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AND TRADITIONS



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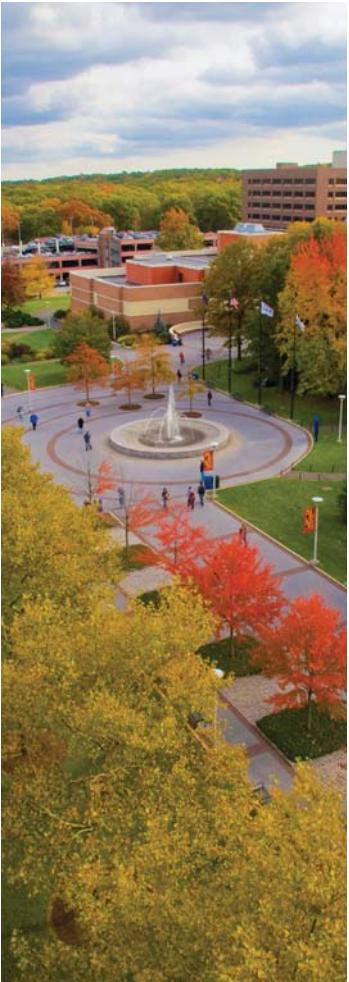
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NATIONAL LABORATORY



AN UNPARALLELED TRAJECTORY OF GROWTH

From its beginnings more than a half-century ago, Stony Brook University has been characterized by innovation, energy and progress, transforming the lives of people who earn degrees, work and make groundbreaking discoveries here. A dramatic trajectory of growth has turned what was once a small teachers college into an internationally recognized research institution that is changing the world.

Established in 1957 as a college for the preparation of secondary school teachers of mathematics and science, the first campus was located in Oyster Bay, Long Island, on the grounds of a former Gold Coast estate. In 1962 our current campus was built near the historic village of Stony Brook on land donated by local philanthropist Ward Melville.

Today Stony Brook is one of only 62 members of the prestigious, invitation-only Association of American Universities, and the *Times Higher Education World University Rankings* lists Stony Brook in the top 1 percent of the world's universities.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN



Mudville

During heavy construction on campus in the late 1960s, a sea of slime threatened to engulf the newly installed Roth Pond in front of Cardozo, while vast tracts of campus were intermittently buried ankle-deep in mud. Students and faculty routinely had to maneuver their way to classes over makeshift plank bridges. In a 1968 protest, activists held a “mud-in” and presented goo-filled cups to administrators.



The Bridge to Nowhere

In 1967, a bridge was being built to connect the Library with the Student Union. However, for reasons lost in the mists of time, construction was never completed and for years the raised walkway, known as the “Bridge to Nowhere,” came to an abrupt and precipitous end. (Legend says contractors inverted the blueprint and built the structure the wrong way round.) Few mourned its demolition in 2003.



Rockin' the Brook

During the 1960s and '70s, Stony Brook played host to many of the biggest acts in rock 'n' roll, including The Who, The Doors, Jimi Hendrix, Janis Joplin, Frank Zappa, and the Grateful Dead in their first East Coast concert — not to mention Blue Oyster Cult, whose then-manager, Sandy Pearlman, is a Stony Brook alum.

COMMUNITY PLEDGE

The Community Pledge grew out of the 1999 Year of Community campus initiative and was written by a committee of students, faculty and staff. Although we come from many backgrounds, experiences and beliefs, we are one community — we are all Seawolves.



As a member of the Stony Brook University community, I agree to promote equality, civility, caring, responsibility, accountability and respect. I recognize the importance of understanding and appreciating our differences and similarities. Therefore, I pledge the following:

- 1.** I will not encroach on the rights of others, either as individuals or as groups.
- 2.** I accept the obligation to listen to and understand the beliefs and opinions of others, and to treat others fairly.
- 3.** I am accountable for my own behavior. I accept that I am, in part, responsible for the welfare of the community itself.
- 4.** I will stand up for the dignity of every member of this community.
- 5.** I will celebrate and express pride in our community's diversity in all its forms: race, gender identity, differing ability, religion, sexual orientation or any of the dimensions which make each person uniquely human.

