

MAHARISHI UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT



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ABOUT MAHARISHI UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT



“We are offering to the world invincibility through the Transcendental Meditation program. A few people together — 100, 200, 500 people, depending on the population of the country — is all that is needed to make the national consciousness integrated. And integrated national consciousness means all positivity, no negativity, lack of ill health, lack of all negativity, and presence of all positivity through the practice of the Transcendental Meditation program.” —Maharishi Mahesh Yogi

Our Unique Approach to Education

Maharishi University of Management was founded by His Holiness Maharishi Mahesh Yogi in 1971 to create enlightenment for every individual and peace for the world. Its method for accomplishing this is Consciousness-Based™ education, which has been introduced to the world by Maharishi and which develops the total potential of every student’s brain, the cosmic creativity latent within every student. This approach to education maximizes every aspect of students’ success in personal and professional life.

At the foundation of Consciousness-Based education is practice of the Transcendental Meditation® and TM-Sidhi® programs, including Yogic Flying.

More than 600 scientific research studies conducted at more than 200 universities and research institutions in more than 30 countries have shown that these programs produce unprecedented results in all areas of life, based on developing the latent potentials of the brain. These results include rapid growth of intelligence and creativity,

improved academic performance, and improved health and well-being.

Scientific studies have also shown that when large groups have gathered to practice these programs, there was a marked increase in global harmony, which immediately declined when the groups dispersed.

Our academic programs include bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral programs in the sciences, arts, humanities, and management. The University’s theme is “Engaging the managing intelligence of Natural Law to work for you.”

Our students represent 60 countries. The student body lives harmoniously as a world family, dedicated to gaining knowledge and to making the world a better place.

Faculty include internationally recognized scholars and researchers with degrees from well-known universities, such as Oxford, Harvard, Columbia, Dartmouth, and MIT. The University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association (www.ncacihe.org, 312-263-0456).

Our campus is also home to Maharishi School of the Age of Enlightenment, a kindergarten-through-12th-grade school that uses a Consciousness-Based approach to education, coupled with a traditional curriculum. Maharishi School has won hundreds of state and national awards in competitions in science, mathematics, art, writing, theater, sports, creative problem solving, and other areas.

All the problems in the world, from crime to drug abuse to international conflict, can be traced to one fundamental cause — the failure of modern education to develop the total potential of students’ brain physiology. When the brain is not fully developed, then people make mistakes and create problems and suffering for themselves and others.

Maharishi University of Management is dedicated to helping governments, schools, colleges, and universities worldwide adopt Consciousness-Based education. This is the key to creating a world characterized by peace and prosperity, harmony, and fulfillment.

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT

Maharishi University of Management and the Invincible America Assembly

Our Founder His Holiness Maharishi Mahesh Yogi is so proud of our students, faculty, and staff and their experiences of growing unity consciousness in the Golden Domes and the positive influence they are creating in U.S. national consciousness.

The highest purpose of our University when it was founded 36 years ago — enlightenment for every individual and perpetual world peace in an invincible family of nations — is now being fulfilled day by day.

We only need to consolidate national invincibility by adding 700 more Yogic Flyers, both students and Vedic Pandits from India, to make a group of 2,500 in all.

Trustee Dr. David Lynch Stirs Europe

Dr. David Lynch has just completed a tour of 15 European nations along with Dr. John Hagelin and myself. He spoke to over 20,000 people, and the resulting TV shows and articles

were seen by 300 million people worldwide.

His passionate speeches about the Transcendental Meditation program and Consciousness-Based education were received warmly and often rapturously by his audiences. He spoke



privately to the Presidents of France, Israel, and Croatia and to the Chancellor of Austria, delivering a powerful message of invincibility through establishing an Invincible National University, with students practicing Transcendental Meditation and Yogic Flying along with their regular studies. At the end of the tour, Maharishi had a special medal bestowed upon him for what he achieved.

Dr. Hagelin Becomes Raja of Invincible America

On November 20, our Trustee and greatest faculty member Dr. John Hagelin was crowned by Maharaja Nader Raam as the Raja (enlightened administrator) of Invincible America.

Two days earlier he had given an address to the Rajas and European

Congress of Nations in Meru, Holland, that Maharishi said described exactly, simply, and clearly, the transcendental reality. Maharishi said it was like showers of the Constitution of the Universe.

Beautiful Days Ahead

The opening of the Agiro Student Center on February 1 will be a turning point in our University’s history. It is a powerful and beautiful building, embodying the principles of fortune-creating (Vastu) construction. Congratulations to the Argiro family, to all the donors, and to all responsible for its design and construction.

I feel very proud of our faculty, staff, and students, the global pioneers of the highest education, bringing the dawn of a new time for the human race — where affluence, good health, integration, peace, and national invincibility will bless all 192 nations of our world family.

Jai Guru Dev
Bevan Morris
Dr. Bevan Morris,
President and Chairman
of the Board of Trustees
and Prime Minister,
Global Country of World Peace

This past year was the greatest in our history so far — the year of the Invincible America Assembly. It was the year of “number one experiences” — thrilling experiences of Unity Consciousness among Assembly participants, with Maharishi’s daily attention and guidance. It was the year Maharishi sent hundreds of his Vedic Pandits from India. It was the year the stock market



turned dramatically upward, propelled by the Assembly.

Buoyed by the Assembly, we have risen to a record-high enrollment, with well over 1,000 students. We are completing our flagship building, the magnificent Agiro Student Center. Consciousness-Based education is taking root around the world. And rising above our campus now is the Maharishi Tower of Invincibility, commemo-

rating the Assembly’s achievement this past year.

We look forward to a rising tide of achievement and invite everyone not already here to come and experience the remarkable feeling on campus, enjoy the Assembly, and help create an Invincible America. Our deep gratitude to all of you for your generous support..

Jai Guru Dev
Craig Pearson
Craig Pearson
Executive Vice-President

INVINCIBLE AMERICA ASSEMBLY

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**Maharishi Tower of Invincibility
Inaugurated on Guru Purnima Day**

In a grand celebration on Guru Purnima Day on July 29, people from the community and from around the country gathered to inaugurate the new Maharishi Tower of Invincibility — a beautiful structure commemorating the most remarkable year in the history of Maharishi University of Management.

