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### Project celebrates history of Iowa's transgender community

UI graduate assistant Aiden Bettine is creating an oral-history archive for the transgender and gender-nonconforming community across the state in hopes of celebrating and preserving the community's history.



### New assistant Honors director adjusts to UI, IC

Three weeks in, Emily Hill is brainstorming ways to better serve students in the UI Honors Program as its assistant director.



### Volunteers fight invasive garlic mustard on campus

Garlic mustard, originally an edible herb from Eurasia, has taken over some wooded areas on campus. Students and community members have arisen early and spent painstaking hours pulling the weeds by hand.

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### Breaking down Iowa baseball's series win over Ohio State

Hawkeye baseball has won five-straight Big Ten series, and those victories have come at a crucial point in the season. With players such as Zeb Adreon and Brendan Sher stepping up, Iowa has a chance to compete for a spot on top of the conference standings.



### Iowa football's Easley deserving of NFL spot

After signing an NFL free-agent contract with the Buffalo Bills, Nick Easley has a solid chance of making the 53-man roster. After being overlooked for most of his career, Easley finds himself on the cusp of making it to the top of the football world.



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## Regents consider 4 percent tuition hike

The state Board of Regents will ponder hiking tuition by 4 percent for UI and ISU resident undergrads.

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Resident undergraduates attending the University of Iowa and Iowa State University in the fall semester may see their tuition increase 3.9 percent above the current academic year's rates, according to the state Board of Regents' proposal unveiled Monday.

That potential hike comes after the regents pushed for a tuition increase of 3 percent at minimum for students enrolled at the two universities. University of Northern Iowa resident and nonresident undergrads would not see their tuition rise if the regents pass these rates as proposed.

For nonresident undergrads at the UI, tuition may rise by 1 percent.

ISU nonresident undergrads would see their tuition rates increase by 4.9 percent under the proposal.

The regents established a five-year outlook of resident-undergrad tuition rates in November, announcing a tuition increase would total 3 percent if their request for state support was fully funded. Per the model, increases would fall in the 3 percent to 5 percent range if Iowa lawmakers

did not fully fund their appropriations request. If the state Legislature trimmed the regents' budget, the regents said a tuition hike would be 3 percent plus Higher Education Price Index, which was around 2 percent this year.

The regents in September passed a request seeking an \$18 million in-

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## Wins, setbacks in session for Reynolds

Iowa Republican leaders applaud legislative success after the Legislature finishes the 2019 session.



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Kim Reynolds addresses supporters during a visit to the Hamburg Inn on Oct. 25, 2018. Reynolds visited with supporters and addressed the news media about the upcoming election.

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With the legislative session completed, Gov. Kim Reynolds called the session — her first since being elected in her own right — a win for Iowans despite leaving key legislative-agenda items on the table for next year.

"I said now is the time to deliver on the promises

we made to Iowans looking for a way up," Reynolds said in a press release. "Through collaboration and compromise, those Iowans will be better off today than they were before."

Two of Reynolds' priorities, which she outlined in her Condition of the State Address, did not pass the Legislature this session. Those included expanded access to birth control, which passed the Senate in March, and an amendment to the Io-

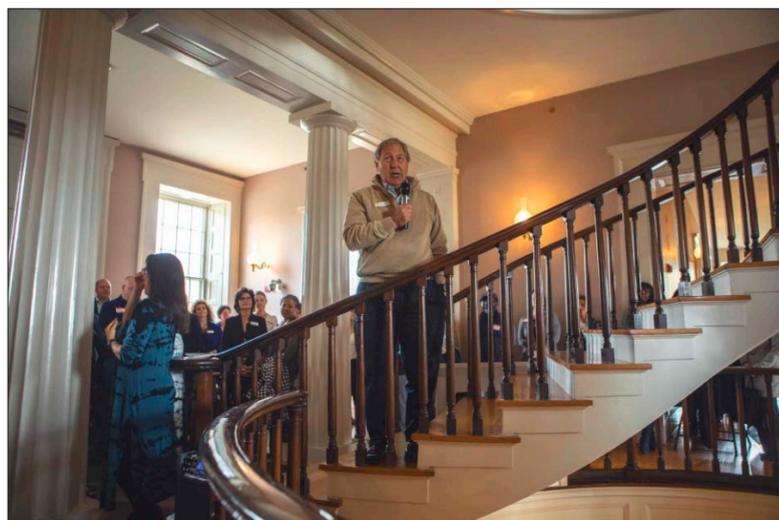
wa Constitution that would restore felons' voting rights. Restoration of voting rights unanimously passed the Iowa House, but it was not brought to a vote in the Senate Judiciary Committee, effectively killing the bill.

Reynolds said in the release that both measures will be addressed in the next legislative session as

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## UI leaders deliver diversity remarks

UI President Bruce Harreld and Vice President for Student Life Melissa Shivers discussed diversity and inclusion on campus.



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UI President Bruce Harreld speaks on diversity, equity, and inclusion at the Old Capitol on Monday.

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University of Iowa administrators on Monday celebrated the steps the institution has taken to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion on campus.

At a reception held by the Staff Council, UI President Bruce Harreld and Interim Associate Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclu-

sion Melissa Shivers discussed campus efforts to support underrepresented populations.

The theme of the reception was Making Connections and Breaking Barriers. The event was held to thank faculty and staff for making campus an inclusive and equal-opportunity environment, said Carly Armour, the Staff Council Diversity Committee co-chair.

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## UI places Modern Piping payment in independent trust fund

The UI has put the remainder of its settlement — more than \$13 million — to Modern Piping in an independent trust to be paid to the company when the UI receives final construction documents.

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The University of Iowa remains firm on its stance of not paying the full court-ordered settlement it owes Modern Piping until it receives final construction records for the Stead Family Children's Hospital.

UI External Affairs Assistant Vice President Jeneane Beck said on Monday that the UI has placed the remaining settlement — more than \$13 million — into an independent attorney's trust account with instructions to release the funds to Cedar Rapids construction company Modern Piping once architecture firm Heery approves construction documents for work on the Children's Hospital.

Heery Managing Director Scott Hansche wrote in an email exchange to UI officials last week that the documents needed include corrected as-builts, a building-information model, and LEED submittals.