Visit studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/dos/community_pledge.shtml

STONY BROOK LANDMARKS

Ashley Schiff Park Preserve

Located between Roth Quad and the School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, the 26-acre woodland, lined with oak and maple trees, honors Ashley Schiff, a dedicated and popular professor of political science and avowed naturalist during the early days of Stony Brook University.



The Fountains

The fountain in the center of the six-acre Academic Mall is connected by a man-made “brook” to the fountain in front of the Charles B. Wang Center.



Umbilic Torus

Standing at a gateway to the Academic Mall, the Umbilic Torus is an awe-inspiring symbol of Stony Brook’s commitment to the integral relationship between math, science, the arts and humanities. Commissioned by Jim and Marilyn Simons through the Simons Foundation, this 24-foot-high, nearly 10-ton bronze work of art is based on Euclidean math principles.



9/11 Memorial Arch

Donated by the Stony Brook Alumni Association, the Memorial Arch honors the 21 Stony Brook alumni who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.



Paul Simons Memorial Bike Path

Stony Brook's campus is set among 1,000 wooded acres, complete with a nature preserve. The Paul Simons Memorial Bike Path — six miles of pristine pavement for biking, running and rollerblading — encircles the campus. It is dedicated to the memory of Paul Simons, a former Stony Brook student and avid cyclist.



Ice Age Boulders

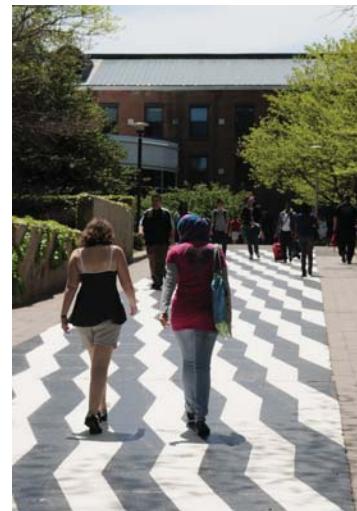
Scattered about the Stony Brook campus are several hundred granite boulders, 20,000-year-old leftovers from the Ice Age glaciers that once blanketed Long Island. Today, many serve as brightly painted totems for fraternities, sororities and other campus organizations.





Stony Bones

The exact replica of *Majungasaurus crenatissimus* is right at home in the lobby of our Administration Building. The Cretaceous Period meat-eater was unearthed in Madagascar by a team of Stony Brook University paleontologists, led by David Krause of the Department of Anatomical Sciences.



Zebra Path

Originally painted by art student Kim Hardiman as part of a project for her art class back in 1981, the Zebra Path is a striped geometric walkway connecting the Academic Mall with northern sections of campus beyond John S. Toll Drive. The eye-catching path lies in front of the Career Center and behind the Melville Library.



STONY BROOK TRADITIONS AND EVENTS

Welcome Wagon

For their first day on campus, incoming freshmen are welcomed with banners, posters and lots of helping hands by their new Stony Brook friends, the Stony Brook Spirit Squad, and even President Stanley!



Diversity Day

Individuals of different backgrounds come together for an annual day of celebration and togetherness.

Every spring semester during Strawberry Fest, we share the many dimensions of our different heritages and lifestyles through music and dance performances, creative arts, lectures and cultural offerings.

Earthstock

In honor of Earth Day, this celebration features exhibits, displays, lectures and concerts to promote and support environment-friendly living. Events include dance and drumming performances, the Ashley Schiff Preserve Guided Walk, live musical performances, an ice cream social, lectures on conservation, a rubber duck race, the URECA Environmental Exhibition of Student Research, a local farmers market on the Academic Mall, and Pride Patrol campus beautification projects.