University Founder Maharishi Mahesh Yogi was so pleased with the achievements of the ongoing Invincible America Assembly, which began July 23, 2006, that he invited the University to build the tower.

Designed by Dr. Eike Hartmann, the 45-foot tower is now one of the most striking features of campus. It is a square structure with white marble-tiled walls topped with a stepped dome and a golden Kalash.

Each of the four sides has an inscribed white marble panel.

- The eastern panel celebrates Guru Dev, His Divinity Brahmananda



Saraswati, through whose grace the Invincible America Assembly has dawned.

- The second panel honors Maharaja Nader Raam, first ruler of the Global Country of World Peace; University President Dr. Bevan Morris; and faculty member and Trustee Dr. John Hagelin, who led the Invincible America Assembly this past year.

- The third panel honors the Howard and Alice Settle Foundation for an Invincible America, which has provided financial support for the

establishment of a permanent group of at least 2,500 Yogic Flyers in the United States.

- The fourth panel honors Maharishi University of Management and all those who gave their service and generous gifts to make the Invincible America Assembly possible.

The Maharishi Tower of Invincibility is positioned on the hill between the two Golden Domes. It will be surrounded by a beautiful garden and viewing areas, with four searchlights aimed into the sky.

This has been the most significant year in the history of the University and Maharishi's Worldwide Movement for the Transcendental Meditation program — the year of the Invincible America Assembly to crown America with permanent invincibility. The results include the immediate and sustained upturn in the economy, the rising support for peace among the American people and in Congress, and even the absence of hurricanes.

By far the most significant development this past year was the daily attention to the Assembly of the University's Founder who gave personal guidance regarding the deeply profound inner experiences of Assembly participants — "masterpieces of experience," as Maharishi called them — which have been very fulfilling to him. In the course of his interactions with Assembly participants, Maharishi has brought out knowledge he said he had been waiting 50 years to say. His guidance has resulted in even more profound depth of experience.

The Maharishi Tower of Invincibility will commemorate the magnificent achievements of the Invincible America Assembly for all future generations.

The Invincible America Assembly — Creating Coherence in the Nation and World

As publicly predicted in July of 2006, a surging U.S. stock market charged to record-breaking highs, the longstanding nuclear crisis with North Korea is quietly being resolved without incident, and public backing and congressional support are on the rise for peaceful new approaches to resolving the Iraq war and other conflicts around the world.

These dramatic developments are just a few of the concrete signs of the success of the Invincible America Assembly on campus — the largest-ever scientific demonstration project to document the effects of large group meditation practice on the economic and social trends of the nation, according to Dr. John Hagelin, director of the University's Institute of Science, Technology and Public Policy, who is leading the Assembly.

Positive Influence Is Immediate and Profound

Maharishi launched the Assembly on July 23, 2006, to create coherent national consciousness — the basis of a healthy, prosperous, invincible nation. Since then, approximately 1,800 peace-creating experts have gathered to practice the Transcendental Meditation and TM-Sidhi programs together in a group. According to Dr. Hagelin, research shows that the positive influence of their collective practice has been immediate and profound in every area of national life.

The Stock Market Surges

Prior to the Invincible America Assembly, since January 1, 2000, the Dow decreased on average approximately 0.02% percent per week. However, immediately following the beginning of the Assembly on July 23, 2006, there was a statistically significant shift to a rapid, positive average rate of growth of 0.50% per week. The probability of observing a change this large in the Dow's rate of growth by chance is less than 0.014.

The U.S. stock market broke dozens of records during the first year of the Invincible America Assembly. The Dow surged 27.5% and gained 3,000 points to surpass 14,000, the S&P climbed 24% to set an all-time high, and the Nasdaq soared 33%.

In addition to the rising stock market, unemployment rates fell to a six-year low at 4.5%. And the U.S. budget deficit is dropping to its lowest level in five years.

Group of 2,500 Yogic Flyers Needed to Guarantee Invincibility

Dr. Hagelin said that based on earlier research, the present group of 1,800 Yogic Flyers is sufficient to produce a powerful influence of coherence and invincibility in the nation. However, to ensure that remaining problems in the country are quickly resolved and to permanently establish the nation on a high level of invincibility, Dr. Hagelin said that a permanent group of 2,500 experts is needed.

SPREADING MAHARISHI'S MESSAGE

Bringing Maharishi's Message to the World

The past year has been a remarkable time for bringing Maharishi's message to the world, including international media coverage of meetings with heads of state, two programs shown nationwide on PBS, and a historic series of presentations at the Global Financial Capital in New York City.



David Lynch and Donovan Garner International Attention For Maharishi's Programs

Award-winning film director and University Trustee Dr. David Lynch and legendary singer/songwriter Donovan have brought the world's attention to Consciousness-Based education and Maharishi's technologies for creating peace.

In October Dr. Lynch's meetings with heads of state were covered by news media around the world. French President Nicolas Sarkozy honored Dr. Lynch with the Legion of Honor, the highest civilian recognition in France. In their meeting Dr. Lynch encouraged President Sarkozy to build a Peace Palace.

Dr. Lynch also met with Israeli President and Nobel Peace Laureate Shimon Peres, and encouraged Israel to create a group of Yogic Flyers to ensure peace in the Middle East.

He then traveled to the U.K., where he was joined by Donovan.

Their announcement of the Invincible Donovan University again led to media coverage around the world.

Dr. Lynch and Donovan were then joined by University President Dr. Bevan Morris and faculty member Dr. John Hagelin in their continuing tour of 40 countries, during which they are inaugurating Invincible Universities and establishing permanent peace-creating groups of Yogic Flyers.

Earlier in the year Dr. Lynch and Donovan made joint appearances at three top venues in the U.S.: Lincoln Center in New York City, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., and the Kodak Theater in Los Angeles. At each event, Dr. Lynch spoke about his David Lynch Foundation for Consciousness-Based Education and World Peace, and Donovan performed live concerts showcasing his most beloved songs.

Donovan Film Airs on PBS Nationwide

A film of the live concert by Donovan at the Kodak Theater in January was featured on PBS stations nationwide.

