil explained that this decision was a way to decrease their opportunity to attack women. “The solution to the problem overall is education, but we want to arm women and keep attackers off the street” said Tawil.

Tawil dropped his first shipment of pepper spray cans eight months and ten flights after his return to Austin. “There were a lot of obstacles. We have to keep the drops small, train women how to use it, people want to levy taxes on the shipments and manufacturing deals fall through,” said Tawil. However, he never felt this venture was too overwhelming; he was on a mission.

“After my trip, I have no doubt that I can do anything. This is going to work. And it has,” said Tawil. It has been nearly a year since the initial shipment to India and the company has seen marked improvements in the villages that have received pepper spray. “Women are a lot more confident. We’re giving them hope and allowing them to rely on themselves.”

The most significant results Kuros! has seen include accounts where girls’ families allowed them to return to school because they can defend themselves. At least one woman has used the pepper spray to escape an attacker. Furthermore, many think the men in these villages are more hesitant to attack because they’re aware of the possibility that a woman might be armed.

The young entrepreneur has plans to vastly expand Kuros! even further. He decided to return to school and audit Gautami Shah’s Hindi class here at The University



Every product sold represents one woman. You can physically hold this and know there is a woman out there who can protect herself because of you.

- Kuro Tawil

of Texas at Austin. “I wanted to learn the language and knew public universities allow you to audit classes and the experience has been so positive,” said Tawil. “It is very rare to have a professor be so involved with the concept of learning. There are only two other professors I had in college that sit on that level.” In addition, Tawil recently finalized distribution channels in two other continents and is in the process of partnering with one of the world’s largest manufacturing pepper spray companies to create a specialized Kuros! line. Tawil is also in the works of selling Kuros! purses in Austin boutiques.

Despite his admirable accomplishments, Tawil credits his parents for his successes as he looks toward the future. “Some people say, ‘It’s such a huge accomplishment – what you’ve done,’ but I think people reflect too much on what they’ve done,” said Tawil. “Don’t ever dwell on your accomplishments, make more.”

When asked who “Kuro Tawil” is now, Tawil still can’t explain it. “I know what makes me happy and I know what I need to do,” said Tawil.

“People are always looking for happiness in everything but rarely look into themselves. I didn’t have to go around the world to sleep on a riverbank to find myself; it’s internal, it was always inside myself.”

“I cannot express the feeling, but everything inside you knows what you need to do. We always say we want to do something but rarely go through with it,” said Tawil. “Hunter S. Thomas said it best, ‘Buy the ticket, take the ride.’”

To support Kuros!, visit kuros.org, like them on Facebook.com/kurosprojects and follow @kurosproject on Instagram.

## Packing tips to avoid flight woes

Nancy Huang  
Staff Writer

Whether you’re a travel veteran or a beginner, packing for your destination is the most important preparatory process of your trip. Airlines in the U.S. charge ridiculous prices for extra baggage, so the general rule of thumb on a short vacation is to have one heavy check-in suitcase and a small carry-on. Here are a few tips to make packing for your next vacation a tad bit easier.

### 1. Pick an industrial-sized suitcase

Make sure the wheels work. Dragging along a suitcase with broken wheels slows you down at the airport and it’s (generally) a constant hassle. However, make sure that your suitcase fits flight check-in regulations. Different airline companies have different requirements, so check ahead of time and plan accordingly.

### 2. Organize your clothes

You can’t bring your entire wardrobe, so start by separating clothes into piles: Will Definitely Take, Will Probably Not Take, Will Take But Probably Will Not Wear. Convince yourself to toss out a few outfits to conserve space. If you need to, stuff a few jackets into your carry-on luggage. There’s no weight requirement for carry-on, so cram as much in as needed.

### 3. Heavier clothes first

Packing denim fold-up jeans? They go in first. Puffy jackets? Line the bottom of your suitcase with them. Heavier clothes on the bottom, and lighter clothes on top will conserve more space in your suitcase.