Festival of Lights

Every year during the holiday season, members of the campus community come together to participate in an intercultural program that celebrates the diversity of religions and cultures on campus.



Official Class Ring Collection

These elegant symbols of Stony Brook pride indicate graduation year on one side and degree and major, complete with icon, on the other. Styles include the Wolfie swagger, the new distinctive Stony Brook shield, or our elegant signet-style ring featuring Stony Brook's classic stars and rays.





Roth Pond Regatta

In the spring of 1988, inspired by a Mountain Dew commercial, Stony Brook students Curt Epstein, John Rickerman and Stuart Weinstein petitioned the University for \$250 to put on a cardboard boat race on Roth Pond. That year, the inaugural running of what has become known as the Roth Pond Regatta attracted 10 boats and about the same number of onlookers. Today the Regatta draws dozens of entrants from all parts of the campus.

The huge crowd of spectators from across Long Island comes to see the amazing boats, hear local bands, cheer the winners and celebrate the coming of spring and the end of the semester. This uniquely

Stony Brook event has achieved legendary status and has been featured in *Newsday* and on CNN.

Shirley Strum Kenny Student Arts Festival

Experience the many talents of Stony Brook students in an entertaining week of artistic exposition. Every April, events include theater performances, dance exhibitions, films, opera, musical performances, seminars, concerts, recitals and master classes.



Staller Steps

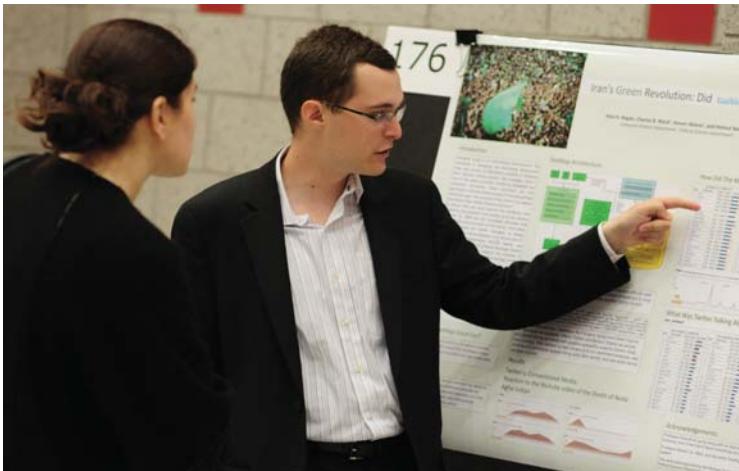
Many Stony Brook events, including pep rallies, Stony Brook Idol, Dancing with the SBU Stars and the Homecoming Seawolves Showcase, take place on the beautiful terraced lawn just outside Staller Center for the Arts.





Strawberry Fest

Each spring, everyone gathers on the Academic Mall to enjoy a mouth-watering menu of strawberry treats and a fun-filled day of live music, dancing and student performances.



Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities (URECA)

The URECA Celebration showcases the accomplishments of Stony Brook students working with faculty mentors in virtually every discipline. Students display their work through research posters, art exhibits, talks and performances.

Midnight Breakfast

During Finals Week, the most stressful week in the semester, students take time out from studying to get a free breakfast served by supportive faculty and staff from 11 pm to 1 am in the Student Union.



RecycleMania

For the second straight year, Stony Brook University has recycled more e-waste than any other college or university across the country. After recycling a staggering 120,000 pounds of e-waste in 2013, SBU increased e-waste recycling by 4 percent, bringing its 2014 total to 125,498 pounds.





Libraries/University Archives and Special Collections

Special Collections and University Archives acquire, organize, preserve and provide access to source material to support the educational, research and entrepreneurial endeavors of the University.



Unique Study Abroad Opportunities

Students have access to a wide variety of study abroad opportunities, including year-long, semester and short-term programs. Stony Brook offers unique programs in Kenya, Madagascar, Russia, Tanzania and the SB site at Florence University of the Arts.

