



Whitman Today

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The Beauty of Local Businesses Hiring Whitman Students



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As Whitman College students return to campus this week, many have more on their minds than registering for classes or meeting their roommate: They are also on the hunt for jobs.

"Whitman students are eager to reengage with the community, and we have seen an increase in students expressing interest in working in the community," said Karri Mickelson, assistant director of financial aid.

At more than 500 strong, the class of 2025 is record size for Whitman. Across all class years, about 700 students are eligible for work-study. This presents a unique opportunity for local employers who may be feeling the effects of the nationwide labor shortage, and for students eager to earn a paycheck.

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Daily COVID Update

Baseline COVID-19 Testing

Coronavirus testing for the entire Whitman community continues today. Employees and any returning students already in town should come to Cordiner between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. for their Round 1 test. **Remember not to eat, drink, chew gum or brush your teeth for 30 minutes prior to coming for your test or use mouthwash for two hours prior to your test.** [Review the schedule and instructions for more details.](#)

Campus Vaccination Update



We are so close to our goal of being a fully vaccinated campus! As of today, 95% of students and 93% of employees have completed the full vaccination course, totaling 95% of our campus community.

Announcements

Campus Post Office Closed Today

The Reid Campus Center Post Office window will be closed until Wednesday as post office staff prepares for move-in day. Campus deliveries will take place as normal.

First-Ever Whitman Language Census Tomorrow

Tomorrow Whitman's first-ever language census will be offered to students as they come through Reid Campus Center for the annual student check in. This language census will be conducted by Adeline Rother, senior adjunct assistant professor of general studies and composition, and junior Sueli Gwiazdowski as part of their faculty-student research on the pedagogical value of multilingualism, translation as an accommodation and support of English Second Language students. The census will be administered through a Google Form that will take roughly five minutes to complete. Rother and Gwiazdowski hope to share the information gathered with the community in order to show the incredible diversity of languages spoken or studied at Whitman.

Happening Today

TUESDAY

- all day **International Student Orientation**
- 8 a.m.-3 p.m. [Baseline COVID-19 Testing](#)
For employees, returning students and people with vaccination exemptions. At Cordiner Hall.
- 1 p.m. [Staff and Faculty Development Program: Accessibility Issues in Course Materials](#)
Antonia Keithahn from the ARC and Emily Pearson and Kun Lin from Penrose Library will be introducing common accessibility issues in course materials, how you can fix them, and how the ARC and Library can assist in checking accessibility of materials, remediating resources, and finding new versions. The workshop will give you plenty of time to work on materials already in your canvas pages and on your syllabi so you can ensure your class is more accessible. On Zoom.

[Whitman Events Calendar](#)

Have an event you'd like to share with campus? Submit the information to the [Events Calendar](#).

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