### 4. Fold, then roll

Fold all of your clothes into neat squares. Then roll them into tight little logs. Line up all the logs in your suitcase, with as little space as possible between each of them. Logs are a more effective method of packing than flat folding, and it saves space, so you can take more clothes! Plus, this way, your clothes won’t wrinkle.

### 5. Technology sandwich

If you’re bringing your laptop or tablet, make sure to

## Fold, then roll



pack it under and above a few layers of clothes-logs.

Putting your laptop on the very bottom or very top of your suitcase risks getting it damaged during the rough handling process of check-in and baggage claim. Make sure your computer has plenty of soft padding in case your suitcase is tossed around.

### 6. Toiletries in their own compartment

Deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste containers, floss and razors fit nicely together in a standard Ziploc sandwich bag. Stuff this inside of one of your suitcase’s outer pockets.

### 7. Shoes

Shoes are a tricky process. If your shoes are the flat type—flip flops, sandals, platforms—then wrap each pair in its own plastic bag and try fitting it inside of your suitcase. If your shoes are not flat—sneakers, heels, wedges—wrap each in their own plastic bag and try fitting it on the biggest outside pocket of your suitcase. Doing this with non-flat shoes prevents creating a bulge in your suitcase, which could damage your belongings during check-in.

### 8. Carry-on

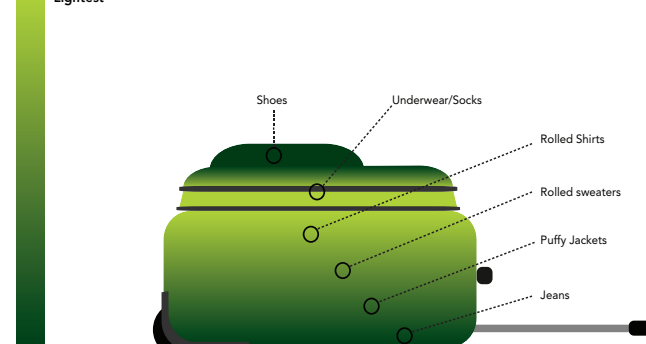
Carry-on luggage is easier to pack. Think of everything you would ever need on an airplane—lotion, blankets, sleep masks, ear plugs. Some airlines already offer these as complimentary gifts for the flight, but bring your own pair just in case they don’t. Be sure to stuff an extra jacket or cardigan into your carry-on, too, because it gets chilly on planes.

### 9. Label your luggage.

Navigating the luggage carousels is a long, potentially annoying process. Make sure to tape a bright piece of paper or a noticeable scarf to the handle of your suitcase so you’ll be able to locate it easily through the chaos of the luggage carousels. All you need is some kind of label for you to easily identify your baggage. It shouldn’t get in the way. This way, if the airline loses your luggage, it’ll be easier to locate with a distinguishable tracker.

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## Heavier clothes first





## FEATURE



# Artists to catch at Fun Fun Fun Fest

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## City and Colour

City and Colour is the acoustic solo project of Dallas Green, formerly singer and guitarist of Canadian post-hardcore band Alexisonfire. The name of the project is a play on his name: Dallas, a city, and Green, a color. His first album "Sometimes" features songs written when Green was only 16 years old. "The Hurry and the Harm," his latest work, was released in June of 2013 and peaked at number one on Canada's charts and number 16 in the U.S. The group makes for a relaxed hour set in the middle

of an otherwise chaotic weekend of punk and rap music.

## Sky Ferreira

Sky Ferreira has networked in the music industry since she was 15 and played music since she was nine. The now 22-year-old singer/songwriter has an EP and a full-length album under her belt with another full-length album on the way.

Her music pulls from 80s and 90s pop artists for a unique, alternative synth-pop sound in an industry dominated by electronic and pop music. Most recently, Ferreira opened for Miley Cyrus on the U.S. leg of her world tour. Although Ferreira may

have somewhat of a pop appearance, don't let that deter you from seeing this dark princess. She's still a part of the underground world of FFF.