In an email sent to Modern Piping CEO Ken Brown on Sunday, which the UI provided to reporters, UI Pres-

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Sam Hammond changes the Englert's marquee on Monday. The theater's schedule this week will include the Allman Betts Band today, the Tallest Man on Earth on Thursday, and Sarah Smarsh on Friday.

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well as a continuing focus on the economy and job creation. "While the votes fell short in the Legislature, I remain committed to getting this done," she said in an email statement from a spokesperson to *The Daily Iowan* regarding fellow voters' rights. Issues at the forefront of Reynolds' legislative agenda for the session included the creating a children's mental-health system, increasing funding to the state's K-12 system, and funding the Empower Rural Iowa Initiative — which was signed by Reynolds on April 24 and appropriated \$30 million for workforce housing credit and broadband infrastructure. The committee was co-chaired by Lt. Gov. Adam Gregg, who was appointed by Reynolds to put together recommendations after hearing from Iowans.



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Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds speaks during her first Condition of the State address in the State Capitol on Jan. 9, 2018. Reynolds became governor in May 2017.

"By significantly funding the broadband-grant program and doubling the rural set-aside in the workforce housing tax credit, we coupled two of Iowa's greatest

assets: our rural spirit and our people," Gregg said in a press release. Senate Majority Leader Jack Whitver, R-Ankeny, said he came into the session seek-

ing to make big changes in the Legislature. In his closing remarks to the Senate, he highlighted the \$89 million in funding the Legislature passed for K-12 education and

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a measure that would require employers to check potential employees' citizenship status using E-Verify.

"We did not want to just make small changes to a couple lines in an Iowa Code book," Whitver said during his closing remarks to the state Senate. "Instead, we focused on generational changes to bring more prosperity, growth, and opportunity to our state."

Senate Democratic Leader Janet Petersen, D-Des Moines, said she was glad to see the Legislature pass bills to create a children's mental-health system and open the doors for hemp production in the state, but she criticized Senate Republicans for "fixing things that weren't

broken" and not addressing other issues.

"While I am disappointed that we did not accomplish more good things for Iowans in 2019, I am hopeful we can work together to make bigger strides next session," Petersen said during her remarks to the Senate.

Other key legislation passed during the session include emergency refills for prescription drugs, the removal of licensing sanctions against individuals delinquent or defaulted on student loans, sports betting on college and professional sports, and free speech on college campuses. The Legislature will reconvene in January 2020 to finish the second half of the 88th Legislature.

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Harreld said that, before the reception, he approved the renaming of the Office of Diversity to the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the university's Operations Manual. "It isn't just about any one of those words," Harreld said. "It's about how we accept and

bring others into our community and how we learn from one another."

Having a diverse group of people in any setting strengthens the group by bringing in different ideas, he said. He hopes the expansion of the office will reinforce the need for different perspectives among leaders and groups in general, he said.

The 2018 campus-climate survey has shown gaps in the satisfaction of marginalized

'It's about how we accept and bring others into our community and how we learn from one another.'

— Bruce Harreld, UI president

groups on campus, with survey respondents who identify as being part of a marginalized population reporting lower

satisfaction with the campus environment, according to a report released earlier this month.

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crease in state support for fiscal 2020 to dedicate to resident-undergrad financial aid, but lawmakers passed a bill that would provide the regents with a \$12 million increase — falling \$6 million short of the request. The boost in funding — which awaits the final stamp of approval from Gov. Kim Reynolds' desk — is to be split

among the UI, ISU, and UNI whichever way the regents decide.

After delaying the first reading of 2019-20 academic year tuition rates pending budget clarity from lawmakers in Des Moines, the regents will first discuss the proposal on Wednesday, though it is unclear when Reynolds plans to sign the state-funding bill.

Regent President Mike Richards said at the April 18 meeting on the UI campus the regents held off on the

'We are not interested in setting tuition rates and then having to adjust them later. I recognize this delay in a first reading of tuition rates is frustrating for students and families.'

— Mike Richards, regent president

tuition discussion to avoid having to reset rates at a later time.

"We are not interested in

setting tuition rates and then having to adjust them later," Richards said. "... I recognize this delay in a first reading of

Survey respondents also reported facing discrimination for a number of facets of their identities, such as gender identity or expression, race and ethnicity, and political ideology.

However, Harreld said he sees these results as an opportunity for the campus to improve and focus on specific areas.

Shivers said her takeaway from the survey results, the listening sessions, and plan for the future is that the UI has a lot of opportunities to make

systemic changes for the campus, she said.

"That's going to require all of us to not only think different but be different," she said. "To challenge not only ourselves but the other people around us, to ... question, 'Why do we do that? What obstacles are we unintentionally putting in the way to a staff member, or a student, or a faculty member's success? What are things I can do as an individual to make the University of Iowa a success?'"

tuition rates is frustrating for students and families."

In the past, the regents have set tuition rates in the fall and then increased tuition above the rates initially set in the summer after the state did not fully fund the regents' requests for support. Lawmakers have also made midyear budget cuts to the universities, which have led the UI to halt some construction projects and prompted the university to close several centers and institutes.

In the 2018 legislative session, legislators boosted funding for the regents by \$8.3 million for fiscal 2019, though that did not make up for the \$11 million in funding lawmakers cut in the middle of fiscal 2018. State lawmakers trimmed more than \$30 million from the regents' appropriations over the course of two fiscal years.

Following a discussion of the tuition-rate proposal on Wednesday, the regents will take a final vote on tuition rates in June.

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ident Bruce Harreld laid out three paths to Modern Piping receiving the full settlement.

The first option was for the UI, Modern Piping, and the state Board of Regents to sign a settlement agreement to "compromise and settle, finally and fully" the dispute. Under this agreement, both parties would admit no liability and agree all contract terms and conditions are still in effect.

According to the resolution, Modern Piping would submit all final construction records, and the UI would pay the remaining settlement. Modern Piping would also agree to "defend, indemnify, and hold Iowa harmless from all claims, demands or liabilities."

The second option was for



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UI Stead Family Children's Hospital is shown on Sept. 25, 2018.

Modern Piping to agree to being a counterparty to an interest-bearing escrow account, where the UI will deposit the

full settlement. The funds would be released to Modern Piping once Heery approved the final construction docu-

ments, Harreld wrote.

