

# The Leading Edge

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## Alumni Association



### Spotlight on Student Services

#### Alumni Association

Established in 1874, the K-State Alumni Association's mission is to "enhance our Kansas State University family through lifelong involvement." That family includes K-State alumni, current students, prospective students, and other friends of the university.

The K-State Alumni Association proudly ranks #1 in the Big 12 for the percentage of graduates who are members. All nine colleges at K-State purchase a one-year gift membership in the Association for their graduates, and the Association welcomes you to continue your membership following that first year after graduation.

Regardless of how you pursue your education—on-campus or as a distance education student—the Association strives to keep all K-Staters connected with the university. Through a variety of activities and programs, including the award-winning K-Stater magazine, nationwide clubs, and career services initiatives, you can stay updated on what's happening at K-State and continue showing your Wildcat pride for your alma mater.

The Association is excited that you and other alumni can remain part of the K-State family from anywhere in the world, even after your graduation. You can subscribe to the Association's free monthly electronic newsletter, @K-State, to stay in tune with university events and news relevant to you as alumni.

Sign up to receive the newsletter or view more information about Alumni Association membership, other programs, and activities by visiting the website at [www.k-state.com](http://www.k-state.com).

**Location:**  
1720 Alumni Center  
Manhattan, KS 66506

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8 a.m.–5 p.m.

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**Meet Dean Moxley**

Virginia Moxley  
Dean, College of Human Ecology  
Kansas State University



Dr. Virginia Moxley has served as the Dean of the College of Human Ecology at K-State since 2007 and as a K-State faculty member since 1985.

She has contributed to the field of distance education by fostering alliances for online learning that go beyond her role as Dean. She served as a founding member of the Great Plains Interactive Distance Education Alliance, a consortium of 11 universities, including K-State, sponsoring inter-institutional graduate programs, sharing distance education programming, and developing model distance education policies and practices.

Because of her leadership, vision, and commitment to distance education, Dr. Moxley was honored with the 2008 Faculty Service Award from the University Continuing Education Association.

View Dr. Moxley's blog and College of Human Ecology news at:  
[www.humec.k-state.edu](http://www.humec.k-state.edu)

**Meet the Graduates**

Virtual Commencement  
Spring 2009  
Kansas State University



Since 2005, the K-State Division of Continuing Education has offered a Virtual Commencement ceremony for graduating distance students.

Family and friends of Spring 2009 distance graduates can post congratulatory messages on the Virtual Commencement website in a Virtual Reception area. A list of graduate names and degrees is also available on the website.

The Virtual Commencement website includes commencement addresses by Sue Maes, Dean of Continuing Education at K-State, and Duane Nellis, Provost. It also features a special message from Amy Button-Renz, President and CEO of the K-State Alumni Association.

Visit the Virtual Commencement website to join the K-State Division of Continuing Education in congratulating this year's graduating distance students: [www.dce.k-state.edu/students/commencement](http://www.dce.k-state.edu/students/commencement)

**Web Feature**

Landon Lecture Series  
General David Petraeus  
Commander of the U.S. Central Command



Kansas State University will present a Landon Lecture Series featuring General David Petraeus on April 27 at 3:30 p.m. CST.

General Petraeus serves as the Commander of the U.S. Central Command and oversees United States forces in East Africa, the Middle East, and Central Asia. He assumed the post in October 2008 after serving more than 19 months as Commander of the Multi-National Force-Iraq.

The event will be held in Bramlage Coliseum on the K-State campus and is also available for viewing as a live video stream. After the event, the videotaped webcast will be archived for later viewing on the Landon Lecture website.

Watch General Petraeus' speech live or visit the archived K-State Landon Lecture Series website for past speeches: <http://ome.ksu.edu/lectures/landon/new.html>

**Announcements and upcoming dates****Enroll now for Summer and Fall 2009 terms!**

Search for available classes at:  
[www.dce.k-state.edu/courses](http://www.dce.k-state.edu/courses)

**Need to order transcripts?**

Visit the Registrar's Office website to fill out the appropriate forms:  
[www.k-state.edu/registrar/t\\_v/](http://www.k-state.edu/registrar/t_v/)

**Apply for the O'Bannon scholarship!**

View application details for the Fall 2009 scholarship, due by June 30:  
[www.dce.k-state.edu/students/services/obannon](http://www.dce.k-state.edu/students/services/obannon)

**The DCE Facilitation Center has moved!**

To take an exam on campus or to visit the DCE Facilitation Center, go to Room 131, College Court Building.

\* Summer 2009 term begins: May 18

\* May Intersession: May 18–June 5

\* Memorial Day (no classes): May 25

\* Independence Day (no classes): July 4

**\*\*Please note\*\***

K-State is switching to a new e-mail system called Zimbra, which is faster and easier to use, with more features and powerful tools than the current e-mail system.

The campus migration to K-State Zimbra will begin at 6 p.m. on **Friday, May 29** and will continue through the weekend. The migration should be completed Sunday evening, May 31.

You will still be able to access and receive your e-mail in the same location: <http://webmail.ksu.edu>. If you use a local mail client (Thunderbird, Mac Mail, etc.) or a mobile device (BlackBerry, iPhone, etc.), you can continue to use these preferred devices without any noticeable changes.

For more about Zimbra, visit [www.k-state.edu/infotech/e-mail/zimbra/](http://www.k-state.edu/infotech/e-mail/zimbra/)