In the film Donovan talked about the Transcendental Meditation technique and the time he spent with Maharishi in India in 1968.

During the broadcast, a notice on screen said that the program was being presented in part by a grant from the David Lynch Foundation for Consciousness-Based Education and

World Peace — bringing the stress-reducing Transcendental Meditation program to students.

Broadcasts from Global Financial Capital

In April Dr. John Hagelin, University President Dr. Bevan Morris, and other speakers began a historic series of broadcasts from the Global Financial Capital of New York — a stately building on Wall Street that has become the locus for raising the finances to support Maharishi's programs around the world.

These broadcasts via the web and Maharishi Open University offered some of the most in-depth presentations of Maharishi's teaching ever, with Maharishi occasionally appearing via video conference and speaking for as long as an hour. Each broadcast covered one of seven themes: Unified Field-Based Administration, Health, Agriculture, Education, Poverty Removal, Architecture, and Defense.

In the broadcast about architecture, for example, Dr. Hagelin explained the architecture of the universe, beginning with "symmetry groups" of the Unified Field and detailing how the symmetry groups of all particles, forces, and space and time are derived from this structure of Natural Law. And he explained how Maharishi Sthapatya VedaSM design is an application of this blueprint of Natural Law.

Other speakers included Rajas of the Global Country of World Peace.

SPREADING MAHARISHI'S MESSAGE



Above: French President Nicolas Sarkozy congratulates University Trustee and filmmaker David Lynch after presenting him with the Legion of Honor, France's highest civilian award.



Right: Famed musician Donovan appeared with David Lynch at top national venues and was featured in a PBS special.

At the end of each broadcast Dr. Morris summarized the talks in light of Maharishi's knowledge.

The broadcasts are online at www.globalfinancialcapitalny.org/video.

PBS Airs Segment on Effects of the Transcendental Meditation Technique on ADHD

In May, PBS featured a 10-minute segment on the effects of the Transcendental Meditation technique on attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

The segment included an interview with Sarina Grosswald, a fellow of the University's Institute of Science, Technology and Public Policy who directs the Institute-funded research project at Kingsbury Day School near Washington, D.C.

Dr. Grosswald said the school saw definite differences in children's

behavior, such as ability to control anger, while the children reported being able to focus better and being able to get their homework done.

The segment also featured neuroscientist Dr. Alarik Arenander and American University students with ADHD who are participating in another, wider research project. One of them described how he had been on medication since he was 12 and, after three months of practicing the Transcendental Meditation program, was able to go off medication and has "never looked back."

The ADHD research is being directed by Dr. Fred Travis.

University Hosts Second Annual David Lynch Weekend

The second annual David Lynch Weekend was held Memorial Day Weekend and brought to campus hundreds of filmmakers, writers,

musicians, artists, reporters, and fans.

The theme was "Exploring the Frontiers of Brain, Consciousness, and Creativity." The event was hosted in person by Mr. Lynch, joined by celebrated singer/songwriter Donovan Leitch. University Founder Maharishi Mahesh Yogi and faculty member and renowned quantum physicist Dr. John Hagelin spoke via satellite.

On the Monday following the weekend, Dr. Lynch met with the student body, answering questions and inspiring the students to go out and let people know the benefits of Consciousness-Based education.

Dr. Travis Gives Presentations in Switzerland and Turkey

Faculty continue to go abroad with the message of the many benefits of the Transcendental Meditation technique, with Dr. Fred Travis recently traveling in Switzerland and Turkey and attracting large audiences at major universities.

In his presentations, Dr. Travis introduced the idea of a ground state of consciousness and explained how this underlying field of consciousness can be directly experienced via the Transcendental Meditation technique. He discussed the relation of brain to experience, how experience of the ground state of consciousness can change the brain, and his research on subjects experiencing Cosmic Consciousness.



Dr. Fred Travis gives a presentation during a speaking tour in Switzerland.

RESEARCH

New Grant to Study How the Transcendental Meditation Technique Lowers Blood Pressure

Now that extensive research has established that practice of the Transcendental Meditation technique reduces hypertension and cardiovascular disease, a multimillion-dollar, four-year grant has been awarded by the National Institutes of Health for research that will seek to understand the physiological mechanisms for the blood pressure effect.

The project is a collaboration between the Maharishi University of Management Research Institute and the Howard University School of Medicine in Washington, D.C.

The underlying hypothesis of the study is that the Transcendental Meditation technique makes the entire neuro-cardiovascular system more stable and adaptable.

The researchers will test this

hypothesis by studying a variety of cardiovascular and neurophysiological mechanisms for high blood pressure in 152 subjects, who will be randomly assigned to either the Transcendental Meditation technique or a health education program.

University faculty and staff who made major contributions to the grant and who will carry out the project include Robert Schneider, M.D.,

director of the Maharishi University of Management Research Institute's Center for Natural Medicine and Prevention, Dr. Sanford Nidich, Dr. Maxwell Rainforth, Dr. John Salerno, Dr. Carolyn King, Dr. Diane Prather-Huff, Laura Alcorn, and Linda Heaton.

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Study Shows Reduction in Congestive Heart Failure

Practice of the Transcendental Meditation technique significantly decreases the severity of congestive heart failure, according to a first-of-its-kind randomized study published in the Winter 2007 issue of *Ethnicity & Disease*.

According to the American Heart Association, congestive heart failure accounts for more than 2.5 million hospital admissions per year in the U.S.

Researchers from the University of Pennsylvania and Maharishi University of Management evaluated 23 African-American men and women who had recently been hospitalized with congestive heart failure. Participants were randomly assigned either to the Transcendental Meditation technique or to health education, in addition to usual medical care.

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The researchers theorized that the Transcendental Meditation technique improves heart functioning by reducing sympathetic nervous system activation associated with stress that is known to contribute to the failing heart.

Robert Schneider, M.D., F.A.C.C., was a coauthor of the study, which was sponsored by the National Institutes of Health — National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NIH-NCCAM) in a collaboration between the University of Pennsylvania and Maharishi University of Management's Institute for Natural Medicine and Prevention.

Ethnicity & Disease exclusively publishes information on common illnesses through the study of ethnic patterns of disease.

