



JUMPSTART 2012

“The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you.”

-B.B. King

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Exploring Washington D.C.!

By Darian Burwell, Director



This week, our students had a wonderful time exploring more of what Washington, DC had to offer. They spent time touring museums and monuments—which all had free admission! Our students couldn’t get past the fact that there were no fees to enjoy some of Washington D.C.’s most interesting and historical places.

We are pleased to see the progress in our students’ college transition. This week’s progress included receiving course schedules and assigned roommates for the fall. Our instructors keep telling us that this is a great group of students. Many are ready to declare their major, although we tell them to take it step by step by first taking courses related to your major before declaring a major. Many changes are in store for JumpStart students, but they are all for the better. See you next week!

Sincerely,

Darian Burwell

(Week 3)

Week of August 6 – 10, 2012									
<i>*Subject to change</i>									
Time/Date	Sun 8/05	Mon 8/06	Tues 8/07	Wed 8/08	Thurs 8/09	Fri 8/10	Sat 8/11		
8:00 AM		<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>			
9:00 AM				PHA	Free Time	Academic Advisor Appointment w/advisor			
10:00 AM		English/ASL	Math/ASL	English/ASL	Math/ASL				
11:00 AM		<i>Lunch w/ your PC</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>			
12:00 PM		Interactive Hour	Math/ASL	Interactive Hour	Math/ASL	Service Learning Fundraising Day			
1:00 PM		English/ASL	TIP: Feedback P.	English/ASL	TIP: Notetaking	Car Wash			
2:00 PM		Free Time	Dance	Free Time	Free Time				
3:00 PM									
4:00 PM									
5:00 PM	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner/Meet Fall RAs</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>			
6:00 PM	<i>English Lab</i>	<i>Math Lab</i>	<i>English Lab</i>	<i>Math Lab</i>					
7:00 PM		Seminar	Improv	NOMA Festival "Deep Impact"	BISONLYMPICS				
8:00 PM		BISONLYMPICS	BISONLYMPICS	Pulse Hour	Dorm Activities	Mars & Venus Night Out			
9:00 PM		Dorm Activities	Dorm Activities	Pulse Hour	Pulse Hour	ASL FILM "Wrong Game"			

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Jamie Utzman
Academic Success
Home: Texas
Hobbies: Reading

Why did you choose to come to Gallaudet University?

I want to major in International Studies, and Gallaudet offers a really good International Studies program.

What has been your favorite part of JumpStart so far? What are you looking forward to?

My favorite was Blind Volleyball and Wallyball. I'm looking forward to learning more about Washington DC and Gallaudet so I know where to go if I ever need something.

Name a unique fact about yourself:

My older brother and I are separated in age by less than a year.

Peer Counselor Seminar



Peer Counselors Courtney Huru and Kristy Ramos discuss common myths about alcohol.

Each week, two peer counselors host a seminar about college-related issues. This week's seminar focused on alcohol education.



JumpStart students watching the presentation.



Jimmy Wilson asks a question during the seminar.



Drink responsibly!



Aja Townsend
Academic Success
Home: B.C., Canada
Hobbies: Traveling,
dance, hanging out with
friends and family.

Why did you choose to
come to Gallaudet
University?

I'm actually from New Zealand and was mainstreamed there, so I came to Gallaudet to be around deaf people again.

What has been your
favorite part of JumpStart
so far? What are you
looking forward to?

My favorite part has been the Bisonlympics. I'm looking forward to the meeting new people and starting classes in the fall.

Name a unique fact about
yourself:

I like to eat slices of apples with cheese on top.

Zumba & Kickboxing



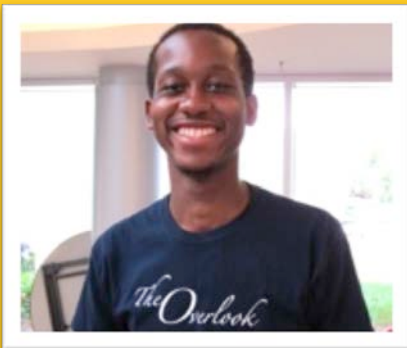
JumpStart students and staff stretch during a Zumba and Kickboxing workshop.



Peer Counselor Shelby Bean and students show off their kickboxing moves.



Students and staff gather to watch the instructor.



Daniel Villard
Jumpstart: ASL
Home: Haiti
Hobbies: Basketball,
reading, and video
games.

Why did you choose to come to Gallaudet University?

I chose Gallaudet because there are a lot of resources here that will help me to be successful in life. The people here understand what it means to be deaf or hard of hearing, and they welcome everyone with all of their hearts.

What has been your favorite part of JumpStart so far? What are you looking forward to?

My favorite part has been the Bisonlympics. I'm looking forward to learning more about deaf culture.

