When the first Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines began arriving at Walla Walla Community College biological sciences faculty and students worked through the night to be ready to distribute them.

One major need was an ultra-low temperature freezer to store the vaccines. Providence St. Mary Medical Center ordered such a freezer and implemented a plan to ensure that Walla Walla Community College received it. The day the freezer arrived, coordination with Whitman College and with the Frank H. Ogawa Center at the University of California, Berkeley, soon found out it could be delivered before the end of January.

Two Whitman College biology professors hope to study the problem.

Contact Whitman Wider World Center.

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**Announcements**

**What Are You Doing Next Week?**

The Whitman Office of Communications has planned a lot of great activities to entertain fun and connection, while remaining some, e.g. gatherings and all those COVID-19 rules. Whether you’re a new student coming to Whitman for the first time or a senior living off campus there are plenty of opportunities for you. The many online activities are also a great way for students not coming to campus this spring to participate virtually with their classmates and friends.

**Cleveland Commons and Jewett Cafe Operations**

Cleveland Commons will be open and serving 12 a.m.-10 p.m. beginning Jan. 18 with a hot line available for lunch and dinner.

During winter break, dining services will be available only for Whitman students with priority given to students who live on campus. After we entered the COVID-19 community in the first two weeks, we hope to offer more services to faculty and staff as well. Cleveland Commons and a new chef’s table will be closed to the Walla Walla community until further notice.

Keep an eye out for the new Bon Appetit app, which will be launched in the first few weeks. We hope to offer grab & go services to faculty and staff as well. Cleveland Commons and a new chef’s table will be closed to the Walla Walla community until further notice.

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**Noteworthy**

David Article Published

Anahit Navasaryan, assistant professor of politics, published the article “Paradise as Decolonization: Ali Shariati’s Islamic Lawgiver” in SAGE Journals. This article revises the Iranian polymath Ali Shariati’s most controversial lectures and his theory of the paradox of politics as decolonization.

Submissions of a Personal or Professional Achievement

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**Happening Today**

**THURSDAY, JAN. 14**

7 a.m. - 9 a.m. 
**COVID-19 Vaccine** 

Join us for a session dedicated to off-campus students at Cowiche mall.

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. 
**WILL Community and the Arts**

Easy to reach, WILL Community is pleased to welcome all Whitman faculty and staff to the inaugural Community Learning Days today and tomorrow.

Three two-day series of online workshops are focused on building cultural competencies through multiple perspectives and personal growth. The workshops are designed to transform客厅, panel, and online workshops on sexuality, individual and LGBTQ+ identities.

**Save the Date**

**International Women’s Day Celebration**

Tuesday, March 8

Walla Walla Community College and Walla Walla University will come together to celebrate the life and work of feminist thinker, writer, and activist Angela Davis on the college campuses and in the greater Walla Walla community.

• Letter from Benjamin Banneker at 3 p.m.

• MLK Peace Program at 4 p.m.

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**CAMPUS & COMMUNITY HEALTH**

As travel testing for the Whitman community continues throughout the spring, we are proud to unveil our new dashboard on Whitman Today.

This page will display statistics about COVID-19 impacts and campus, including weekly and cumulative data. There are also navigation links to pages, with more information on new health and safety measures we are taking throughout the campus.