

Wild U. Magazine's Wild Campus

Hundreds of fascinating exhibits!



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THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, A LUSH and densely populated ecosystem, is home to hundreds of species of collegiate life. Explore the wild and wonderful campus yourself, and see if you can spot some of these remarkable creatures!

First-Year Freshman *Drunklus continuum*

Distinguished by its weaving, loping gait, the first-year freshman is the bottom-feeder of the university campus. As prey to every other species — the Hazing Fraternity Brother, the Acerbic TA, the

Grad School Lothario — the timid freshman finds refuge at local watering holes with liberal admissions policies. A steady level of bloodstream intoxicants eases the stress of being hunted, ridiculed and hit upon. After a year or so, this species undergoes an abrupt metamorphosis into the Fat-Headed Sophomore.

Class Registration Official *Waitius interminus*

This slow-moving land mammal thrives in all departments year-round but is most active in the beginning of the semester. Known informally as "Mrs. Phillips," "Dotty" or "Dammit, woman, I need this class!" the class registration official stabilizes the university ecosystem by processing papers, forms and even thoughts with glacier-like velocity.

University President *Honchulous haed*

At the top of the food chain, the university president is a perfect model of Darwinian survival. The president's world is one of ferocious predators (trustees), hostile environments (diversity forums) and dubious allies (athletic directors). Still, the president thrives due to a singularly potent skill — the ability to squeeze obscene amounts of money from rich alumni. Its hunting technique is simple but effective: The president lures alumni to commemorative events with open bars. After the alumni drink themselves into blithering sentimentality over their lost youth ("I used to throw up *right here*, man!"), the president pounces — socializing mercilessly and fund-raising with savage abandon.

The Ph.D. Candidate *Acadamae embryus*

Burrowed deep in the forgotten stacks of the research library, the rare and pallid Ph.D. candidate hardly ever sees the light of day. It usually exists in a bizarre state of symbiosis with its mate (a "girlfriend," "boyfriend" or sometimes "fiancé"). In this system, the mate brings in all the food and money, while the Ph.D. candidate "works on its degree." This system can continue for decades. In extremely rare cases, the candidate will actually complete its Ph.D., mutating into the larval form of a professor.

Tenured Professor *Acadamae decrepidi*

The wrinkled skin and polysaccharide exoskeleton of the tenured professor gives it a fierce and forbidding appearance. It typically travels alone, although it is occasionally spotted in small groups, grumbling about departmental funding. The tenured professor is renowned for its tenacious will to survive — neither incompetence nor accusations of harassment can dislodge this willful creature from its rightful home: the university classroom.

The Graduating Senior *Panickus franticae*

The graduating senior is most active (and most entertaining!) in the springtime, when it spends its waking hours scrambling desperately for a job. These periods of frantic endeavor often alternate with hibernation-like episodes of immobilizing despair. In the spring, you can also see the graduating senior shed its old skin of jeans and T-shirts and grow its impressive new pelt of power ties, interview suits, blazers and skirts. After ceremonies, the graduating senior migrates from the campus in huge droves, flush with the heady thrill of opportunity. Within days, it will have returned to its original family unit and set up a bedroom in the basement.



Double Take

Thinking up the name for your college bar band is half the fun of being in a band in the first place. And as they say, inspiration flows from mysterious rivers. (They actually don't say that, as far as we know. But it sounds cool enough.) See if you can match the bands below with the inspiration for the name. Answers are elsewhere on this page.

- 1) The Yardbirds
 - 2) Hüsker Dü
 - 3) Alice Cooper
 - 4) Steely Dan
 - 5) Jethro Tull
 - 6) Anthrax
 - 7) Frankie Goes to Hollywood
 - 8) Buffalo Springfield
 - 9) Lynyrd Skynyrd
 - 10) The Mothers of Invention
- a) A board game
 - b) The brand name of a steamroller
 - c) A Frank Sinatra film advertisement
 - d) An 18th century inventor
 - e) Their high school gym teacher
 - f) A dildo
 - g) Charlie Parker's nickname
 - h) A 17th century witch
 - i) A bovine bacteria
 - j) Necessity

Parliament of Crows, Carter and Coleman, Wichita State U.

THE FOUR STAGES OF NOTE TAKING
STAGE ONE: OPTIMUM CONCENTRATION

GOTTA WRITE DOWN EVERYTHING HE SAYS, DAMMIT!!

1. HIGH ENERGY
2. MAXIMUM ATTENTION SPAN

STAGE TWO: RESTLESSNESS

Chemistry notes

STRUCTURE

A. Isometric atoms
1. the the thing is the
2. pink elephants rampant-sica

B. the carbon atoms md to bond to inisic molecules lose electron if molecules lose electron jump rope heaven red rum, red rum, red rum, red rum. laph-tty dog flightz zhw

1. SENTENCE FRAGMENTS
2. WRITING LOSES COHERENCY

STAGE THREE: DOODLE DOMINATION

why 2 the dog chew plow the
A. covalent bonds are swell
B. puffin power is the is

1. SURREAL SKETCH DESIGN
2. CATHARSIS FOR BOREDOM

STAGE FOUR: THE "DRAW YOUR PROFESSOR BEING BEHEADED BY A SAMURAI WARRIOR" STAGE.

CHEMISTRY

COMMON BONDs ALLMET

1. COMPLETE PSYCHOSIS
2. WHO CARES?