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## Graduate School of Health & Human Services E-Newsletter - Feb 2023

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### **Alumna leads Interpreter Services for Allina Health**



When Ifrah Mohamed B'16 moved to the United States from Somalia 14 years ago, she barely knew English. Any time she went to the doctor, she needed help from an interpreter. Today, Mohamed is the manager of Language Services for Allina Health, where she coordinates interpreter services for thousands of patients who are in the same situation she was in back in 2008. [Read more.](#)

### **Faculty recognized through publications, awards**

At Saint Mary's, we know our staff, faculty, and administration are experts who excel in their fields of study and work. Recently, that expertise and talent has been shared with the public, as a number of faculty members have had their work published in academic journals or have received awards for their work.

Roesler published in Public Health Reports

Gauderman provides expert advice in MoneyGeek.com articles

Rosenthal published in The Journal of Sex and Marital Therapy

Kotz receives award for recent book

[Read more.](#)

## Early start benefits student on way to medical career



Homecoming week — and all the activities that come with it — are a major highlight for any high school student, especially for seniors. When Matthew Schell was a senior at Lewiston-Altura High School, he missed most of the homecoming fanfare as he was studying for college midterms at Saint Mary's University instead.

Looking back, the Altura, Minn., native says he doesn't regret it. The experience helped prepare and propel him toward a successful undergraduate experience. And, it helped him get into a competitive cancer research program at South Dakota State University.

Schell was dual enrolled at Saint Mary's as part of Minnesota's Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) program. The PSEO program allows motivated high school juniors and seniors the chance to earn college credit while completing high school graduation requirements. [Read more.](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>FEB.</b>  | <b>Cardinal Athletics Celebrates Title IX Week</b>              |
| <b>20-23</b> | Winona Campus<br>See event page for list of events              |
| <b>FEB.</b>  | <b>A Novel Idea - Alumni &amp; Friends Book Club Discussion</b> |
| <b>23</b>    | <i>Current Book - The Seed Keeper by Diane Wilson</i>           |

6 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom

**MAR.**  
**11**  
**Cardinal Excellence Fund Dinner**  
Visions Event Center, Winona, Minn.  
6 p.m. - Social  
7 p.m. - Dinner and Program

**MAR.**  
**14-16**  
**Virtual Mock Interviews**  
Morning - 9 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Afternoon - 1-4 p.m.  
Evening - 5-8 p.m.

**MAR.**  
**17**  
**In-Person Mock Interviews**  
Toner Student Center, Winona Campus  
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**MAR.**  
**17**  
**Theatre Reception and Production**  
Winona Campus  
Reception - 5:30 to 7 p.m.  
Production - 7 p.m.

**APR.**  
**15-16**  
**All-Alumni Music Weekend**  
Choir Performance - April 15 at 7:30 p.m.  
Chapel of St. Mary of the Angels, Winona, Minn.  
Jazz Ensemble and Concert Band Performance - April 16 at 3 p.m.  
Page Theatre, Winona Campus  
Reception to follow band performance - April 16  
Toner Student Center, Winona Campus

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