## Dum Dum Girls

Dum Dum Girls is

the project of Dee Dee Penny, the vocalist also known as Kristen Welch. The group's music reflects the 60s lo-fi pop sounds of an earlier generation.

The band has released several albums since

2011, including the most recent "Too True" in January. If you can't make it to their Nov. 9 set at the festival, they will also play a FFF after show, free to wristband holders, at The Mohawk on Nov. 8.

## Foxygen

Classic-rock inspired psych-pop band Foxygen have been making the rounds since being named one of Fuse TV's must-see artists of SXSW 2013. This band fits in perfectly with Fun Fun Fun Fest's underground, experimental vibes.

Foxygen is sure to deliver an entertaining set, as the band is known for their "unhinged" performances and Sam France,

lead vocalist, for his crazy antics. Listeners of Ty Segall and Kurt Vile will surely enjoy this set.

## Wildcat! Wildcat!

Although Wildcat! Wildcat! is one of those bands in the fine print so small you have to squint just to be sure they're even listed, they are worth seeing. These Los Angeles natives made a name for themselves this year, performing at Lollapalooza, releasing their first full-length album this August, and embarking on their first U.S. headlining tour. Their sound is indie electro-pop with feel-good vibes. If you like M83, be sure to check out Wildcat! Wildcat!



# Traveling trendy: Take to the skies in style

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Although airports are a common environment to see young women in over-sized college sweatshirts paired with leggings and young men in oversized t-shirts and baggy sweatpants, one should still maintain a level of sophistication while traveling.

The days of travelling in an ex-boyfriend's sweatpants or tacky, touristy Hawaiian shirts are gone. Airport runways are the newest form of fashion runways. Travellers are opting for more chic, stylish clothing that still provides comfort.

Airports can be stiflingly warm, while airplanes

can be unsettlingly chilly. Layering articulate pieces of clothing helps maintain comfortable body temperature while jetting off. Layering is simply putting on easily removable pieces of clothing to maximize comfort and accessibility when going through frenzied airport security mediums.

An ideal travelling outfit is a simple one—a pair of sleek, yet easily removable shoes, such as suede ankle boots or leather loafers, are ideal. Moving up from the feet, avoid the often worn sweatpants or basketball shorts.

Opt for dark-colored, skinny-fit pants. A basic, slim-fitting pant made

of materials, such as corduroy and denim are advised for the chillier months, while breathable shorts of cotton or twill are advised in warmer weather.

Designers have accepted the idea that tight-fitting pants are not the most comfortable, and have stylized them with slim-fitting, dark-colored sweatpants, that, when paired with a basic V-neck shirt and well-structured blazer, add an "off-duty," yet chic approach to traveling in style.

Simple graphic t-shirts and solid-colored, lightweight tops are also highly sought after when traveling, due to their

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simplicity and sheer comfort. Layer the t-shirt with an easily removable sweater, cardigan or blazer.

Women and men can opt for chunky, knit cardigans and comfortable blazers — a juxtaposition of classic comfort with an effortless vibe — to stay warm during chilly flights, in lieu of a sweatshirt or hoodie. Additional note: choose comfortable, breathable fabrics that do not

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To prevent chills from airplanes and to further tie together the outfit, add a scarf and a few delicate pieces of jewelry. Although it is often maligned or forgotten about, the basic, sleek watch serves as a quintessential accessory when traveling. Keep in mind: airport security often requires you to remove accessories

during screenings.

Celebrities often wear all-black or monochromatic outfits to look immensely trendy and chic while traveling, using different textural components to create eye-catching outfits from pieces straight off the runways. However, this year's guide for staying trendy while traveling is to wear outfits that are simple and practical with room to experiment and express oneself.