CAMPUS RECONSTRUCTION



Agiro Student Center Nears Completion, Renovation for Other Buildings

The decade-long transformation of campus continues, with the Agiro Student Center and Maharishi Peace Palaces moving toward completion and many buildings having been renovated this past year. All the new structures are built according to principles of Maharishi Vedic architecture and promote, by their very design, the health, well-being, and good fortune of everyone who uses them.

The Agiro Student Center

The \$7.3-million Agiro Student Center — the fourth new building on central campus — is scheduled to open this fall, as interior work goes full speed ahead and exterior brickwork gradually enhances the elegance and grace of the structure.

This 50,000-square-foot building will be the hub of the campus, offering facilities for dining, meetings, and social events. The building includes a 38-foot-tall, atrium-style lobby with skylights, a 300-seat auditorium, a café and food court, two dining halls, kitchen, bookstore, student lounge, reception room, offices for Student Government, and recreational space.

Over \$4.6 million has now been donated toward the construction of the building.

New Houses in Utopia Park

A dozen new houses have now been built in Utopia Park, replacing some of the trailers in the southwest area of



the park. Constructed by Greenfield Properties, the homes have a rectangular footprint and differing designs, ranging from one-story homes with two bedrooms, two full bathrooms, and cathedral ceilings in the kitchen and living room, to two-story homes with balconies.



Peace Palaces under Construction

Construction is also continuing on

two marble-clad, 12,000-square-foot Maharishi Peace Palaces, with completion expected in the coming months.

The Maharishi Peace Palaces, one for men and one for ladies, will offer a full range of services to the community, including instruction in the Transcendental Meditation technique, Residence Courses, the sale of MAPI products, and Maharishi RejuvenationSM treatments.

Renovations Preserve and Upgrade Campus Buildings

In addition, considerable renovation of existing buildings has taken place over the past year. Seven residence halls were renovated to accommodate Invincible America Assembly participants, members of the PurushaSM program, and Vedic Pandits.

Utopia Hall, a steel frame building on the northwest corner of campus, has been renovated, including rotating the building 26 degrees, and is now being used as an additional facility for the group practice of the Transcendental Meditation and TM-Sidhi programs.

And more than \$200,000 was raised to repair the roof of the Maharishi Patanjali Golden Dome and renovate the interior.

Amish "Recycle" Former Campus Child Care Center

The project to reconstruct the campus took an unusual twist this spring when a group of Amish men dismantled the former child care center on north campus and took all of the building materials and fixtures so that they could be reused. The site is going to be divided into lots to be used by faculty who are planning to build houses according to Maharishi Vedic architecture.

ENROLLMENT

Record Number of Students Enrolled at Maharishi University of Management

With the arrival of 102 computer science students from over 25 countries in mid-October, the University's enrollment set a new record: 1,065 students. The record figure includes 459 students on the Fairfield campus, 467 in master's-level professional programs working in jobs and continuing their studies via distance education, and 139 in China.



500 Students in Computer Professionals Program

The largest program by far is the Computer Professionals program, which enrolled 30 students in late May in addition to the 102 recent arrivals, which was itself a record. The program has had approximately 500 students enrolled altogether this year, counting the students who had completed the on-campus portion of their degree and were doing paid

practicum work in companies while finishing their degree via distance education.

Leap in Undergrad Enrollment

Spring semester undergraduate enrollment climbed 89% compared to a year earlier, with the majority of these students coming from the U.S. The University welcomed 28 U.S. and 10 international undergraduate students in January.

Students from China Partner Enroll at University

Eight Chinese undergraduate students from the University's partner institution in China enrolled on the Fairfield campus in January, thanks in part to an easing in restrictions on issuance of visas to Chinese students.

In 2001 the University partnered with Oxbridge University Business School in Beijing, which later became Overseas Chinese College of the Capital University of Economics and Business.

More than 90 Chinese students at the partner institution have received Maharishi University of Management degrees while studying in China, but many had had the desire to do part of their degree program in Fairfield. The barrier had been the ability to get a visa — a situation that is now changing.

Accounting Professionals MBA Program Shows Growth

The Accounting Professionals MBA program continued its steady growth with the January intake of 17 students, for a total of over 80 students, including those completing their degrees via distance education.

The program started 18 months ago and emulates the format of the Computer Professionals program, now in its eleventh year, with students studying on campus full time for about seven months. They then



complete their remaining classes by distance education for 18 months while undertaking paid curricular practical training with companies around the nation.

For information on enrolling, visit www.mum.edu/admissions

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Student Film Wins Top Award

The University's new minor in communications and media is spurring the creativity of the student filmmakers, and in May a film directed by student Geoff Boothby received top honors in the college division of the Iowa Motion Picture Association.



Geoff's father, faculty member Sam Boothby.

Mr. Boothby credits his course work at the University for contributing to the success of the film. He took several courses from Stuart Tanner, a veteran BBC filmmaker who taught the students the elements of a good story.

The 22-minute film, titled "We Are Theo," is a mock-heroic epic of a passionate but indecisive university student. It won the Award of Excellence, given to the top film among those selected as the best entries in their class.

It stars Steve Pappin, a young actor who grew up in Fairfield, Kelsey Hallen, a Maharishi University of Management student, and Andy MacKenzie, a longtime member of the Fairfield and University communities. The cast of 30 includes

Mr. Boothby's film and other student projects were shown on campus on May 20. The films of the other students included three documentaries, a mockumentary, and some shorter films. The students used the art department's new high-definition video cameras, Macintosh computers, and Final Cut Pro software to make their movies.

In July this successful new minor was approved by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools to be a major.

Presentations at Business Conference

Students in the University's Ph.D. program in management made presentations at the annual MBAA International conference in Chicago. Edi Shivaji presented his research proposal on "Outsourcing and Stress: The Role of the Transcendental Meditation program." Wendy Sanchez had a paper presented on her behalf titled "The Impact of Consumer Behavior on the Greening of the Environment in Taiwan." Shih-Ming Huang spoke about sustainable building and ecological design as part of a panel on "Sustainable Living and Development." And Sabita Sawhney also represented the University in a session on "Information Value of Secondary Statistics."