The third option, which the UI executed Monday, was the default option if Modern

Piping did not respond to the email by the close of business Monday.

"The University of Iowa continues to seek conclusion to this matter and looks forward to Modern Piping following the same process they did with Hancher — submitting final construction documents to the design professional for approval — per the original contract," Harreld said in a statement.

Brown shared a Monday email exchange with Harreld sent at 4:48 p.m. in which he said Modern Piping reviewed the UI's offer to settle.

"Modern Piping will not agree to place the receipt of the payment in an unnamed third party (escrow) when the Arbitration Panel concluded Modern Piping fully completed the project and both the Johnson County District Court and Iowa Court of Appeals agreed," Brown wrote. "We have offered to provide

additional copies to the University of Iowa upon payment similar to other agreements made by the University of Iowa, or you can simply download the documents from iBuild."

Harreld initially publicized the allegations that the UI has not received the as-builts at the April 18 regents' meeting on the UI campus. He accused the contractor of "game playing" and urged Modern Piping to provide the records in dispute.

"This is not just a normal building," he said at the meeting. "There are patients in this. There are kids."

Since then, UI officials have continued — with confirmation from Heery — that they are not in possession of the construction records that would fulfill Modern Piping's contractual obligations. Modern Piping officials contend that the as-builts were provided to the UI no later than April

# Oral History Project preserves trans history

UI grad student Aiden Bettine plans to collect archives and interviews from the trans community in all 99 Iowa counties.

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An oral-history project can help preserve history of communities and serves as an important archive for those hoping to do research. A University of Iowa researcher hopes to create that kind of archive for the transgender community across the state with the Transgender Oral History Project of Iowa.

Aiden Bettine, a graduate student pursuing a Ph.D. in history and a master's in library/information science, created the Transgender Oral History Project to preserve, celebrate, and educate people on the history of transgender and gender-nonconforming people in the state.

"It is very much a community project driven from within the community. The goal is to build a digital archive of interviews and related materials or documents of ephemera that relates to the trans experience across the state of Iowa," he said. "It's got a big mission, to some extent."

Bettine said using oral history allows researchers to engage with history without visual distractions.

"I think there's something really empowering and beautiful about voice and what oral histories mean for a listener, or a researcher, or anybody engaging with the just the audio," he said. "I think we're so continually stimulated with different forms of media and different visualizations and constantly looking at things that there's something really personal about sitting and listening to an oral-history interview where you just become immersed in someone else's story and their life in a really particular way."

A grant from the UI Office of Outreach & Engagement allowed Bettine to build 25 kits to distribute to interviewers around the state to capture histories for the project.

The kits can allow greater accessibility and outreach for the project, he said, because not everyone has access to a device that can record quality audio.

Bettine plans to visit college campuses and public libraries around the state to find participants for the project as well as training interviewers. Bettine plans to have transgender and gender-nonconforming individuals be both the subject and the interviewers. He hopes to get oral histories from all 99 of the state's counties.

An important aspect of the project is the ability for participants to decide how much of their oral history will be made public and who will be able to listen to their interviews. UI Assistant Professor of library/information science Lindsay Mattock helped Bettine implement a system called Mukurtu to help manage and protect the digital archive.

"Aiden came to me thinking about using the platform for [the project]," Mattock said. "Those same affordances of the tool could carry over to protect the privacy and more sensitive information in the



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Graduate student Aiden Bettine demonstrates a Trans Oral History kit at the UI Main Library on Monday. The kits are distributed to various locations in Iowa so that transgender/nonbinary people can record their stories as part of the Oral History Project.

project and give participants in the project a little bit more control over their interviews."

Bettine modeled the project on similar projects in New York and Wisconsin. A.J. Lewis, a postdoc-

toral fellow at Grinnell College, was involved with the Transgender Oral History Project of New York City.

Lewis said Bettine has adapted the project to work in Iowa, where trans

communities can be less connected than in New York City.

"He's very attentive to the differences in context — the sort of emphasis on getting trans folks to take direction not just as inter-

view subjects but doing interviews," he said. "I think that's an important method to be bringing to the Iowa context. In particular, when there's not as expansive or connected a trans community here as there

is in New York City, one of the values of product, and not the process, is that it is a mechanism for developing new forms of cultural transmission. That work itself is bringing trans folk together."

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# Opinions

## COLUMN

### Marvel is propaganda

With *Avengers: Endgame's* release last week, military and government funding of the Marvel movies should be brought back into question.



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Steve Rogers, or Captain America, is the perfect boy next door. He is good American stock: blond, strong, and caring. He looks like the type of guy you'd be happy to have ask your daughter to prom. He cares about the people around him and is willing to lay down his life if it means protecting them.

He is also a weapon of the state, both in the Marvel universe and outside of it.

Propaganda films are generally associated with far-away and destitute countries, made by tyrannical governments in scary-sounding places such as Soviet Russia, but they have a long history of being funded in America. This shouldn't be surprising, of course — every government creates propaganda to sell their nation's morals and values. But, because we associate America so strongly

with ideals of freedom and democracy, it is often hard to admit that governments and political powers have strong hands on the mass media we happily enjoy and flock to in the hundreds of thousands.

The Pentagon is known for funding commercial films. From clearly influenced movies such as *Top Gun* and *Air Force One* to more surprising ones such as *Karate Kid II*, the Pentagon has financially aided hundreds of films in some manner, according to records provided to Marshall University communication studies Professor Stephen Underhill by the Pentagon. This includes the entire *Captain America* and *Iron Man* franchises. Financial partnerships can be as simple as exchanging equipment access for positive messages in the films, which is clear in films such as *Captain America*, which is entirely predicated on the importance of patriotism and fealty.

Supporting the Marvel franchise does not turn people into puppets of the state, but it is something to keep in mind when watching the films. *Avengers: Endgame* debuted last week and raked in an impressive \$1.2 billion

globally. The 22 films in the Marvel Cinematic Universe have made \$19.9 billion, according to the Marvel website. We spend more money on this series than we have on anything in mass media.

State propaganda doesn't always look like what we expect. It is not mindless patriotism and demonstrations. Sometimes propaganda looks like a man in tights flying through the sky, fighting off criminals and intergalactic aliens.

