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# EDUCATION NOTES - East and North areas

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## Rockwall isd

### Rockwall offers ESL classes for adults

Rockwall ISD will offer English as a Second Language courses for adults, including GED preparation and computer literacy. The district will offer both daytime and evening courses at a variety of campuses. Register for ESL classes, which cost \$20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Amanda Rochell Elementary, 899 Rochell Road. 972-772-2073.

## University News

### Collin College hosts continuing education

Collin College Continuing Education will host a free open house for those interested in computer/technology courses and certificate programs from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Courtyard Center, 4800 Preston Park Blvd. in Plano. Featured programs will include Web/graphic design, Oracle DBA certification, mainframe computing, programming courses and Cisco networking.

### UNT presents free Argentine workshops

The University of North Texas will host free Argentine music workshops and concerts Thursday through Aug. 30. Visit [www.music.unt.edu](http://www.music.unt.edu) for a complete schedule.

UNT will also hold an opening ceremony for its Veterans Center from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday in Suite 320 of the

University Union, 1155 Union Circle. The center, which will help support student veterans, will be open from noon to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and noon to 5 p.m. Friday.

#### UD students present art exhibit at gallery

University of Dallas graduate students John Alexander Taylor and Haylee Ryan Yale will present an art show at Mokah Art Gallery, 2803 Taylor St. in Dallas. The exhibit runs through Sept. 12, and an artists' reception will be 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday. The gallery is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays or by appointment. Visit [www.mokahcoffeebar.com](http://www.mokahcoffeebar.com).

#### UTA students

##### earn scholarships

Peter Kroll, University of Texas at Arlington assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, will receive a four-year \$281,547 grant from the National Science Foundation. He will, with Rishi Raj of the University of Colorado at Boulder, make new compounds with thermodynamic stability above 1500 degrees Celsius.

#### UNT professor receives grant for chips project

The National Science Foundation has given University of North Texas' Saraju Mohanty, an assistant professor of computer science and engineering, a three-year \$250,000 grant. Mohanty is working with Elias Kougiannos, an assistant professor in engineering technology, to improve electronic chips' energy efficiency.