

# Stony Brook Matters

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## U.S. News & World Report Again Names Stony Brook One of the Top 100 Universities and Top 50 Public Universities

Stony Brook University ranks 96th out of all national universities, according to the report, and even improved its standing since last year among the Top 50 Public Universities, coming in at 43rd. SBU was the only university on Long Island to make the Top 100. [More.](#)



### October 3, 2009 - Homecoming and Reunion

What's a seawolf? You're a seawolf! Join the pack at Wolfstock [Homecoming & Reunion](#) on October 3. Hundreds of Stony Brook alums and friends will converge on campus for a full day of fun, food, football and a chance for alums and friends to reconnect and celebrate all that's Red Hot.

### Breakfast and Academic Showcases

Wish you knew more about digging for dinosaurs or "why good things happen to good people"? Attend the free outstanding faculty lectures at the [Academic Showcases](#), and enjoy a complimentary breakfast, too!

### Alumni Reunion Reception

Top off your big day by relaxing and reconnecting at the [Alumni Reunion](#). The Wang Center will be transformed into a "Red Hot Cocktail Lounge," complete with mood lighting and signature 'tinis.

### Wear Red! Special Homecoming Discounts for Alums

Show your pride and get your red on at Homecoming - shop at the University Bookstore for your SBU logo merchandise and get 20% off. 2009 Grads can get Class of 2009 t-shirts and mugs for 50% off! [See page 2 in bookstore newsletter for coupon.](#)

[Click here for a complete schedule of events.](#)   
[Register online by September 30 and save!](#)



### Alumni Events Open to All

Friday, September 18  
[Black & Latino Alumni Affinity Group Networking Mixer & Reunion](#)

Tuesday, September 22  
[Alumni Networking Happy Hour - Stony Brook](#)

Saturday, October 3  
[Homecoming and Reunion](#)

October 3 - 4  
[Polity/USG, FSA, SCOOP & Friends Reunion](#)

Saturday, October 18  
[School of Medicine Distinguished Alumnus and Outstanding Recent Graduate Awards](#)

Friday, November 20  
[Distinguished Alumnus Awards Ceremony and Dinner Reception](#)



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### University Events

Friday, September 18  
[Women's Soccer vs. Sacred Heart](#)

Saturday, September 19  
[Football Homegame: Seawolves vs. Brown](#)

Monday, September 21  
[Documentary Film: Afghan Star](#)

## Long-Term Study Shows Juvenile Sharks Stick Close to Home

Dr. Demian Chapman, lead author of the study, and a prominent shark scientist with the Institute for Ocean Conservation Science at SBU, tracked baby sharks over 14 years. His findings, published in this month's *Molecular Ecology*, suggest that half of juvenile lemon sharks stay close to the place where they were born, in the shallow waters off the Bahamas. "This means that using marine reserves and other local conservation measures may help protect sharks born around tropical islands for much longer than we thought," Dr. Chapman explained. [More](#).

## Introducing the 2009 Distinguished Alumnus Award Recipients This Month: Rear Admiral Dr. Steven K. Galson, '78



Dr. Steven Galson has served as the Acting Surgeon General of the United States since October 2007 and most recently in January 2009 was named Acting Assistant Secretary for Health. Additionally, he serves as the operational Commander of the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Service (PHS), a uniformed force of 6,000 health professional officers. Dr. Galson received his BS in biochemistry from Stony Brook in 1978. [More](#).

**DAA Ceremony & Dinner Reception on November 20**  
[Register Now](#)

## Alumni Invited to Fall Conferences Special Alumni Registration Discounts

September 23 -24

Center for Biotechnology's Life Sciences Summit: "Showcasing Innovation, Promoting Collaboration" - [50% off for alumni here](#)

October, 1

CEWIT Conference: "Wireless and IT Driving Healthcare, Energy and Infrastructure Transformation" - [Free registration for alumni here](#)

November 19 - 20

Advanced Energy Conference: "Solutions to a Global Crisis" [\\$50 off for alumni here](#)

## Orthopedics Faculty Establish Endowment for Department

The new endowment will support research and musculoskeletal education at the Stony Brook University Medical Center. Drs. Lawrence Hurst, Marie Badalamente, and Edward Wang contributed \$10,000 to the endowment - half of the recent Clinical Research Award they received from the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. [More](#).



Many of today's brightest minds are working on solutions to the world's greatest challenges - here at your alma mater. New energy sources, breakthrough medical research and procedures, innovative green technology...the list goes on and on. But as our undergrad and grad students focus on this important work, a great majority of them face an even greater challenge: how to pay for their college tuition. [More](#).

September 23 - 24

[Life Sciences Summit: "Showcasing Innovation, Promoting Collaboration"](#)

Thursday, September 24

[Indian Classical Dance: Tejas-Luminous](#)

Friday, September 25

[Fall Film: The Horse Boy](#)

Tuesday, September 29

[Sita Sings the Blues](#)

Thursday, October 1

["Wireless and IT Driving Healthcare, Energy and Infrastructure Transformation"](#)

October 8 - November 12

[Mini-Med School](#)

### Save the Date

Saturday, October 18

[21st Annual 5K Child Life Run/Walk](#)

Friday, October 23

[Presidential Inauguration of Samuel L. Stanley, Jr., MD](#)

Sunday, October 25

[Long Island Start! Heart Walk](#)

Wednesday, November 4

Hispanic Heritage Month Closing Ceremony

November 19 - 20

[Advanced Energy Conference: "Solutions to a Global Crisis"](#)

[Complete List of University Events](#)



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