RSU Announces New Master’s Degree in Community Counseling

Rogers State University is enrolling its first cohort in its second master’s degree for the upcoming fall 2021 semester. The Master of Science in Community Counseling received final accreditation approval earlier this month. The program is designed to provide students with the education necessary to become professional counselors. It was developed to combat rising mental health issues at local, state and national levels.

RSU Student Selected to Participate in Undergrad Research on Dauphin Island

Rogers State University student Shelby Blair is the first Biology and Environmental Conservation major to be accepted to the National Science Foundation’s Research Experiences for Undergraduates program. The Wagoner native will spend 10 weeks this summer in Dauphin Island, Alabama. Blair will conduct research in a sea lab on Brittle Stars, marine invertebrates with five forked and spiny arms that regenerate. Brittle stars occupy many marine habitats, often at great depths. Her main goal on Dauphin Island is to learn how to conduct proper research and receive hands on experience.

RSU Men’s Soccer Claims GAC Regular Season Championship

The No. 8 Rogers State men’s soccer team claimed the 2020-21 Great American Conference Regular Season Championship on Saturday at Soldier Field. The Hillcats earned a 1-1 draw after double overtime against Fort Hays State Tigers to secure a point and clinch the first regular season title in school history for the Hillcat men’s soccer program. The win echoes excitement from the 2019 GAC Tournament where the Hillcats claimed the championship game over the Tigers.
**Pryor High School Innovation Center at RSU Slated to Open This Fall**

The Pryor High School Innovation Center will be housed at the Pryor Campus of RSU in the MidAmerica Industrial Park. It will be home to the Pryor High School Esports program and Tech Lab. Classes held at the Innovation Center will include manufacturing, engineering and robotics. Beginning their junior year, students at Pryor High School will be able to join an accelerated pathway toward earning a college degree through this new partnership. Students will earn high school and college credit at the same time potentially earning up to an entire year of college course work before high school graduation.

**Cade Russell Honored as Newman Civic Fellow**

Rogers State University student Cade Russell is a recipient of the 2021-2022 Campus Compact Newman Civic Fellowship. Campus Compact is a Boston-based non-profit organization working to advance the public purposes of higher education. At RSU, Russell has been actively involved in several campaigns, including the Rock the Vote campaign, which encouraged college-aged students to register to vote prior to the 2020 election. He is also the co-founder for Hillcats Helping Out, a resource drive that collects toiletries and amenities for individuals at Memory Care in Claremore. Russell is a public affairs junior from Pryor. He serves as the class president of the President’s Leadership Class.