Undergraduate College Commons Day

Each year, a book is selected for the entire incoming class to read. The book is given to each freshman during summer orientation. Over the course of the fall semester, we engage in a dialogue about the book, which culminates with a visit by the author on Undergraduate College Commons Day.



Senior Class Gift

The Senior Class Gift is an annual giving tradition that enables students who are about to graduate to commemorate their years at Stony Brook and ensure that their time here has a lasting influence. More than \$145,000 has been raised through the Student Giving Campaign since 2004.





Traditions Lounge

A convenient space for students to read, study or just kick back and relax, the lounge celebrates the many rich and diverse traditions on our campus. It offers recreational tables, lounge furniture, study carousels and Wi-Fi.



Upstairs at the SAC

On the second floor of the SAC above the food court, a room is adorned with posters and memorabilia celebrating the legendary performers who have appeared here at Stony Brook (see Rockin' the Brook, on page 3).

Wolfstock

Our annual Homecoming celebration features activities designed for alumni, students, faculty, staff and their families, as well as for the extended Stony Brook family of community members, neighbors and civic organizations. Events include kick-off and pep rally, Homecoming King and Queen contest, Seawolves Showcase, tailgate party and a rousing Seawolves football game!



Distinguished Alumni

Each fall, the Stony Brook University community honors an exceptional group of alumni at our Distinguished Alumni Awards dinner. These notable individuals are nominated by fellow alumni for achievements in their respective professions or communities.





Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps (SBVAC)

SBVAC, the 90-member student-led emergency response unit, was honored as the Collegiate EMS Organization of the Year for 2012–2013 at the 20th Annual National Collegiate EMS Foundation conference.



Alternative Spring Break Outreach

In realizing the need for Stony Brook to get involved with giving back to the community, a core group of students began to work diligently to create an innovative program to benefit communities in need while building a spirit and tradition of giving within the University.





Red Watch Band

This comprehensive program is designed to teach students how to recognize the effects of toxic drinking, handle alcohol emergencies and know when to summon professional help.



Serious About Safety

Stony Brook is one of the area's safest campuses thanks to the dedication of many hard-working professionals across the University. Safety programs include: Traffic Safety, Residential Safety, Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention and Outreach, Personal Health and Safety, Mental and Emotional Health.

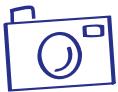
Join a student club or organization

CHEER FOR THE SEAWOLVES AT A SPORTING EVENT!



Go to a
CSA or RHA
meeting

Take a picture



with Wolfie

and friend him
on Facebook

25 THINGS TO DO



Find your major at the
Major Event



Use your
"First on Us"
tickets at the
Staller Center



Sign up
for ZebraNet and the
Student Life Listserv



Enjoy gigs
at the
University Café
and the TAC

JOIN AN intramural sports team



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Watch a

drive-in movie

at South P Lot

Check out Dancing with

SBU Stars



and SBU Idol



Become a TA or
participate in research



SPORT YOUR

**STONY BROOK RED
EVERY FRIDAY**

Chill out



on the Staller Terraces



Build a cardboard boat
for the
Roth Regatta

BEFORE YOU GRADUATE



Indulge yourself at
Strawberry Fest



RECYCLE
a can at Earthstock



Take a class
at the
Craft Center



FIND OUT ABOUT
Red Watch Band
AT CPO

**ATTEND YOUR
GRADUATION
CEREMONY**



Do the Circle Road
“FUN RUN”

WOLFIE'S WORLD

Wolfie the Seawolf is the fun-loving mascot who is Stony Brook Athletics' biggest fan and promotes it around Stony Brook University and in the local community.

Wolfie has been a part of the Stony Brook family since 1995 — just a year after the SB varsity teams became known as the Seawolves. The fourth name in Stony Brook

history, Seawolves was selected from a list of more than 200 possible names by a 32-person committee comprising students, alumni, faculty and administrators.