State-funded film and television inundate our cultural consciousness. Comedy shows such as *Brooklyn Nine-Nine* and *Parks and Recreation* feed into a pro-government, pro-police mindset, even if they are praised for being progressive in their social politics. The Pentagon explicitly has people read scripts to judge whether or not they will be funded, which relies on how supportive the scripts are of the American government and its various projects.

We give so much of our time and energy to shows and films such as the Marvel franchise without critically examining what we are picking up and internalizing from their content. Film theorists have long associated movies such as *Silence of the Lambs* and our fascination with serial killers as a similar distraction from real violence, such as imperial violence in Iraq. Similarly, the cultural worship of the Marvel Cinematic Universe without any thought as to what it says closes our eyes to violence abroad and at home.

Enjoying Marvel movies is not inherently wrong, but it is a concerning cultural phenomenon. Being informed viewers and consumers is becoming especially critical in the digital age, and knowing how your favorite movies were created is an essential part of that.



Marvel Studios/TNS

Chris Evans as Captain America/Steve Rogers in the film *Avengers: Endgame*.

## COLUMN

### The growth of working women is stunted by structural barriers

Women are still put in a position of less monetary and career success.



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Industries and greedy professions — ones that deal with numbers and money, such as finance, law, and consulting — are stunting the growth of college-educated women in the workforce, according to a *New York Times* article. Despite their ample experience and expertise, women's promotion on the job continues to be unfairly curtailed by the demanding and exhaustive round-the-clock availability employees are expected to have now. Not only is shift work — working after the normal work hours of 9 a.m. to 5

p.m. — detrimental to women's growth in the workforce, it also puts them at risk for breast cancer and is detrimental to the overall productivity of employees.

"Sleep deprivation is associated with a higher mortality risk and productivity losses at work," according to a 2016 report by the Rand Corp., a non-profit research organization funded by various government agencies and other foundations. Economic modeling of data from five countries that are part of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, an inter-governmental organization, "found that individuals who sleep fewer than six hours a night on average have a 13 percent higher mortality risk than people who sleep at least seven hours."

Think about that for a minute. The increasing availability of workers to continue working after hours via tech-

nology and pressure to rise in the industry increases the chance that they will die earlier in life.

On some level, I get it. I work in the journalism industry — I have no choice but to continuously stay updated in the 24-hour news cycle to accurately write my columns with a well-informed understanding of the very things

'The workforce is not only sexist, it doesn't allow women to progress in their careers even though they're the most prepared coming out of college.'

I comment on. However, it shouldn't come at the cost of insufficient sleep as a "public-health problem," as defined by the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, with more than one-third of American adults not getting enough sleep on a regular basis to properly function.

## POINT/COUNTERPOINT

### What should be done about college tuition?

Is Elizabeth Warren on the right track with her tuition-free plan or has she placed too much emphasis on the need for a college degree?



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**Students need a plan like Warren's for the future**

The college-payment plan proposed by Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., has two parts, so I'll briefly address both of them.

First, the plan aims to make public college tuition-free. This idea sure sounds radical — especially in the United States, where we've slapped a market on everything — but it's not crazy. It was at one point radical for any schools to be public, but today, it's generally agreed upon that K-12 education is a good thing for the state to provide. (Yes, I know there are some people against public schools but that's not the point).

A standard K-12 education isn't cutting it anymore. For most of us, some sort of college is needed to be successful. And for most of us, it's not affordable anymore. Average tuition has risen nearly 500



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**Warren is distracting us with personal irresponsibility**

Student-debt cancellation, proposed by Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, has been among the most popular platform of Democratic candidates interviewed in last week's CNN Democratic town hall.

And while students support this idea (the idea that they should not have to pay back the money they promised to pay back), we, as a nation, have lost sight of where the

For women in particular, shift work plays a detrimental role in their lives. Not only is it classified as a carcinogen and increases the risk of breast cancer, according to the World Health

Organization, but it unfairly forces women in traditional households to take a step back to ensure things run smoothly at home for children. Couples with children often grant men the privilege to continue the growth of their career, while women are coerced into flatlining



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Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., address a crowd of voters at CSPS Hall in Cedar Rapids. The event was hosted by the Linn Phoenix Club.

percent the rate of inflation since 1985, according to the website Inflation Data. The world needs more college students, but fewer can even think about going.

Do we need four-year college to be completely free as Warren proposes? Maybe not, but it's definitely the direction in which we need to go. Perhaps it comes down to making two-year community college free and drastically cutting the price tag at four-year institutions.

The second part of Warren's plan is debt cancellation. Basically, for those of us saddled with huge amounts of debt, our decades-long burden would be lifted.

student-debt crisis originated in the first place.

Increasing enrollment in higher education has been cited as a reason for skyrocketing tuition. This is an easier area to tackle in regards to higher education, rather than federal and state funding, which have to maneuver around inflation costs in order to accomplish real work.

Many higher-education studies mention that baby boomers once paid their student debt off with earnings from summer jobs. Subsidies, such as the federal Pell Grant created in 1972 to support students with high financial need, now exist yet are still unable to sufficiently bring down the cost of college for many.

According to the U.S. Education Department, there were 5.1 million more students entering college in 2017 compared with 2000. With

their careers to meet their children's needs.

Despite woman having similar or better educational backgrounds, studies of women compared with men in the same industry show men excel monetarily later in their careers simply because of the toxic expectation that people work around the clock in this age of modernity and technological advancement.

"There has always been a pay gap between mothers and fathers, but it would be 15 percent smaller today if the financial returns to long hours hadn't increased," according to the *Times* article. "Younger men say they want more equal partnerships and more involvement in family life, research shows. Women are outperforming men in school, but

If we're so into markets and stimulating the economy, slashing student-loan debt would free up tons of capital. Don't think of debt cancellation as just another lefty promise for new, free stuff. Think of it as a citizen bailout.

Now, do I expect either of these policies to be enacted? Not really — at least not in their current state. However, they are helpful for reframing the conversation around college costs and what kind of country we want to be. You don't have to sign on for everything Warren says to know that at least some action is necessary for a better America.

increased federal support to students, the more students who enter college, the more those dollars have to be spread around per student.

Candidates vying to attract younger voters should not lure them by promoting personal irresponsibility but rather by promoting trade and vocational schools, which are in need of workers and already funded by hefty numbers of scholarships.

