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A national organization released a study grading 100 universities' general education programs.

Report Card	
Texas A & M	A
5 universities received an A	
Ohio State	B
33 universities received a B	
Princeton	C
20 universities received a C	
Penn State	D
17 universities received a D	
Yale	F
25 universities received an F	

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Report: Gen ed classes get 'D'

By Lexi Belcuffine
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Penn State can forget about that 4.0 GPA this semester.

The university recently received a "D" on a report that evaluated colleges' and universities' general education programs.

In an American Council of Trustees and Alumni's (ACTA) report, "What Will They Learn? A Report on General Education Requirements at 100 of the Nation's Leading Colleges," colleges' and universities' general education programs were evaluated through the classes they offered in composition, economics, U.S. government, history, language, literature, math and science.

Penn State was one of 17 schools that earned a D, directly beneath "C-grade" schools like the University of Iowa and the University of Maryland.

Twenty-three percent of the 60 "state flagship" schools surveyed — one of which was which Penn State — received a D grade. Only 7 percent received an A.

Of the 100 schools reviewed, only five received an A: the United States Military Academy; the University of Arkansas; the City University of New York-Brooklyn College; the University of Texas-Austin; and Texas A&M University.

One-fourth of the colleges and universities graded in the report received an "F" — including Ivy League schools such as Brown University, Cornell University and Yale University.

The report, released in August, is available at [WhatWillTheyLearn.com](http://www.willtheylearn.com).

Despite the low ranking, university representatives said they were undaunted by the ACTA findings.

"Penn State takes a lot into consideration when identifying their requirements for general education," university spokes See REPORT, Page 2.

Penn State debt mounts

By Laura Nichols
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As Pennsylvania enters its third month without a budget, more than \$83 million in allocations owed to Penn State is still missing — and the university may have to borrow money to cover the difference if the funds are not received soon.

Each year, Penn State normally receives its updated monthly allocation from the state as soon as the budget is passed in the beginning of July. However, as the budget impasse continues in Harrisburg and state grants go unfilled, the university is now dipping into its reserves to make up for the missing funds.

Penn State President Graham Spanier said Wednesday the university took immediate action when it learned its state allocations were not coming.

"It's frustrating because there's a lot of money at stake, and we're having to cover that," Spanier said.

University spokeswoman Lisa Powers said because Penn State's own financial reserves are current-

ly covering the missing funds, the university is no longer making any money.

"It's costing the university every day, week, month that we are without appropriations," she said.

If the budget impasse continues, the university will have to borrow money from banks, Powers said.

The state — now the only one in the country to enter September without a budget — allocates funds to Penn State on a monthly basis. The \$83.6 million in appropriations for July and August includes funding for the Hershey Medical Center and \$25 million in Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) grants.

PHEAA spokesman Mike Rieber said the agency has no funds for grants and is prohibited from doing anything until the budget is passed and signed by the governor.

"The governor and legislators have not agreed that PHEAA should be funded," Powers said.

In Harrisburg, the legislative gridlock is continuing despite its effect on the rest of the state.

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Spanier reassures staff

With no state budget, Spanier e-mailed to alleviate concerns.

By Caitlin Sellers
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Penn State President Graham Spanier issued an e-mail to university employees Wednesday, reassuring them of Penn State's financial stability.

As the university awaits the \$83.6 million that should have been allocated for the July and August sections of the university's state appropriations, Spanier intended to express gratitude to the staff for their hard work and alleviate any concerns regarding job stability, Penn State spokeswoman Lisa Powers said.

"We want them to know Penn State is holding its own," she said. "It's doing well. They

shouldn't be worried about their jobs."

The e-mail detailed ways the university is trying to soften the financial burden on faculty and students — including minimizing layoffs, absorbing increases in healthcare premiums and approving the minimum tuition and fee increases for the academic year.

"I also want you to feel secure and confident in the knowledge that we will do everything possible to put people first as we encounter future challenges," Spanier wrote in the e-mail.

Powers said the e-mail was meant to help employees feel more secure despite uncertainty in the current economy.

"People get nervous in difficult times," she said. "In this one part of their life, everything is stable."

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Students gather in front of the HUB-Robeson Center Wednesday afternoon to listen to preachers talk about the Bible and people's sins.

Passers-by hear visitors preach

Students gathered in response to imploring preachers.

By Laurie Stern
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Watch out, partiers, sex freaks and feminists — judgment is coming.

At least that's what a group of preachers gathered outside the HUB said Wednesday, holding an impromptu rally to spread their religious and moral beliefs to the campus community.

Among those present was Vincent Piater, who said he traveled the world and met a preacher in Scotland who awakened his religious dedication.

"I felt God had called me to preach in the open air," Piater said. "Only after God revealed himself to me — that's what healed me of my sin."

Aside from the signs some preachers were holding — reading "Trust Jesus" and "Evolution is a Lie," among other slogans — students representing various on-campus organizations displayed their opposition with a rainbow flag representing the LGBT

community and a sign which read: "Atheist Agnostic Association."

Corey Kurz (sophomore-mathematics) was one of the students holding the LGBT flag. He said he was amused by the commotion caused by the preachers but not at all surprised.

"Usually, I see them and chuckle to myself," Kurz said. "I'm all for discussion. I don't think they change anybody's mind."

Several of the preachers said they travel around the country, stopping at college campuses to spread their beliefs and engage students in debate and discus-

sion. Piater said he has previously been to schools in Arizona, Texas, Wisconsin and Michigan, and students are usually extremely opinionated in their responses.

Hannah Sams (senior-music) spoke with the group of students from the Atheist and Agnostic Association because she wanted more information about their organization.

She recalled a time last year in an Osmond Laboratory class when the professor was forced to close the windows because a group of preachers across the

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Paterno demands perfection of senior quarterback Clark

By Nate Mink
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An offensive line is learning to gel and a receiving corps is fine-tuning its route-running.

Yet Joe Paterno decided to call out Daryll Clark for a rare miscue. The quarterback miscalculated the timing of a pass, throwing the ball well out of range of the receiver.

And that's exactly what Paterno told him.

"Clark, you can't be that late across the middle," Clark said, imitating Paterno's nasally voice. "Jay [Paterno], he messes up again. Get his rear end outta here."

It's clear why Paterno wants

perfection from his senior quarterback: The grizzled Clark has the ability to make everyone around him better. And with three new starters on the offensive line and new faces at wideout, the coach is hopeful they'll progress more quickly with Clark as their leader.

"I don't think there's any question," Paterno said. "Having a quarterback that's had success and the kids know he can handle it, his presence in the huddle, his ability to literally coach on the field in the ballgame — those kind of things are really important."

Receiver Graham Zug echoed Paterno's words, saying having a good leader in Clark makes him a better football player.

"After every single play, we usually talk," Zug said. "He communicates with each one of us, and he lets us know what we need to do better to help him out and to help the play out."

The question is if Clark's talent will make the offensive line and receiving corps appear better than they actually are.

Linebacker Josh Hull thinks it will.

"It's a great asset having Daryll under center," he said. "It's at the point now where their inexperience — Daryll can cover up for that, make up for what those other two positions lack."

Center Stefen Wisniewski, a returning starter who's expected to



Collegian file photo

Penn State quarterback Daryll Clark advances down the field with the ball.

be the strongest link in a rebuilt offensive line, said having Clark and tailback Evan Royster in the backfield makes the line look better.

If there's a hole, Royster will find it, Wisniewski said.

"With Daryll and pass protection, you kind of know that if one

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