Eco-Fair 2007

A group of students organized this year's annual Eco-Fair, focused on alternative energy and featuring talks, workshops, a mobile solar panel that powered many of the activities, rides in hybrid autos, a plant giveaway, vendor booths, a fun eco-challenge obstacle course, the Eco-Jam Fashion Show, and the film "Who Killed the Electric Car?"

Renewable Energy Projects

Students in the Sustainable Living Program created a range of practical renewable energy projects in a hands-on course on sustainable technology. They built a wind generator from scratch, a solar electric vehicle, a biodiesel processor capable of making 500 gallons of fuel per day, and a commercial-size solar oven. Fuel from the biodiesel processor will be used to power University vehicles as production begins to ramp up this fall.



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For more information on student activities, visit the student weblogs at www.mum.edu/blog

GRADUATION 2007 AWARDS CEREMONY

COMMENCEMENT 2007

Maharishi University of Management Graduation 2007 Awards Ceremony

Each year the academic departments recognize their outstanding graduates in a ceremony held the evening before commencement. Some of the comments of recipients are excerpted below.

Austin Ayer, B.A. in Maharishi Vedic Science, Valedictorian

“Studying in the Vedic Science program has been the most rewarding experience on many different levels. Maharishi captures in his Vedic Science the most beautiful vision of life’s possibilities. And after revealing life in its full glory to students, he wastes no time in setting them on the path



toward rapid realization. It’s more than anyone could hope for — to at once see the goal of life shining before them and simultaneously be taught the secret of how to reach out and grasp it.”

Mrudula Mukadam, M.S. in Computer Science

“Look at all your faces — happy, smiling, laughing faces. Apart from the computer science knowledge, this is what this University has taught me: keep smiling, be happy always. This University has given me the most precious gift of my life, the gift of the



Transcendental Meditation technique. I want to share a secret with you tonight. This award is the result of regular practice of the Transcendental Meditation technique.

“I read somewhere that the mediocre teacher tells, the good teacher explains, the superior teacher demonstrates, and the great teacher inspires. The faculty here are great, great teachers. They inspire you to do your best in whatever you’re doing.”

Alessandra Facipieri, B.A. in Management

“When I came to Maharishi University of Management, I made the best decision of my life. It transformed



me. Especially after I took the TM-Sidhi program, it opened a door to another world, a world that I love and that I feel is very precious. I’m thankful to have access to Maharishi’s knowledge and a technique that I can use to know myself. What I’ve realized since coming here is that what I really need to know is to know who I am, what my potentiality is, and how to use it to fulfill my desires.”

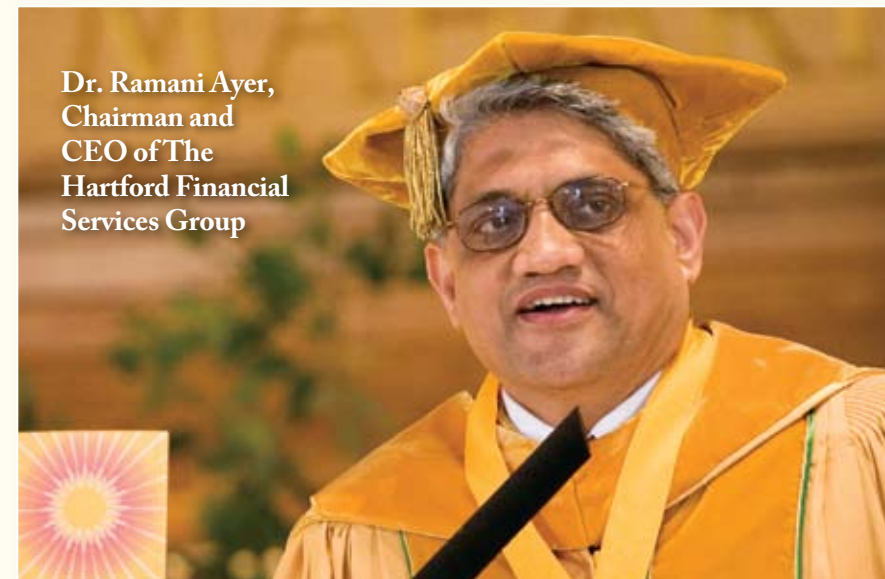
Tristan Webb, B.S. in Mathematical Sciences

“I would like to give my thanks to Maharishi who gave the world the Transcendental Meditation technique that shines light to the reality of the world that we live in. From his teachings we know that the laws of nature that we experience are really nothing other than the silent voices of our own consciousness. This University, the greatest university, points



out that the field of mathematics is connected inseparably from the fabric of conscious experience.

“But this takes more than a mathematical genius to figure out. It takes a divine sage to experience that pure consciousness is the underlying fabric of the universe and that this reality is the truth. So I’d like to give all of my thanks to Maharishi’s teacher, Guru Dev. He’s truly the most powerful teacher that we could possibly have, and we should all be very grateful for this.”



Fortune 100 CEO Addresses Class of 2007, Son Is Valedictorian

The 2007 commencement ceremony was a family affair, with Dr. Ramani Ayer, Chairman and CEO of The Hartford Financial Services Group, offering an inspiring address on leadership, and his son Austin following his father with a valedictorian address that emphasized the silence within as the basis of all success.

Dr. Ayer, a Trustee of Maharishi University of Management, commanded the attention of the graduating students from 42 countries in part because his own story of leadership has been so exceptional. He came to the U.S. as a graduate student with \$8 in his pocket. During Dr. Ayer’s 10 years as CEO, The Hartford has grown from primarily \$12.5 billion in revenue to a diversified financial services company with more than \$26 billion in revenue. In addition, The Hartford, which manages assets of more than \$377 billion, has risen to become one of the Fortune 100 companies, and its share price has appreciated more than 130%.

The Four Common Traits of Great Leaders

Dr. Ayer began by quoting his mother, who told him, “You become what you are by the company you keep.” He urged students to study the lives of great leaders, as he has done.

• Follow Your Dream

Great leaders embrace great, bold, positive ideas. He told students to get in touch with their own greatness, to follow their dreams, and cited the life of Mahatma Gandhi.