Promising a free education from kindergarten to college would undoubtedly interest many students, but would also take them away from opportunities to earn more money with only a few years of training for a trade skill while saving taxpayer dollars. Telling all students that they deserve a free college education not only affects taxpayers but distracts individuals from professions that better suit them.

employers are losing out on their talents. And people increasingly say they are fed up with working so much."

The workforce is not only sexist, it doesn't allow women to progress in their careers even though they're the most prepared coming out of college. The workforce needs to stop demanding that people of any gender work around the clock. The trend is unhealthy and disrupts any sort of personal or familial life a person can have.

"Women don't step back from work because they have rich husbands," Harvard economist Claudia Goldin said in an interview with the *Times*. "They have rich husbands because they step back from work."

She couldn't be more right.

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# New Honors official gives program fresh perspective

Emily Hill arrived here a little more than three weeks ago. She has made her home in the Blank Honors Center as the new assistant director of Honors at Iowa.

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Illustrations of literary figures adorn her door, rugs, photos, and plants color her office. After just three weeks, new Honors at Iowa Assistant Director Emily Hill has made her home at the UI and in Iowa City.

Hill followed Bob Kirby, Honors at Iowa assistant director for nearly two decades, after he left to become full-time director of the Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates in February. While Kirby's knowledge will be missed, Honors looks forward to a fresh perspective, Honors Director Art Spisak said.

"Everyone is excited because she's got a great attitude, she's ready to learn, and she brings new eyes and a fresh perspective on things," he said. "One of the things I noticed during the interview process is she is extremely student-centered. Her heart is in the right place."

The University of North Dakota is Hill's alma mater and where she was introduced to honors. During her undergraduate studies, she became close with the Honors staff and faculty there. As an eager, young student dreaming of law school, the Honors staff gave her an outlet to find her true passion: literature and writing.

Hill continued her graduate education at North Dakota, earning a master's in English. She was able to teach for a semester in Norway and fell in love with life abroad. She hopes to bring her passion for travel to the UI by creating more study-abroad opportunities for students through Honors in the future.

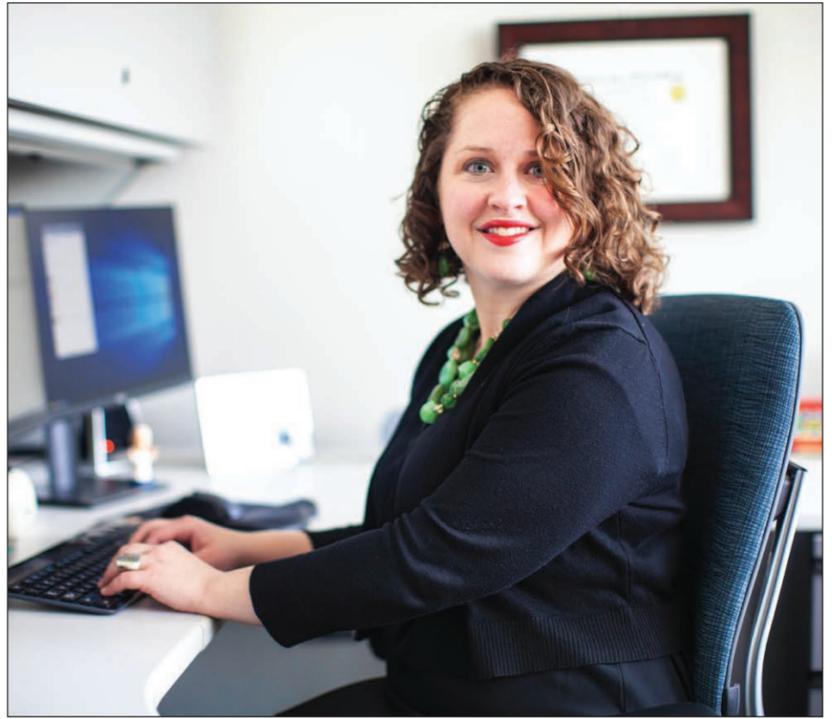
In addition to study abroad, she has begun brainstorming ways to continue improving the program. She hopes to spark more Honors-specific classes, including those that cover general-education requirements.

Hill started her career in honors at North Dakota. She was an instructor and worked with student-engagement

activities and recruitment. Last year, she moved to the University of Idaho's Honors Program as a student-engagement coordinator. She began searching for something more, and more was the UI, she said.

emphasis on community. I've found in my very short time here that students are connected to each other."

While learning the ropes here, Hill also works on her Ph.D. dissertation in edu-



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Emily Hill, the UI's newly appointed Honors Program assistant director, sits in her office on April 25.

'Even though it's a large school, I feel like there is an emphasis on community.'

— Emily Hill, Honors Program assistant director

"I was looking for the next step in my career. The UI is such a great school, and there's longevity in this program that speaks volumes about how it's valued and continues to be valued by the community, university, and the state," Hill said. "Even though it's a large school, I feel like there is an

emphas on community. I've found in my very short time here that students are connected to each other."

UI. "I think her focus in her dissertation is something that is really important and relevant to our population," said Emily Johnson, the Honors director of records and enrollment.

Hill is settling in to Iowa City life well, she said. As an arts lover, she admires the culture-filled streets she gets to walk every day. Being from North Dakota, she understands Midwestern nice, but Iowa nice is different, she said.

"People go out of their way to help you," Hill said. "It's a very friendly place; I really adore it."

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# BASEBALL

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season. He ranks seventh on the team in hits (27) with nearly one-fifth of them coming in the past three games. His 19 RBIs rank fourth on the team.

## As a whole, Iowa connected for 16 hits in Game 2 against Ohio State

Adreon had himself a day, but he wasn't the only Hawkeye heating up at the plate. Austin Martin and Izaya Fullard each finished with 3 hits in the win.

It was Martin's sixth game with at least 3 hits. His season-high sits at 4, which he recorded against Illinois State on April 3. Counting

the final game against Ohio State, Martin has notched at least 1 hit in seven of his past nine outings.

Meanwhile, April 27 marked just the second time Fullard had recorded a 3-hit performance, with his first coming against Chicago State on March 20. His performance against Ohio State was the second conference series in a row in which he recorded a multi-hit game.

Including Adreon, Martin, and Fullard, eight Hawkeyes notched at least 1 hit in Game Two.

