Even though the semester is blazing to an end with only three weeks left, the campus scenery is easing into fall with leaves turning orange, crimson, and gold. Unseasonably warm temperatures and drought-ending downpours have added some variety to the autumn season.
Cunningham Lecturer Lights Up Nation Theatre

The 2022 Cunningham Lecturer Justin Jones-Fosu inspired audience members on Thursday, November 10, to build inclusion and diversity into their everyday lives. He recommended scheduling opportunities to learn something new about people, customs, culture, and history, and said that authentic listening is an important step toward understanding others.

Justin is the founder and CEO of Work. Meaningful. and author of *The Inclusive Mindset: How to Cultivate Diversity in Your Everyday Life*. His passion was evident as his lively presentation in the Sally and Jim Nation Theatre shined a new light on the subject of diversity.

The 2022 DEI Cunningham Lecture is co-sponsored by the Austin College Shem Cunningham Lectureship and the President’s Committee on Inclusion and Diversity. The Cunningham Lectures were established by a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Shem Cunningham of Wichita Falls, Texas, so the Austin College community might benefit from visits of distinguished speakers. Mr. Cunningham was a 1920 graduate of Austin College.
Mock Trial Team Travels to New England

The Austin College Mock Trial teams recently returned from the Wildcat Invitational at the University of New Hampshire in Durham, New Hampshire. Matilda Gajardo ’23 and Jeff Truitt ’25 won Outstanding Attorney awards. Earlier in October, the teams attended the Chucky Mullins Invitations at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi, where Kate Kahle ’23 won an Outstanding Attorney award.

And the Alumni Information Round-Up Winners Are!

Thanks to all who updated their information with the Office of Alumni Engagement between October 20 and November 15. These names were pulled from the pouch to win cool, new swag! Congratulations to our winners.

**Melissa Chapman Weber** '97 wins an alumni decal.

**Joshua DuBose** '03 wins a $25 gift certificate to AC Bookstore.

**Rebecca Wood Wyatt** '80 wins an Austin College hoodie.

You can visit the [Austin College Bookstore](http://example.com) online anytime to update your ‘Roo gear, too. It’s a great place for gift ideas and deals through the holidays!
Homecoming and Family Weekend Draws a Record Crowd

Austin College welcomed hundreds of alumni, family, and friends to campus for the special weekend, October 28-October 30. Despite the rain, ‘Roos enjoyed tours, an awards dinner, panel discussions, football and soccer games, reunion gatherings, and an epic party at 903 Brewery featuring Band on Grand.

The Homecoming Court and High Court winners were recognized at the football game. The Court included seniors Isabella Sada-Nieto, Luis Velez, Molly Corso, and Timareah Kimbrough, and juniors Alyssa Holloway and Cody McCasland. Isabella and Luis were selected for High Court honors by the student body.

End-of-Semester Dates and Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving Break begins for students November 21 and continues through November 27. Campus offices will be closed for Thanksgiving beginning Wednesday, November 23. Campus opens and classes resume on Monday, November 28. Students may return to their dorm on Sunday evening. Dining services will not be available during the break.

Fall Term Final Examinations begin December 5 and the Term ends at 4 p.m. on December 9.

Campus offices will be closed December 21 through January 2 for the winter break.

January Term begins January 2, 2023, at 8 a.m.

In Memoriam
Dr. Howard Starr  
Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Education  
October 28, 2022

Dr. Jim Johnson  
Professor Emeritus of Classics  
October 31, 2022

Kim Snipes  
Biology Lab Coordinator/Safety Officer  
November 12, 2022