• Have a Sense of Self-Awareness

Another trait common among great leaders, he discovered, is their powerful sense of self-awareness. No matter what is going on around

them, they maintain their own inner integrity. Dr. Ayer described his own challenging experiences following September 11, 2001 and scandals in the financial services sector. The Hartford lost four billion dollars. Dr. Ayer was under tremendous pressure but managed to stay calm and centered, and weathered the stressful economic storm. He attributed his self-awareness and balance to his practice of the Transcendental Meditation technique.

• Strive for Excellence

The third trait Dr. Ayer mentioned was the passion leaders have for excellence. “Great leaders continually challenge themselves,” he said. “They continuously raise the bar on themselves, always striving for greater performance.” Here he cited the example of Benjamin Franklin, who would study the writings of great essayists, then revise their work until the main points were expressed even more effectively.

• Increase Your Capacity to Love

The final trait is love. Great leaders, Dr. Ayer observed, have the capacity for love. They are committed to the growth of everyone in their company, to enriching their lives, and creating opportunities for them to grow and succeed. “Without that, people cannot be expected to follow you.” Here Dr. Ayer cited the example of Nelson Mandela, who emerged after 27 years in South African prisons, many of them in solitary confinement, with no bitterness, embracing his white guards and expressing his resolve to heal the nation’s long-standing racial divisions.

Dr. Ayer summed up his talk with these simple words of advice: “Let your Dream lead you, your Self guide you, your Passion drive you, and your Love prevail.”

NEW RESEARCH DIRECTIONS

Exploring the Quantum Mind

Many neuroscientists are realizing that quantum theory is necessary to understand the mind and brain, especially as it relates to explaining consciousness. Maharishi University of Management faculty are now beginning to participate in this emerging discipline, applying their deep knowledge of, and insights into, physics and consciousness.

In July, faculty presented at Quantum Mind 2007, a major international conference at the University of Salzburg in Salzburg, Austria. The conference provided a survey of current research and thinking about consciousness from the perspective of quantum physics and neuroscience.

Quantum Basis for Mind and Consciousness



Dr. David Scharf, who has a Ph.D. in the philosophy of physics, including extensive study of quantum mechanics, gave a presentation on the empirical and theoretical issues that particularly point to a quantum basis for mind and consciousness. Dr. Scharf also teaches Maharishi Vedic Science at Maharishi University of Management and has become involved in neuroscience research.

In his presentation he explained that at its current stage of development, neuroscience is not yet in a position to provide a complete understanding of the microphysical underpinnings of conscious experience. He outlined the inadequacy of the hypothesis that there are neural correlates of consciousness, as understood in terms of classical physics. And he explained how advanced

physics can come to the rescue, and that certain aspects of consciousness, such as internal coherence and external reliability, are incompatible with classical physics but can be explained in terms of advanced physics.

Brain Wave Synchrony, Sequential Unfoldment of Natural Law

Dr. Scharf also presented a paper by Ph.D. graduate student Russell Hebert on “zero-lag alpha brain wave synchrony” seen during practice of the Transcendental Meditation technique. This research is of considerable interest to neuroscientists who are studying the quantum mind. The chair of the session, the noted quantum physicist and EEG researcher Giuseppe Vitiello, took favorable notice of Mr. Hebert’s results.

Physical Universe Condenses from Consciousness

Susie Scharf read a paper by adjunct faculty member Bob Boyer that explained that the unified field as a field of information and orderliness must precede the big bang. His paper referenced Maharishi Vedic ScienceSM to support an alternative cosmology — “the Big Condensation” — and described the sequential unfoldment of Natural Law in this

context. He explained that rather than mind, orderliness, and consciousness emerging from random bits of energy/matter, it’s the other way around — the physical universe condenses from the unified field, which is a field of consciousness and orderliness, through spontaneous symmetry breaking. This talk was also very well received.

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During the conference Dr. Scharf had the opportunity to meet with participants, a number of whom are very prominent in their field. He had the opportunity to spend the day with Jeff Tollaksen, who is part of a research group led by Yakir Aharonov. Dr. Aharonov, a quantum theorist at George Mason University, is an internationally known physicist and leader in the development of time-symmetric quantum theory, with its important prediction of temporal nonlocality.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

New Major in Communications and Media

In response to the success of the minor in Communications and Media, the University this year sought and received authorization from the University’s accrediting body to offer this discipline as a major. Part of the success is due to the contribution



of faculty member Stuart Tanner, an acclaimed producer and director of documentary films for the BBC, National Geographic, the Discovery Channel, and others.

In the major the students study all aspects of video and audio production. They also have the opportunity to take courses in graphic design and web design, as well as in areas of writing such as screenwriting, journalism, travel writing, writing for the web, and media-related writing.

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Faculty Author Book Chapter on Transcendental Meditation Technique and Leadership

Faculty members Dr. Dennis Heaton and Dr. Jane Schmidt-Wilk have written a book chapter on leadership development through the development of consciousness. The chapter is part of a forthcoming book titled *Spirituality in Business: Current Theory and Practice and Future Directions*.



In the chapter the authors explain that higher stages of psychological development unfold new capacities for effective leadership. And they review the developmental outcomes of the practice of the Transcendental Meditation technique, including longitudinal studies using Loewinger’s measure of developmental stages, and qualitative studies of leadership capabilities in advanced practitioners.

Dr. Yunxiang Zhu Presents on University’s Success in China

Dr. Yunxiang Zhu, Associate Dean for Asian Expansion, gave a presentation at the 5th Asia-Pacific Continuing Education Conference organized by Hong Kong University in Hong Kong. Dr. Zhu spoke about transnational education collaboration and offered as a case study Maharishi University of Management’s success in China.



Dr. Corraza Connects Math to Maharishi Vedic Science

Dr. Paul Corraza continues to publish a series of articles that show mathematicians how principles of Maharishi Vedic Science can resolve fundamental issues that have plagued the discipline for



more than 70 years. His most recent papers published in peer-reviewed journals are “Lifting Elementary Embeddings” in the *Archive For Mathematical Logic*, and “Forcing Over Nonwellfounded Models” in the *Australasian Journal of Logic*.