"We're playing pretty good baseball right now, and we're catching some breaks," head coach Rick Heller said in a release. "We're getting some two-out hits. It feels good. We labored a good chunk of the season where runs were tough to come by, and we weren't getting

the two-out hit with guys making plays against us. It's turned our way."

## The last time Iowa won five-straight series? 2015

Iowa baseball hasn't won five or more series in a row since the 2015 season, when the Hawkeyes won eight straight in the regular season.

The 2019 squad's streak consists of series victories over Illinois, Rutgers, Purdue, No. 30 Nebraska, and Ohio State.

In 2015, the eight-series stretch consisted of Kansas, Indiana, Purdue, Maryland, Northwestern, Nebraska, Michigan, and Minnesota. That season, the Hawkeyes finished with a 41-18 record and qualified for an NCAA regional.



Iowa's Zeb Adreon puts out Rutgers' Peter Serruto at Banks Field on April 7. The Hawkeyes defeated the Scarlet Knights, 9-5.

# EASLEY

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that's entirely possible for him, given that Buffalo didn't address its receiver needs in the draft and Easley's production in college.

In his two years at Iowa, Easley demonstrated fluid route-running, exceptional quickness, and soft hands that translate to a lot of easy — and difficult — receptions.

Easley led the Hawkeyes with 51 receptions for 530 yards to go along with 4 touchdowns in his first year in the Black and Gold.

In 2018, he posted almost identical numbers, hauling in 52 passes for 494 yards and 5 scores. However, his performance went under the radar, as T.J. Hockenson and Noah Fant stole the spotlight with incredible seasons at tight end.

Standing 5-11 and weighing 205 pounds, Easley brings a Julian Edelman-like presence to the slot. His shiftness and quickness play a big role in his ability to create separation in the slot.

He showed it in the Outback Bowl against a Mississippi State defense that boasted three first-round NFL Draft picks. In the bowl

win, Easley caught 8 passes for a career-high 104 yards and 2 touchdowns. Pretty good for a guy whose family first thought his college football career would be as a kicker.

This isn't the first time Easley has been a long shot. He's used to that role.

Instead of becoming a college kicker, Easley took his talents to Council Bluffs, where he joined Iowa Western. Easley racked up 954 yards in his sophomore season as a Reiver — the second-most in a single season in school history — en route to first-team NJCAA All-American honors.

Even after that perfor-

mance, he didn't earn a scholarship. Easley came to the Hawkeyes as a preferred walk-on before earning that ever-elusive scholarship by becoming the team's leading receiver.

Easley has shown he has the ability to produce at the next level. After all, the NFL is a passing league, and there are always spots for selfless, reliable slot receivers.

That's what Easley brings to the Bills. To doubt him again would be foolish. But even so, Easley's ready to prove the doubters wrong once again, this time in Buffalo.

# ROWING

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cross-country team, she joined Iowa rowing.

The Cedar Rapids native set up a meeting with head coach Andrew Carter. After the meeting concluded, Koenigsfeld left and called right back. She was in.

Rowing gives Koenigsfeld the team aspect of sports that cross-country couldn't quite give her, she said.

"Cross-country is a very individual sport as far as sports go," she said. "You do have your team, and your teammates do rack up a certain amount of points throughout the race, but primarily, you are thinking about yourself and how you can do better yourself to then better your team. But with rowing, it's

100 percent team-oriented.

"Everything you do has to be exact with the people in front of you and the people behind you. I think something that's so team-oriented like that, really holds people accountable and makes the really, really difficult times more enjoyable."

Now, in her second year of rowing, Koenigsfeld has been invited to the U23 national-team training camp for a chance to get a spot on the squad.

When she joined rowing, she jumped right into it. With her success, rowing and school — she majors in nursing — became her life.

"After the adjustment, I focused on just school and just rowing, and it made things a lot more enjoyable," Koenigsfeld said. "With that, I have worked really hard, and so I'm not particularly

astounded or shocked that I got invited just because I was there for every moment of all the work that I put in to get there. But when you think about it from an outside perspective, it does look kind of crazy. Two years ago, I didn't even know how to row, but it feels like I've been doing it for a while. I'm not particularly shocked, but excited is what I can really say I feel about it."

Before the national camp, though, she and the Hawkeyes will turn their focus as a team to the postseason.

"[The team aspect is] why I ended up liking rowing more than cross-country," Koenigsfeld said. "It really keeps you accountable and focused, when it's all together and it works well, it makes that moment even better because you can share it with a lot of people."

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# Softball needs rebound against Panthers

Iowa softball will take on Northern Iowa today and try to bounce back from a disappointing weekend.



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Iowa's Abby Lien catches a throw too late for the putout against Nebraska at Pearl Field on April 24. The Hawkeyes lost, 7-5.

BY JORDAN ZUNIGA  
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Iowa softball is coming off arguably its most disappointing weekend series of the season — it was outscored 23-1 against Minnesota in a three-game set in Minneapolis.

A series score like that is pretty indicative of one team's total dominance over the other, and that was certainly the case. Not only did Iowa manage just 1 run, it was also held to just 7 hits, and the Hawkeyes also struck out 24

times. It's easy to get discouraged after such a performance, but the Hawkeyes will have to quickly regain their composure as they get set to go against Northern Iowa today in Cedar Falls.

First pitch for the game is scheduled for 5 p.m., and the Hawkeyes will need to get some bats on the ball if they hope to win.

The performance against Minnesota was pretty indicative of how frigid the Iowa bats have been since Big Ten play began,

but they have shown some sparks that are promising.

One has been Abby Lien, a freshman from Apple Valley, Minnesota.

While she might sit all the way down at ninth in batting average on the team at .204, she has made significant strides since conference play began.

In Big Ten play, Lien leads the Hawkeyes with a .265 average and also leads the team in RBIs in conference play with 7.

She has proven to be one of the Hawkeyes' most consistent

power hitters as well — she's tied with DoniRae Mayhew for the team lead in homers with 5. She also ranks second on the team with a .426 slugging percentage.

While Lien managed only 1 hit in 6 at-bats against Minnesota, it was a timely one. She would eventually come around to score the Hawkeyes' lone run of the weekend.

She was knocked in by another hot Hawkeye batter, Lea Thompson.

