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From Dr. Barbara Schaffner, Associate Provost of Graduate Studies

In these Changing Times

Advanced educational degrees have proven over time to further careers and promote salaries. The graph featured in this article link demonstrates a substantial differentiation between median wages of those with advanced degrees when compared with four-year degrees, and an even larger difference between those with advanced degrees and no college degree. It is abundantly clear, advanced degrees advance careers.

But what about now, in this time of the COVID-19 pandemic? The year 2020 has already been labelled as chaotic and a year that will ever change U.S. society. Of course, no one can predict the future, but early data demonstrates that workers with higher levels of educational attainment were more likely to have teleworked because of the pandemic... *Continue reading* >>



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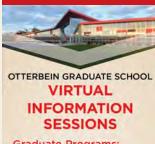
Nursing - And the Beat Goes On: Skill Intensive Days COVID-19 Style

Otterbein graduate faculty can adapt to new limitations and can create new socially distanced ways to engage students. All of us are experiencing changes in our world due to COVID-19. As an eternal optimist, I see many of the changes as positive, even though the sociologist and healthcare provider in me is concerned about the impact of social isolation for many community members... *Continue reading* >>

- NURSING Advanced Practice Director Joy Shoemaker

Allied Health - Exercise Your Joy

Physical activity and exercise are touted as the modern elixir for preventing chronic disease, enhancing well-being and improving both health and lifespan. However, many Americans simply dread daily activity and may currently be facing additional barriers due to access, time and public health concerns. Exercise can enhance personal wellness and increase the sense of connection with a community... *Continue*



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- **EDUCATION** Graduate Director Dee Knoblauch

MBA - The Otterbein MBA...Still of Great Value

Did you know...the MBA is still a valuable degree? In a recent article by Best Colleges (April 2020), the need for current MBA programs around the U.S. to "flex" their offerings is extremely critical to their future success. This includes content, delivery and price. The Otterbein MBA took this into consideration from the start of the program in 1997. Continue reading >>

- MBA Graduate Director Eric Lloyd

Educational Mathematics - Mathematics Influences Neural Research on "Deep Learning"

Deep neural networks are likened to vast, complex computing systems and can be analyzed using formal methods and techniques. In recent years, Artificial Intelligence (AI) has changed its focus from fundamental decision-making to rigorous mathematical reasoning. As a result, the Department of Defense and The Office of Naval Research has granted a team of mathematicians... Continue reading >>

- MAEM Graduate Director Jeff Smith

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