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## Q&A with Professor Dennis Darling

Words of wisdom from a well-seasoned study abroad advisor, educator

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Staff Writer

I sat down with Professor Dennis Darling to talk about his Photography Maymester in Prague and why he thinks it's important for students to travel.

**Longhorn Life:** How long have you been teaching this Maymester abroad? How did it get started?

**Dennis Darling:** It started almost nine years ago as a summer session. Maymester became possible and it's actually about \$2500 cheaper and only nine days shorter than a full semester abroad.

It's like a free class because it's in the summer. You can take 15 hours in the spring and get an extra three hours without charge. You don't have to pay fees or anything.

**LL:** What inspired you to choose Prague as the location and 'Documentary Storytelling' as the course topic?

**DD:** It chose me—it spoke

to me...the year before, I was in Brazil. And Brazil is not really conducive to picture making. The economy is not nearly as robust as Europe and it's not nearly as safe.

Prague—you can go out pretty much anytime day or night. Pizza costs about as much as it does here and that kind of thing. If you've never been to Europe before, that's the perfect starter city. The subways are easy. People speak English. There are all kinds of pluses there.

**LL:** What are the top three benefits of experiencing a Maymester in Prague?

**DD:** If you're going to be a journalist, it really makes sense if you're not going to be in Austin. Most of journalism is done in foreign countries. Photojournalism, especially, is almost always in Europe or South America.

The second thing is, just to learn how other cultures are. Probably a third

of the people that go to Prague haven't been to Europe before. Going back to journalism, you have to know how the rest of the world lives and studying abroad is good for that.

The third thing: you become much more self-sufficient. You have to reach for things. "What does that food have in it, before I eat it?" You know? It challenges. Even stepping off the curb, the cars are coming in the different direction. You have to be right there in the moment thinking about what you're doing. Not to mention, you learn to appreciate things like air-conditioning.

**LL:** What's the most exciting or spontaneous experience you've had with students abroad?

**DD:** I think going out to Terezin, the Nazi concentration camp. By chance, there was an extra seat with another college group going out there.



Photo by Jasmine Barnes

The next year, I had our provider get a bus, but also a Holocaust survivor came along with the students and me.

**LL:** If you were going to give one reason why students should go on this Maymester, what would it be? What would be your

selling point?

**DD:** Prague gives you a really good sense of European history and architecture without the hassle and expense of some of the bigger cities like London and Paris. It's probably a third to a half less expensive to do everything.

It's a perfect place to start and it's centrally located. [During Maymester,] we get two to three weekends off to travel so you can be in Berlin, Venice and Salzburg in a few hours. In five hours you can be in some of the biggest cities in Europe.

## Five things I learned while studying abroad

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Studying abroad expands students' horizons in countless ways. Being fully submerged in a culture entirely outside your own can be a life-changing experience. Here's what two Longhorns learned from their travels abroad.



**Sharwin Khot**  
*Biomedical Engineering*  
*Studied in Cambridge, England*  
*2014 Maymester*

1. Stephen Hawking is a cool guy (I met him).
2. The passion for football (soccer) is incredible.
3. Food is a lot more expensive in Europe.
4. There is so much history in

England alone!

5. Clotted cream comes first on your scone. Then jam.



**Tess Hellebrekers**  
*Biomedical Engineering*  
*Studied in Delft, Netherlands*  
*2013 Maymester*

1. It's all about the people.
2. Travelling is more than just physically moving to another location.
3. Go outside of your comfort zone.
4. Get lost.

5. Plans don't work out, and that is okay.





Photos by Jenna Million

**In Review** • Twenty One Pilots headlined Stubb's on Oct. 18. The show was an explosive performance of drum solos, heartfelt sing-a-longs, high jumps, smoke and lights. From the first note to the last drum solo, the band devoted all of their energy and passion into making the show an evening to remember. To see Jenna's full photo set and read her review from the show, visit [longhornlife-online.com](http://longhornlife-online.com).

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