Ceramics in Prestigious Scripps Exhibition Support Peace Project

Ceramics created by faculty artist Jim Shrosbree with the assistance of adjunct instructor Mara Winningham and advanced students were



displayed as part of the prestigious 63rd Scripps College Ceramics Annual exhibit at Scripps College in Claremont, California. Proceeds of sales of the ceramics support the creation of groups of Vedic Pandits who practice Maharishi’s peace-creating technologies.

Ken Daley on Governor’s Task Force on Health

In his role as president of the state association of physical education teachers, faculty member Ken Daley was appointed to serve on the Governor’s Healthy Children Task Force.



Dr. Schmidt-Wilk Appointed Editor of Major Journal

Jane Schmidt-Wilk, associate professor of management, received a two-year appointment as editor of the *Journal of Management Education*, the leading publication for college-level teachers of management. Dr. Schmidt-Wilk had previously served 18 months as an interim co-editor.



MAHARISHI SCHOOL OF THE AGE OF ENLIGHTENMENT

Maharishi School Director Takes Message of Consciousness-Based Education Worldwide

Maharishi School of the Age of Enlightenment continues to be a leader in Consciousness-Based education, and Maharishi School Director Ashley Deans continues to spread the word about this system of education worldwide.



Dr. Deans at a conference, spreading the message of Maharishi School of the Age of Enlightenment.

Maharishi School Enrollment Increases

Thanks in part to the Invincible America Assembly and to generous support from the David Lynch Foundation and the Dharma Foundation, Maharishi School enrollment rose this past academic year.

The Invincible America Assembly is boosting enrollment as parents come to attend and place their children in the School. Maharishi School now offers the opportunity for children to attend for two weeks for free to get a taste of Consciousness-Based education.

School Students World Champions in Creativity Contest

This was a banner year for Maharishi School teams participating in the



Destination ImagiNation program, the world's premier creative problem-solving competition.

Eight teams came in first in the Iowa state competition and advanced to Global Finals, where the senior boys team won first place and a prestigious Renaissance Award for outstanding design, engineering, execution, and performance.

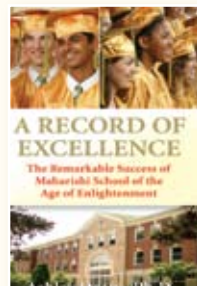
World championship team members Ace Boothby, Noah Caplan, Donnie Chell, Jake Gratzon, Tim Shaw, Owen Stowe, and Newlin Wilkins impressed judges with their teamwork and display of both artistic and scientific creativity.

To win the top score in the long-term problem, the boys wrote and performed a cosmic mystery play. The play features the planets as funk band members in search of their drummer Pluto, who has mysteriously disappeared.

Amid live music and rotating scenery, the boys unveil their pièce de résis-



The Maharishi Upper School boys team celebrates their Destination ImagiNation Global Finals championship trophy with their mentors. First row: Tim Shaw, Jake Gratzon, Noah Caplan, Newlin Wilkins, and Donnie Chell. Second row: Ace Boothby, Owen Stowe, Coach Mark Wilkins, and former coach and program founder Mark Headlee.



Dr. Deans is the author of the book *A Record of Excellence: The Remarkable Success of Maharishi School of the Age of Enlightenment*.

For more information on Dr. Deans' book, visit maharishischooliowa.org/book

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tance, a homemade binary computer precisely engineered to compute the speed at which Pluto is traveling based on an input of distances between melting ice shards.

Designed by Noah Caplan and built by Jake Gratzon, the computer integrates tin foil and copper wire electromagnets and switch contacts. The judges described the computer as "highly sophisticated and amazingly detailed. What a WOW!"

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Of the 200,000 students participating in the DI program worldwide, the top 8,000 qualified this year for Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee. There 991 teams from nearly 50 states and 13 foreign countries convened for two

days of competition, celebration, and pin trading, a popular DI custom that allows team members to meet and interact in a spirit of camaraderie.

Although many schools offer DI only to students in talented-and-gifted programs, any student at Maharishi School can participate.

The School has a history of success at the highest level of competition. In 2005, the School sent seven teams to Global Finals and brought home more awards than the entire state of California. Of the 15 state championship teams representing the state of Iowa this year, eight of them were from Maharishi School, a new record.

Mark Wilkins is the DI coordinator for Maharishi School. He coached three teams this year, and has been involved with DI for the past eight years as team parent and manager. In addition, Mark Headlee, who began the DI program at Maharishi School, was the team manager during the three days of the Global Finals and helped prep the team.

School Students Honored in National Merit Scholarship Program

Five Maharishi School seniors recently received recognition in the 2007 National Merit Scholarship program, the academic competition that recognizes the nation's top students.

Owen Stowe, Noah Caplan, and Angela Folz were honored as National Merit Semifinalists, placing them in the top 1% nationwide. They subsequently advanced to the rank of finalists after submitting an application that included high school courses and grades, SAT scores, extracurricular and volunteer activities, a recommendation from a principal, and a self-descriptive essay. As finalists, they are now considered for various scholarships.

Receiving National Merit Commendations were seniors Mehul Kar and Atish Dey, placing them in the top 3% nationwide.

School Tennis Team Finishes Third at State Tournament

The Maharishi School boys tennis team had another successful season, winning the regional championship and being among the four teams qualifying for the state competition. In the semifinals they lost to the eventual champion. They then won the match for third place.

The team also had some success in the state individual competition. The doubles team of Devon Jarvis and Mehul Kar finished fifth, and Ti Liptak finished sixth in singles. Also going to state was the doubles team of Owen Blake and Cooper Rose, as well as Joseph Gelfand in the team competition.



FAR LEFT: A photo by Benji Jones won first place in the 2007 Texas A&M University at Commerce Third Floor Photographic Society National High School Shoot-Out.



NEAR LEFT: A photo by Tye Huggins won first place in the 2007 Congressional Arts Competition. As a result, his photo will be on display for a year in a passageway in the U.S. Capitol Building.

For more information on Maharishi School, visit www.maharishischooliowa.org

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Why We Need Your Support

As a private institution, we do not receive public tax support. And as a relatively new institution, our endowment has grown to only a modest size so far.