There's no doubt that Wolfie is a celebrity — he was the 2009 Three Village Sportsman of the Year and a finalist for Best Mascot in the *Long Island Press* Best of Long Island 2011, 2012 and 2013

contests. He was also featured in the 2011 ESPN College Gameday commercial with fellow collegiate mascots, and has marched in New York City's Columbus Day Parade. His favorite activities include cheering at Stony Brook games and having fun with kids and SB fans of all ages. Say hi to Wolfie when you see him. He's always happy to greet Seawolves fans with a friendly high five or a hearty hug.





What's a Seawolf?

Stony Brook had three previous team nicknames — the Soundmen, the Warriors and the Patriots — before becoming the Seawolves in 1994. According to legend, a Seawolf is a mythical creature of the native Alaskan tribes that brings luck to all who see it. But on campus, and especially when cheering your favorite team, the only answer to "What's a Seawolf?" is a resounding "I'M A SEAWOLF!"

SPIRIT AND PRIDE

The Red Zone

This is the loudest section of Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium and Pritchard Gymnasium at SB athletic games. It's where spirited students gather to pump up the crowd to give the Seawolves a true home field advantage!



The Spirit of Stony Brook Marching Band

Founded in 2006 with just 20 members, the band now boasts more than 200 of the most energetic musicians on campus. The Band has appeared on TV and in New York City's Columbus Day Parade.





Stony Brook University Cheerleading

This high-powered squad performs year-round during all home football games and men's and women's home basketball games, and participates in various community service events.



Seawolves Dance Team

The lively team performs at all home football and basketball games, and travels to select away football games and basketball tournaments.



STONY BROOK
Student Section

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Student Section

RED ZONE
Student Section

RED
ZONE
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SEAWOLFS

What's a seawolf?

SEAWOLFS

THE SONGS OF STONY BROOK

Alma Mater

*Music: Peter Winkler;
Lyrics: Winston Clark*

Sandy shore
Meeting the Northern sea
Ancient ground where
newborn dreams arise
Scarlet, gray
Under azure skies
The morning of a lifetime
lies in Stony Brook
Raise a grateful cheer
for Stony Brook!
Youthful joys
Youthful folly, too
Ancient wisdom seen
through youthful eyes
Lifelong friends
Bound by youthful ties
The morning of a lifetime
lies in Stony Brook
Raise a grateful cheer
for Stony Brook!

Stony Brook Fight Song

*Music: Perry Goldstein;
Lyrics: Howard Gimple*

We're the red-hot Seawolves
of SBU,
We never stop fighting until
the battle's through.
Let's go Stony Brook,
Let's go team,
Don't let go until you hear
them scream:
Seawolves Rock,
Seawolves Rule!
Let's go Stony Brook the
number one school.

Victory Song

*Music and Lyrics:
John Leddy*

Traditionally played as the
band takes the field for the
pregame show at football
games, following scoring
drives by the team, and
during breaks in the action
at basketball games.

“Go, Fight, Win, S-B-U”
is chanted as the band
and the crowd cheer the
Seawolves on to victory.



SEAWOLVES TEAMS ARE ON A ROLL

Over the past five seasons, Stony Brook has won 35 conference championships and earned 21 national postseason bids. In the last three years alone, the Seawolves baseball team advanced to the College World Series and an individual track runner, Lucy Van Dalen, won a national championship and competed in the Olympics.



Football

Four Big South champion-ships in the past five years.

Baseball

Five conference champion-ships and a College World Series appearance.

Men's Basketball

Four straight post-season appearances.





Women's Tennis

Three straight America East titles.

Women's Lacrosse

Back-to-back America East Conference champions.

Track and Field

All-American Lucy Van Dalen won the 2012 NCAA Indoor Mile.



GET YOUR RED ON

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It's What We Do!

To find out more about Stony Brook University traditions, visit stonybrook.edu/sb/traditions

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