"Lea Thompson did a great

job at the plate and made some things happen," Iowa head coach Renee Gillispie said. "Lea is a spark plug for us, and we need a little more of that. Abby Lien did a great job at the plate and behind the plate."

Thompson isn't an everyday player, but she has got some solid playing time this season as a junior.

A rough start taints her batting average it's currently .234 but she has reached base in five of her last six games and hit .400 during that span.

With a little more than a few weeks of a snow-free Iowa City, the softball season is coming down to the wire. After Northern Iowa, Iowa will conclude the regular season with a three-game series at Pearl Field against Ohio State.

"We have UNI on Tuesday," Gillispie said. "Having Ohio State at home with our home crowd is going to be fantastic. We want our fans to come out, be loud, and get our girls going. It's going to be a good weekend."

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## HAWKEYE UPDATES

### Adreon, Sher pick up Big Ten honors

Iowa baseball's Zeb Adreon earned Big Ten Player of the Week honors, and Brendan Sher scooped up Big Ten Freshman of the Week, the conference announced Monday.

Both players helped the Hawkeyes to a 3-1 with a midweek win over Milwaukee on April 23 and two victories over Ohio State to take their fifth-straight conference series. Adreon hit a double in all three games against the Buckeyes and finished the week 5-for-9 with 5 RBIs and 3 runs scored. He hit his first-career home run in the top of the ninth in Iowa's 4-2 win to open the series against Ohio State.

The award was Iowa's first Player of the Week honor since Jake Adams earned it in 2017.

Sher went 6-for-15 on the week with a .667 slugging percentage in four-straight starts. He recorded the first multi-hit game of his career against Milwaukee, going 3-for-5 with a double and 2 runs scored. He also blasted his first dinger in Iowa's series-opening win against Ohio State. He went 2-for-4 with another RBI in Game 2.

Robert Neustrom was the last Hawkeye to earn the honor, picking it up in 2016.

### Booker promoted to Triple A Charlotte

Former Hawkeye outfielder Joel Booker is one step away from the majors after getting promoted to the Triple A Charlotte Knights in the Chicago White Sox organization.

Booker left the Double A Birmingham Barons with a .351 average, which led the Southern League through 20 games. He also knocked in 9 RBIs, scored 7 runs, and stole 8 bases.

Splitting time between Birmingham and Advanced A Winston-Salem in 2018, Booker hit .279 with 7 homers and 38 RBIs. He posted a .360 on-base percentage and a .758 OPS, while swiping 26 bags as well.

A 22nd-round pick of the White Sox in 2016, Booker finished his senior season at Iowa with a .370 average, 5 dingers, and 37 RBIs on his way to earning first-team All-Big Ten honors.

Pitcher Matt Dermody was the last former Hawkeye to appear in the show, making his debut in 2016.

### Iowa minor league update (Entering Tuesday)

- **Jake Adams**, Advanced A Fayetteville – .297 BA, 20 RBIs, 10 R's, 4 HRs
- **Nick Allgeyer**, Advanced A Dunedin – 3-1, 1.01 ERA, 24 K's, 26.2 IP
- **Nick Gallagher**, Advanced A Lynchburg – 1-0, 2.75 ERA, 26 K's, 19.2 IP
- **Mason McCoy**, Advanced A Frederick – .352 BA, 15 RBIs, 13 R's, 1 HR
- **Robert Neustrom**, Class A Delmarva – .309 BA, 14 RBIs, 14 R's, 3 HRs, 5 SBs

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

**"Two years ago, I didn't even know how to row, but it feels like I've been doing it for a while."**



Iowa rower Hunter Koenigsfeld on earning an invitation to the U23 national team training camp

