Update from President Murray

Monday, August 17, 2020

Find out about ways to connect with the Whitman community, how to support academic and life work in the fall 2020 online information center.

Ask more Information Center

Announcements

Whitman Today Returns to Daily Publication

Beginning today, Whitman Today returns to Monday-Friday publication.

Submissions are welcome! If you have a professional or personal accomplishment to celebrate, an event to publicize or other content to share with the Whitman community, email whitmantoday@whitman.edu. Submissions should be 125 words or less. The deadline for submissions is noon for the following day’s newsletter, though submissions may be held for a later date according to space and editorial needs.

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Now it’s your time to help..."Whitman Today" is produced by the Office of Communications and is emailed Monday-Friday to Whitman students, faculty and staff, and alumni. Have a virtual event you’d like to share with campus? Email the details to whitmantoday@whitman.edu. Have questions about Whitman’s return-to-work and planning task force? Ask questions about Whitman’s return-to-work and planning task force.

Questions of the Week

Every Monday, we’ll bring you new questions for you to ponder. Click your answer from the options below, then check back next week to see how the community responded. Here’s today’s question:

What is your favorite Whitman memory?

1. All set up and ready to go.
2. In need of a little organization, but it’ll be fine.
3. 99% figured it out.
4. Going to be a mobile space, depending on the day.
5. Taking a deep breath and moving forward.

From the Coronavirus Task Force

COVID-19 Testing FAQs

More than 50% of the Whitman community are signed up for testing. This week we have a mobile lab coming to campus. Specific dates and times will be announced in the coming days.

Child Care Help for the Fall Semester

To help meet some of the needs that many families are facing, the Whitman community is providing child care options for students. We are looking for members of the Whitman community who are interested in helping to run a childcare center on campus this fall. Current plans are for childcare on campus to be free of charge for students who have been on campus for 3 years or more and are working in the field of child development. Additional help will be needed in terms of staff and volunteers, so stay tuned for more info.

Happening This Week

MONDAY, AUG. 17
6 p.m.

Getting to Know... MINDY BEARNGER ’20 (Distinction in Chemistry)

Tuesday, Aug. 18
8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Deadline to Submit Application for On Campus Housing

Wednesday, Aug. 19-Saturday, Aug. 22
MONDAY, AUG. 17
8 a.m.

New Director of Security Hired

After a national search for the new director of security, we are pleased to announce that Stephen Davis will join the Whitman community on Aug. 28, 2020. Davis has a long and distinguished career that includes service in the U.S. Coast Guard and other agencies. He holds a bachelor’s degree in law and political science and a master’s degree in public policy from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Prior to coming to Whitman College, he spent 10 years as a police officer in New Jersey. Davis has in-depth experience in emergency management and was instrumental in New Jersey’s response to Hurricane Sandy. If you have questions about Whitman’s return-to-work and planning task force, ask questions about Whitman’s return-to-work and planning task force.

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MINDY BEARNGER ’20 (Distinction in Chemistry)

Major: Chemistry, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Bachelor’s advisor: Ashley Blakely

Bearinger is the first student at Whitman to earn a distinction in chemistry. As a chemistry major, she worked extensively with chemistry professor Professor Thomas Witherspoon for an open office hour on Zoom.

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