Our two major income streams, as you can see on the chart at right, are student tuition and your Annual Fund donations. Together these account for 74% of the income we use to operate the University each year. In the past year, we received more than \$4 million in donations, including support for the Annual Fund, which helps enormously with operating expenses. We are so grateful for what our open-hearted family of donors contributes to Maharishi University of

Management year after year. And now we are hosting the Invin- cible America Assembly, which is creating such marvelous effects in our country and in the world. The associ- ated costs are largely being carried by the University — and so your support is more vitally needed than ever.

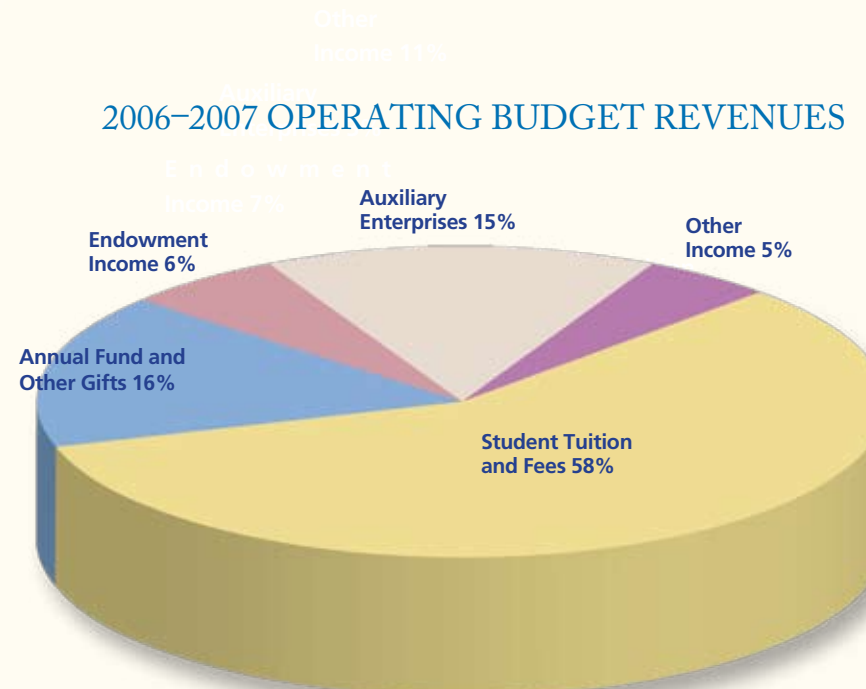
We extend our deepest gratitude to all of you for your contributions — generous, wise, and visionary. We are on the threshold of creating an Invincible America and a peaceful world — the fulfillment of our mis- sion as a University.

“We feel that it is an honor to give to the University as a concrete embodiment of Maharishi’s knowledge in the world. It is a universal principle to return a portion of one’s wealth to one’s spiritual inspiration and since money is just a gross flow of energy, returning a portion to the source of one’s success allows the natural flow to continue and to serve others. Maharishi University of Management is Maharishi’s first university and is at the forefront of every great project for his Movement — it is good to be a part of this great institution.” —Jim and Diane Davis



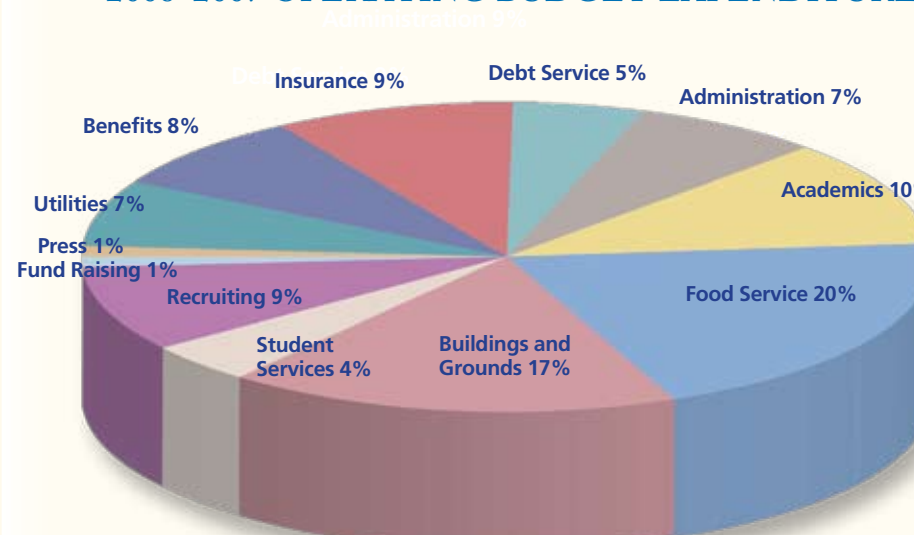
OPERATING BUDGET

2006-2007 OPERATING BUDGET REVENUES



Operating revenues do not include research grants and restricted donations.

2006-2007 OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES



Operating expenditures do not include those funded by research grants and restricted donations.

ANNUAL FUND DONATIONS BY FISCAL YEAR

2001/2002	\$1,125,944
2002/2003	\$1,500,774
2003/2004	\$1,512,947
2004/2005	\$1,502,398
2005/2006	\$1,502,183
2006/2007	\$1,545,355

As this publication indicates, Consciousness-Based education is now being widely recognized and appreciated as the solution to today’s educational problems. Everything we have desired for so long is coming to fruition. Your investments in the University are bearing fruit as never before, even to the point of bringing invincibility to our nation.

We thank you so much for your generous and visionary support, particularly at this historic time.

Jai Guru Dev
Michael Spivak
Treasurer



“The highest purpose of our University when it was founded 36 years ago — enlightenment for every individual and perpetual world peace in an invincible family of nations — is now being fulfilled day by day.”—Dr. Bevan Morris



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daily program for one year. To apply for the Invincible America Assembly or to learn the TM-Sidhi program, see invincibleamerica.org.

Visitors Weekends

These weekends are designed especially for prospective students and their parents—but are open to anyone who wants to sample life at the University.

- Jan 25–28, 2008
- Feb 8–11, 2008
- Mar 7–10, 2008

- Apr 25–28, 2008
- May 9–12, 2008
- Jun 6–9, 2008
- Jul 11–13, 2008

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