Liam Dubay '21 chose Whitman to pursue two unrelated passions: music and astronomy. See how he beautifully composed his own unique Whitman experience, exploring music throughout his four years and studying astronomy, his professional aspiration, majoring and graduating with honors in both. A duet of sorts, like the video duet he filmed of himself on the cello during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Campus COVID-19 Update
Any employee who has not provided proof of being vaccinated against COVID-19 must take a coronavirus test every week in order to receive a campus access badge valid for seven days. This week, 25 employees were tested and there were no positive tests.

Current campus vaccination statistics:
Employees: 88.5%
Returning Students (classes of 2022, 2023 and 2024): 79%
Combined total: 81%

Additionally, anyone not fully vaccinated must still wear a face mask in all indoor spaces and maintain 3 ft. physical distance while on campus. A person is fully vaccinated when it has been at least two weeks since receiving the final required vaccine dose.

COVID-19 Vaccination Reporting Form
Announcements
One the Blog: Whitman Internship Grant Summer Experiences
Visit the Student Employment Central Blog to read about student's summer experiences funded by the Whitman Internship Grant. From Biology internships to translating children's stories into Spanish, Whitties are learning, thinking and exploring during their summer internships near and far. This year, nearly half of all WIG summer experiences are based in the Walla Walla Valley. More stories are published every month so check back for future additions.

Noteworthy
Blues Land 95 Selections On NWC All-Academic Team
More than 80 Whitman College student-athletes, representing each of the college's 17 sports, have been named to the 2020-21 Northwest Conference (NWC) All-Academic Team. For the purposes of this year's all-academic team for Whitman, distance track was included in the cross country selections, bringing the total count to 95 selections.

A record total of 1,643 NWC student-athletes were recognized for their performance in the classroom and on the field of play. To be eligible, a student-athlete must achieve a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or higher at the end of the academic year and must have participated throughout the entire varsity season.

Lewellyn Schlegel Interviews RHV Presenter Chavez
In an article published by The Rumpus, Associate Professor of English Kisha Lewellyn Schlegel interviewed Felicia Rose Chavez, who virtually visited Whitman last fall to deliver a workshop on anti-racist writing as part of the Race, Violence and Health academic theme. Their conversation, held over a shared .doc while still in the middle of a pandemic, discusses the challenges and joys of implementing anti-racist practices.

Janning Cited in Article on Bedroom Privacy
Professor of Sociology Michelle Janning and her research on students' study locations during the COVID-19 pandemic was featured in The myth of bedroom privacy on Vox. In a time when work, school and home became increasingly intertwined, the bedroom became a focal point as a newly "public" area.

Submit News of a Personal or Professional Achievement

Upcoming Events
TODAY
9 a.m.:
FAO Schwarz Fellowship in Social Impact Info Session
The FAO Schwarz Fellowship is a paid, two-year placement program with leading non-profit organizations. In this info session, hear directly from current FAO Schwarz Fellows, alumni Fellows and Executive Director Priscilla Cohen about how participants use this experience to launch a career in social impact and ask questions about direct service and strategic projects.

FRIDAY, JULY 16
9 a.m.:
How to Use Handshake Student Workshop
Are you new to Handshake? Do you want to know how to use it to find jobs, internships and other opportunities? This quick info session will cover job searches, Handshake events and how you can utilize this platform to build for your future.