

UPDATE ON SARASOTA-MANATEE OSU ALUMNI CLUB SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS

Dustin Kestranek

Update, October 16, 2007:

Dustin has begun his senior year this fall and is expected to graduate from the Fisher College of Business. He is continuing to focus on completing a double specialization in both Logistics and Marketing. Dustin forwent a break from his collegiate career and remained enrolled full-time during the summer, but he was still able to occasionally enjoy The Ohio State golf courses. During Buckeye home games this fall, he can usually be found before kickoff at Irene and Larry Hedden's tailgate when they are in Columbus representing the OSU Sarasota-Manatee Alumni Club. Dustin hopes that as his graduation date draws near that he is not stricken with an ailment that has plagued many graduating seniors, senioritis, and is able to maintain his 3.87 GPA until June.

Alex Chung

Update, October 23, 2007

I've settled into freshmen college life and am living in Park Hall. The first few weeks were tough because Park doesn't have any a/c. We had the windows open all the time and prayed for some cool breezes. I lucked out and got a good roommate. We are both engineering majors - he's mechanical and I'm civil. Football's been great. Everyone's talking about next year already. We think we'll be strong next year too because there are a lot of juniors on the team.

Best regards,
Alex Chung

David Fultz

Update, October 8, 2007

This year has started off with a bang. I am taking 4 classes, so I am feverishly reading books and writing papers! The professors and staff have been very kind! They have all made me feel welcomed and a part of the OSU family. Dr. Hoy, Dr. Marks, and Dr. Allen have all been wonderful. I am working with my faculty advisor, Dr. Belinda Gimbert, on research to help rural and high needs schools to be staffed with highly qualified teachers. I came to THE Ohio State University looking for knowledge and enlightenment, and I have not been disappointed! GO BUCKS!!!!

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Rob Hunt

Update: Summer 2007

Rob received his Master of Architecture degree from the Knowlton School of Architecture at Ohio State during Spring Quarter commencement on June 10. This was the culmination of six years of study at The Ohio State University. During his final quarter Rob was recognized as winner of the top-rated final project among the twenty-two second-year graduate students in the program. During his second year of graduate study and immediately following graduation Rob worked at a local architecture firm in Columbus. To follow his dream of working for a progressive firm in an extremely dynamic architecture market, Rob recently relocated to Southern California and accepted a position with Kovac Architects Inc. Kocac Architects Inc. is a Los Angeles based residential and commercial architecture firm specializing in creating elegant modern designs uniquely suited to the client's program and site. Rob is extremely grateful for his education at Ohio State and how well it has prepared him for his career and he extends his sincere appreciation to the Sarasota-Manatee OSU Alumni Club for their scholarship support.

Rich Hunt

Update: Summer 2007

Rich has completed his Junior year at Ohio State, majoring in Psychology and has added a second major of Mathematics in support of his aspiration to become a high school teacher and coach. During the summer he is working at the RPAC facility on campus and is also employed by a professor in editing and documenting a new mathematics textbook. During the past school year Rich was a volunteer assistant basketball coach at Gahanna Jefferson Middle School in central Ohio which provided a way to give back to the community as well as was a great learning experience. Also, for the second year in a row, he spent a week of Christmas break with a team of OSU students assisting in the continued hurricane disaster relief efforts in New Orleans. Starting this coming Autumn quarter Rich has been awarded a math Teaching Assistant position at the university, which will provide additional experience for the future, along with providing some financial support. Rich conveys his heartfelt gratitude to the Sarasota-Manatee OSU Alumni Club for their generous scholarship support.