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WILDER BOWL



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Welcome to Wilder Bowl, a monthly glimpse of campus life for families of Oberlin students. Wilder Bowl is produced by the Office of Communications.

Happy Thanksgiving to All Our Families

From all of us on campus to our Obie families everywhere, best wishes for a happy and healthy Thanksgiving celebration!

It's Not too Late to Plan for Success!

It's almost time for break—is your Obie on track to succeed? Encourage your child to schedule a Success Coaching appointment with the **Center for Student Success** today. It's a great opportunity to reflect, refocus, and plan for a meaningful finals period and second semester!

Oberlin Conductor Earns Major Honor



Professor of Conducting **Timothy Weiss** is the 2025 recipient of the Alice M. Ditson Fund Conductor's Award, the oldest continuing award honoring conductors for distinguished contributions to American music. Established in 1945, the Ditson Award has been presented to luminaries including Leonard Bernstein, Marin Alsop, John Adams, Christoph von Dohnányi, and Oberlin alumnus Robert Spano '84.

Weiss was presented the award at the Contemporary Music Ensemble's November 1 performance on campus.

Student Success Sponsors Winter Projects

Winter Term is a cornerstone of the Oberlin experience. This year, the Center for Student Success is excited to sponsor two on-campus group projects, **Aiming Your Strengths** and **Introspection: The Intersection of Art and Identity**, creating space for students to explore, create, and grow. We would love your Obie to join us! They can learn more about these projects and many more in the Winter Term catalog.

Save the Date for Mid-Year Graduation

Students completing their degrees in December are invited to the **Mid-Year Graduation Celebration** on Thursday, December 18, from 6 to 8 p.m. This special event recognizes the accomplishments of our mid-year graduates and provides an opportunity to celebrate with classmates, faculty, and staff. Formal invitations with event details will be sent to eligible graduates soon.

Please note that mid-year graduates are also invited to participate in spring Commencement alongside the full graduating class. We look forward to celebrating their achievements!

Keep the Career Momentum Flowing!

The semester may be winding down, but career development never stops! **Career Exploration and Development** applauds students who applied for Winter Term internships and programs. Now's a great time to reflect on goals, refresh résumés, and prepare for spring and summer—especially the Internship+ Program for third-year students to tap into up to $5,000 in funding for summer internships. Encourage your child to meet with a CED advisor before the break to stay on track!



Your Support Makes All the Difference

For students like **Ella** and **JJ**, their Oberlin experiences would not have been possible without the philanthropic support of alumni, parents, and donors. Both Ella and JJ have taken full advantage of all that Oberlin offers—becoming immersed in campus life, joining student organizations, and building long-lasting relationships with their professors.

By making a gift today in support of Oberlin scholarships, you are helping students like Ella and JJ fulfill their potential. Click the link below to support current and future Obies!

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