Name a unique fact about yourself:

I am fluent in Creole, am the only hard of hearing person in my family, and love to be around people!

Interactive Hour



Students race around their teams as many times as they can before the opposing team catches the ball.

During this week's Interactive Hour, JumpStart students and staff gathered to play a few games. One such game was Round Kickball, a game similar to kickball where points are scored by one person running around their team while the other team scrambles to get the ball kicked or thrown by the opposing team and pass it through all members of their own team.



A team waits for the ball to be thrown or kicked by the opposing team.

JumpStart students pass the ball they caught through their team.

Wallyball



Kelsey Hudson dives for a ball as her team watches.

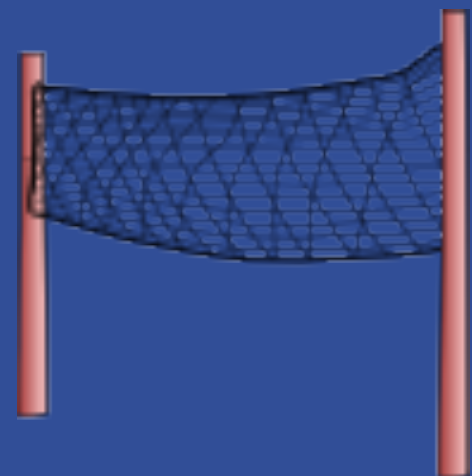
This week, the Bisonlympics continued, this time with Wallyball tournament that lasted three nights. Wallyball is a game played with strategy that is very similar to Volleyball. However, Wallyball is played on a court enclosed by walls, which can be used to bounce balls off of while playing. Wallyball is a popular sport in Gallaudet University's Intramural Sports program, and JumpStart students were fortunate to be able to catch a glimpse of intramural sports at Gallaudet.

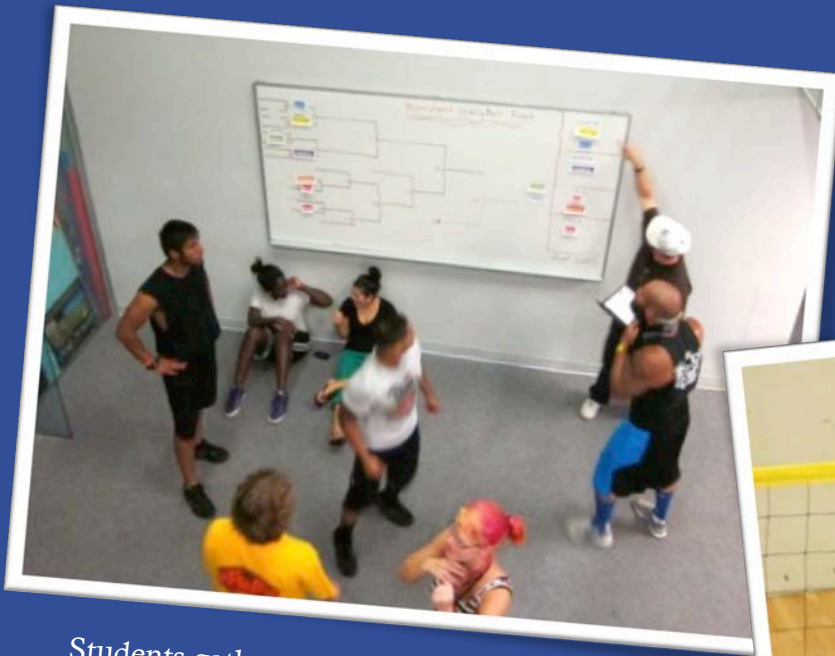


Alexa Justus, Lorian Jones, and Jamie Utzman take their positions on the court.



Teams of JumpStart students play Wallyball.

