



THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

**Staff Council**

**DECEMBER 2023**

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**Great Holiday Gift Idea!**



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You know that your staff IS actually the BEST STAFF EVER, so why not share your opinion by gifting your staff with this charming and versatile porcelain mug? Tell the world how much you appreciate your staff. Each mug purchased includes a **\$5 donation to the Staff Council Professional Development Awards** fund (which in turn, reminds Staff how much they are appreciated)! It's a win-win-win!

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America's 1st *Nutcracker* Returns! Last year more than 42,000 attended the hottest ticket in town! Hailed as the first and longest-running in America, Ballet West's production of *The Nutcracker* has been recognized by Gov. Spencer J. Cox as a national treasure that should be celebrated by locals and tourists alike. Salt Lake City-based Ballet West annually performs America's 1st Nutcracker – no other city, state, or company can boast that," said Cox. Come experience a true legacy that brings families and friends back year after year.

Use Discount Code: **BWIHGROUP24** for 10% off tickets for selected\* performances of this holiday classic!

BUY TICKETS

\* The promo code **will not** be valid for Saturday matinee performances, the performance on December 24th or subscriber specific dates. Those dates are Friday December 8th, Saturday December 9th, Thursday December 14th, and Saturday December 16th.

## Is a Masters Degree in Your Future?

As a University of Utah staff member, you and your family qualify for [tuition reduction](#), [professional development awards](#) and [scholarships](#). Learn about some available courses of study available to you below.

## Public Affairs

Online Information Session: November 30th at 4:00pm

This online information session will be hosted by faculty, staff, and students of the Master of Science in International Affairs and Global Enterprise (MIAGE), Master of Public Administration (MPA), and Master of

Public Policy (MPP) programs. It will include a short presentation about the three programs, how to apply, scholarship opportunities (including the employee tuition reduction benefit), and career pathways.

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## Legal Studies

The one-year executive Master of Legal Studies program immerses students in the law and the intricacies of the U.S. legal system. You'll build a strong foundation for working with and understanding law and regulation—without the cost and time required to earn a JD.

The MLS program is offered in two convenient formats: entirely online, and in-person at the University of Utah Salt Lake City Main Campus.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT LEGAL STUDIES](#)

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## Human Resources Updates

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- November is National Diabetes Awareness Month
  - Learn about programs for University employees with diabetes
- Documenting your flu and COVID vaccines in your WellU tracker
- Public Service Loan Forgiveness qualifications and application

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## Survey for Employees Working in Research

Dr [Caren Frost](#), the Associate Vice President for [Integrity & Compliance](#) is conducting a study of the experiences of undergraduate students, graduate students, postdoctoral scholars, research staff, and faculty in research settings at the University of Utah. The goals are to assess the prevalence of behaviors such as bullying, harassment, retaliation, and creating a hostile workplace environment in research settings, as well as to assess the quality of research mentoring on our campus. The anonymous survey takes 5-10 minutes.

[SURVEY LINK](#)

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**KEN GARFF**  
**UNIVERSITY CLUB**  
AT RICE-ECCLES STADIUM

Located in the Ken Garff Red Zone at Rice-Eccles Stadium, our private club and premier venue is the ideal place for the University of Utah and the Salt Lake City communities to come together to connect, celebrate, work, and cheer on the Utes.

When we planned our opening for the fall of 2021, we were excited to provide a space that Utahns have needed for so long. We created a place with incredible dining, but most importantly a place where you can connect with other people that share your passion. We brought on hospitality experts that brought an incredible mix of fine-dining experience, luxury hospitality experience, and pro-sports experience, to make sure your time here was always memorable!

[JOIN HERE](#)

## Scholarship Deadline: January 15th

The Tom Loveridge scholarship in the amount of \$1,250 is awarded twice yearly to a full-time staff member who exemplifies the service and dedication personified by the former Director of the Office of Equal Opportunity & Affirmative Action and Associate Vice President of Human Resources. Tom was a fierce supporter of University of Utah staff and was an ardent supporter of Diversity and Inclusion and headed up many a project/program to further these causes.

This specialized scholarship is awarded for courses taught by the University of Utah.



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## Upcoming Events & Staff Discounts

- U of U Men's Basketball: **Tuesday, December 5th**
  - Staff Appreciation Night discounted tickets available [HERE](#)
- University Campus Store: **Thursday, December 7th**
  - Friends & Family Appreciation Day from 10am - 2pm
  - 30% off at all Campus Store Locations and online
  - More information [HERE](#)
- [World of Illumination](#): Candy Rush at the State Fair Park
  - 15% off any weekday ticket (Tuesday - Thursday) from 11/8 - 12/14
  - Tickets available [HERE](#)
- Utah Grizzlies against Rapid City Rush: **January 27th**
  - Purchase tickets [HERE](#)

## Resources

- Check out [UCAN.utah.edu](https://ucan.utah.edu) to learn about upcoming coaching events!
- Watch "[Women in Leadership & Their Well-Being](#)" Webinar
- Visit [Red Butte Garden FREE](#) with your UID card
- [Special Discounts Available to Health Plan Members](#)

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