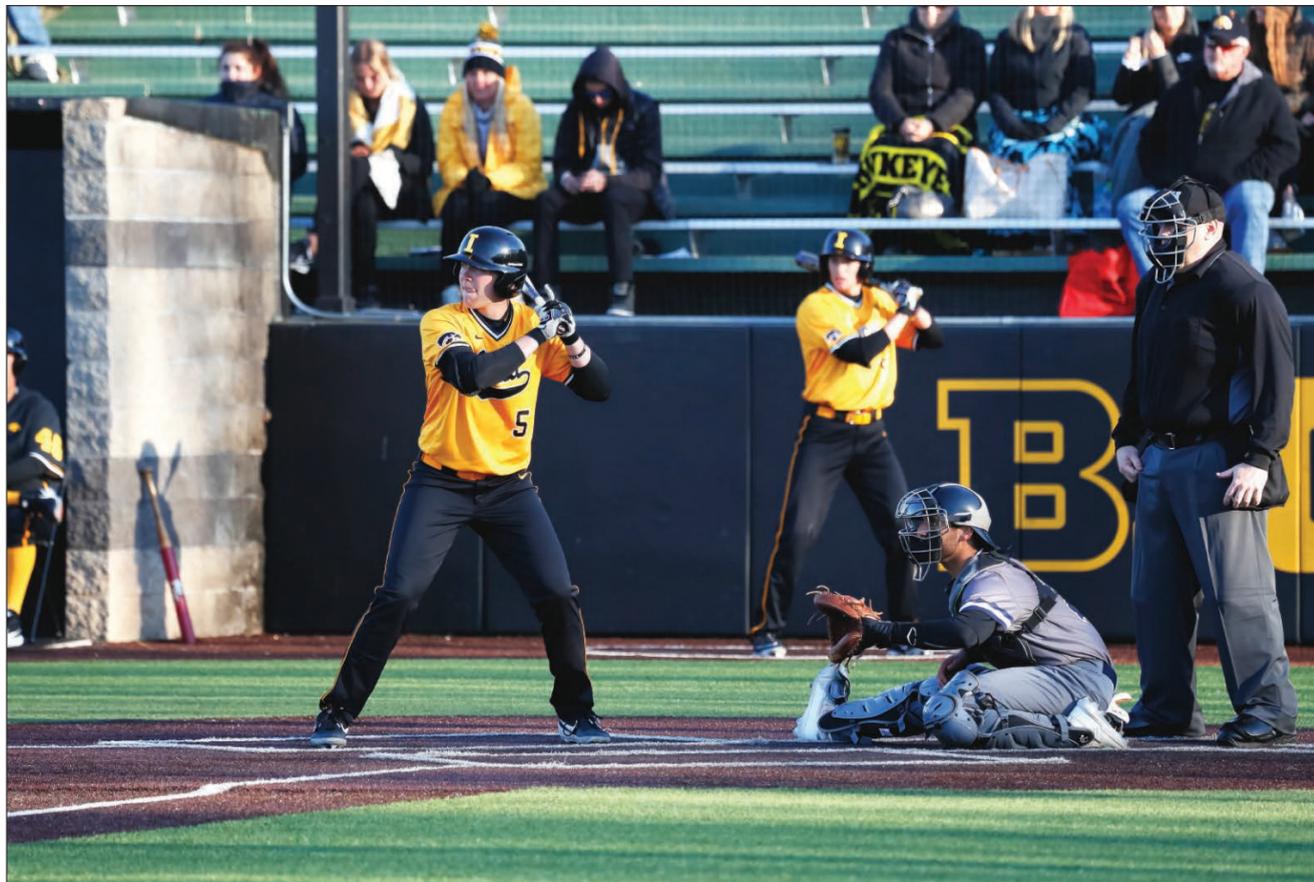
## STAT OF THE DAY

Nick Easley is the only Iowa player to record at least 50 receptions in each of the past two seasons.

**50** receptions

# Adreon at center of hot Hawkeye bats

Zeb Adreon stepped up, and so did the rest of the Hawkeye offense in the wins against Ohio State this past weekend.



David Harmantas/The Daily Iowan

Iowa's Zeb Adreon awaits a pitch against Clarke on April 2 at Banks Field. The Hawkeyes defeated the Pride, 3-2.

BY ADAM HENSLEY  
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Winner of six of its last eight games, Iowa baseball will host Western Illinois today at Banks Field in another midweek contest.

The Leathernecks (16-25) have lost two straight and six of their last eight matchups. Meanwhile, the Hawkeyes (26-16) enter the game fresh off a series win over Ohio State.

The series win over the Buckeyes marked the first against them since 2011, and it was Iowa's

fifth-straight series victory in conference play this season after starting the season 0-3 in the Big Ten.

### After going 0-for-6 in two games prior to Ohio State, Zeb Adreon went 5-for-7 against the Buckeyes

Adreon finished 0-for-4 in Iowa's final game to Nebraska (a loss) and 0-for-2 in a midweek game with Milwaukee (a victory), then went off against Ohio State.

In the series' first contest, he went 2-for-3 with a pair of RBIs in the Hawkeyes' 4-2 victory. He followed that performance by going 2-for-2 with 3 RBIs on April 27 in the Hawkeyes' second win (11-4). It was the third time that Adreon has finished a game with 3 or more RBIs in his Hawkeye career.

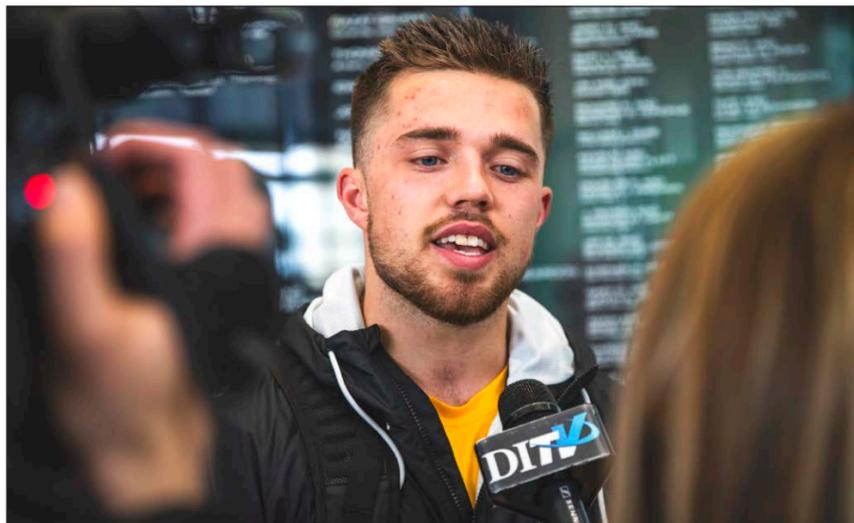
He leads the Hawkeyes with a .321 batting average, appearing in 35 of Iowa's 42 games this

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## COLUMN

# New team, same underdog

Nick Easley has plenty of experience being an underdog. Now is his chance to prove he belongs.



Katina Zentz/The Daily Iowan

Iowa wide receiver Nick Easley talks to the media during Pro Day at the Football Performance Center on March 25.

BY PETE RUDEN  
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Just four years ago, Nick Easley didn't look like he would ever be an NFL wide receiver.

Even after a record-setting season at Newton High, Easley only received interest from NAIA and Division-3 programs, and Missouri Western even recruited him as a kicker and punter.

Fast forward to April, and Easley has signed an undrafted free-agent deal with the Buffalo Bills. And he has a good shot at making the 53-

man roster come September.

Buffalo's depth chart includes Zay Jones and John Brown, but neither one topped 60 receptions or 720 receiving yards. Throw Robert Foster in there, and while they are decent pieces, neither one is a stand-alone playmaker.

The Bills also pulled Cole Beasley from the Dallas Cowboys in the offseason, agreeing to a hefty four-year, \$29 million contract — a nice pull for the former undrafted free agent.

That's the path Easley wants, and it's a path

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# Rowing teamwork sweeps up Hawkeye runner

Junior Hunter Koenigsfeld dropped one college sport and joined another, and it was a good change — for herself and the Iowa rowing team.

BY SARAH ALTEMEIER  
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The Iowa rowing team's 1 Varsity 8 boat has demonstrated it's a force, and Hunter Koenigsfeld has played a key role.

Koenigsfeld wasn't always a member of the Hawkeye rowing squad, though. The junior ran cross-country and track in high school and originally wanted to continue running in college. She walked on to the Hawkeye cross-country team in 2016.

But the sport didn't turn out to be her thing.

In February of her freshman year, Koenigsfeld quit the cross-country team. After leaving the program, the Hawkeye didn't stop being active. She woke up at 5 a.m. every day to either lift or swim.

She knew she wanted to do something else. Just two short months after leaving the



Koenigsfeld

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