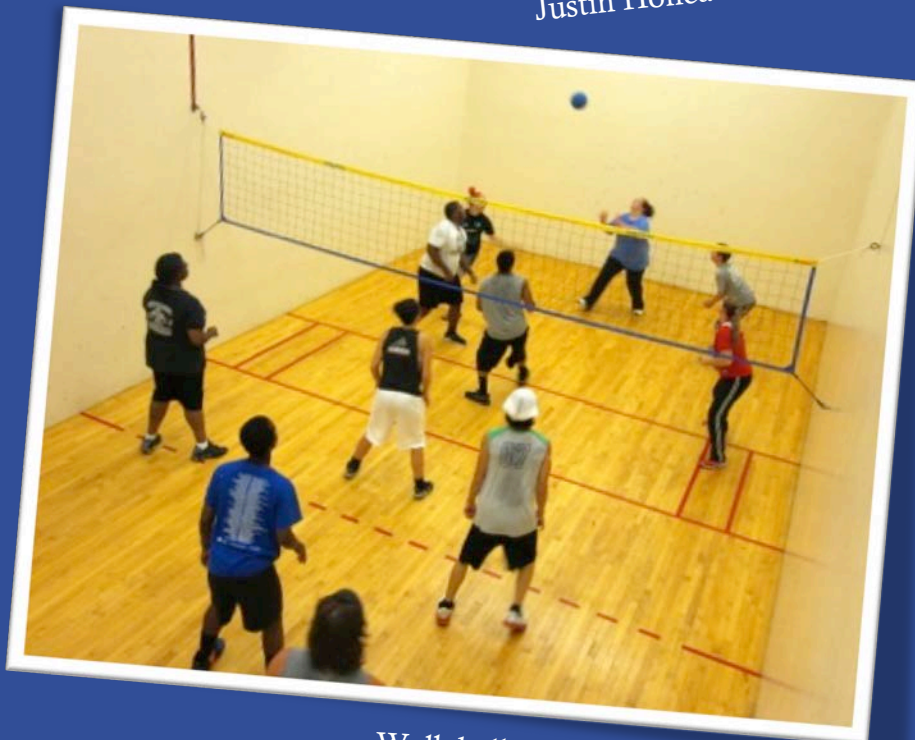




Students gather to check the rankings on the Wallyball tournament board



Justin Honea and Xuan Lin wait for a serve.



Wallyball!

Peer Health Advocates



Xuan Lin
Academic Success
Home: Missouri
Hobbies: Sudoku, video games, math, and strategic games.

Why did you choose to come to Gallaudet University?

I chose Gallaudet because I wanted to be around the deaf culture and community that exists here.

What has been your favorite part of JumpStart so far? What are you looking forward to?

My favorite part has been the numbers game we played during our first night and during Interactive Hour. I'm looking forward to meeting new people and making new friends.

Name a unique fact about yourself:

I am originally from China, I moved to the U.S. with my family when I was three years old.



Christine Gannon from PHA presents on the definition of a healthy relationship.

On Wednesday, August 1st, Peer Health Advocates (PHA), a health and wellness program offered to Gallaudet University students, presented on the difference between healthy and unhealthy relationships.



Peer Counselor Shelby Bean leads a group discussion on different relationship scenarios.



Leo Parnell answers a discussion question.

JumpOff

On Friday, August 3rd, JumpStart students participated in JumpOff, a scavenger hunt focused on Washington, D.C. Students gathered at the National Mall and had to go to each monument or memorial and take a group photo before moving on. JumpOff was a great opportunity for students to learn more about what the area has to offer them.



Posing in front of the World War II Memorial.



The recently erected Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial was another stop for JumpOff participants.



A group of students in front of the Washington Monument.

House One Tour

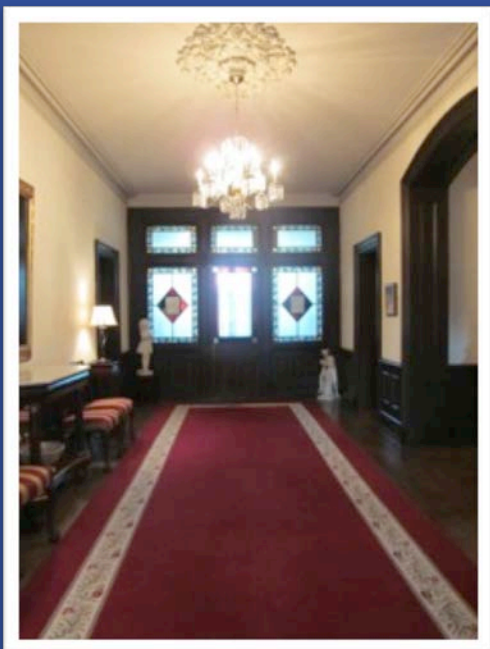
House One is where the presidents of Gallaudet University, past and current, reside. The house, first built in 1866, is an important historical artifact. On Friday, August 3rd, JumpStart students were given a tour of the house by Peer Counselors and were able to meet President Hurwitz and his wife, Vicki Hurwitz.



Peer Counselor Min Wook Cho leads a tour in the dining room.



The view of the main entrance to House One.



The view of the main hallway.



Peer Counselors Courtney Huru and Shelby Bean lead a tour in the kitchen.

Improv Night

This week, Improv Night was held in within the Gallaudet University Theatre Department in the Elstad Auditorium. Improv night started off with a tour of the backstage area and prop room, then finished with a few games of charades.



Students are given a tour of the theatre.



Peer Counselors Stephanie Weiss and Bethany Baker act out an opera singer.



Peer Counselors Kala Granger and Kristy Ramos assign a word for Jonathan Ford to act out.

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