Fall is in Full Swing! Here's What’s New at WGU:

It’s October, fall is here, and you’re getting your Halloween costume ready. (Maybe you’re planning to go as a Night Owl?) With the weather getting colder and the nights getting longer, there’s no better time to nestle in your cozy study corner, fire up TaskStream and your Course of Study, and dive into your school work.

We hope this second issue of The Night Owl newsletter will inspire you to hit the e-books and will give you some good tips and advice to make major progress this month.

Show Your Pride: ‘I’m A Night Owl’ Blog Badges and Facebook Cover Photos

Are you a proud WGU Night Owl? Check out these new images that help you put your school spirit on display on your personal website, blog, or Facebook page.

Get your Night Owl badge »

TIME Magazine Talks About WGU’s Industry-Driven Programs

In a new article this month, TIME asks, “Can an online degree really help you get a job?” It highlights the WGU model of industry experts helping define program competencies to ensure your degree is valuable to employers.

Read the TIME article »

Just for Fun: WGU Students Share Their Superpower Wish List

Knowledge is power. You might even call it a superpower. We asked WGU's Facebook fans what superpowers Sage the Night Owl would have as a comic book superhero.

Check out Sage's superpowers »

Improving Your Productivity with ... Baby Animals?

It’s okay—you can click on that link promising a baby panda sneezing or a baby monkey riding on a pig. A new study suggests looking at cute baby animals may help improve productivity.

Take a quick baby animal break »
Going to College with Kids at Home

Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa—whatever they call you, kids can make going back to school a little tougher. Students share some great advice for balancing kid time with study time.

Words of wisdom for students with kids »

Tips and Tricks: Pre-Assessment Coaching Reports

WGU student Jennifer says: "Print up your pre-assessment coaching reports. Use those to focus on what you need to do within your COS. It will show you the areas you need to work on. Also, the community blogs are so helpful! Many communities have help documents for tasks that will help you pass the task the first time, or clarify cloudy directions. Helps every time!"

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Father of Two Teenagers Sets Example as a Student

Floridian Chris Dann is about to celebrate a major milestone: graduating with his IT bachelor’s degree, thanks to WGU. It’s already helped him earn a promotion at work!

Meet Chris »

More News and Events

More News Stories

- American RadioWorks: "A School of Clicks, Not Bricks" (radio) »
- President Mendenhall in Huffington Post: "What Is Competency-Based Education?" »

Student Success Events

This is just a sampling of the dozens of upcoming webinar opportunities available for WGU students. Be sure to view the full calendar of webinars.

- Monday, October 29, 4:00 p.m. MST - Online APA Sources
- Tuesday, October 30, 1:00 p.m. MST - Avoid Originality Reports: How to Paraphrase
- Wednesday, October 31, 8:00 a.m. MST - Stephen King's Writer's Toolbox, Part 2
- Wednesday, October 31, Goal Setting: The Foundation (Part 1 of 2)

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