**Employee COVID-19 Testing**

It all began with a blue wig and high heels. He wore it to a campus screening of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" during his junior year at Whitman. In a recent New York Times article, "Michael "Brendan" Dunlap on His Summer Dresses," Brendan Dunlap '19 characterized that stunt as the beginning of a "slow moving, steady journey" to embrace a polysexual daily practice of self expression in clothing.

Today, Dunlap, a substitute teacher in San Francisco, dresses completely for fun, some days favoring jeans and sneakers and others donning a miniskirt and heels. He is currently featured in Levi's ad campaign, "All Pronouns. All Clothes" who he explains, "My experience with style shifted a lot when finally gave myself permission to explore beyond the confines of gender norms. Now, whether it's feminine or masculine, my style feels like my choice."

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**Campus COVID-19 Update**

Any employee who has not provided proof of being vaccinated against COVID-19 must take a COVID-19 test every week in order to receive a campus access badge. Testing will be available at Welty Student Health Center on Tuesdays from 8:30-10 a.m. This week, 21 employees were tested and there were no positive tests.

Students in Walla Walla who wish to have summer access to campus must provide proof of receiving the COVID-19 vaccine and complete the request form in order to receive their access badge.

Current campus vaccination statistics:

- **Students (classes of 2022, 2023 and 2024):** 63%
- **Employees:** 85%

**COVID-19 Vaccination Reporting**

Employes with valid vaccination credentials are required to complete this form in order to receive their access badge.

Any employee who has not submitted proof of COVID-19 vaccination must be tested in order to receive their access badge.

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**Upcoming Events**

**Tuesday, June 22**

- **8:30–10 a.m.**
  - **Employee COVID-19 Testing**
  - Any employee who has not submitted proof of COVID-19 vaccination must be tested in order to receive a campus access badge. Testing will be available at Welty Student Health Center.

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**Yuen Published on Religion and Education in China**

Xiaobo Yuan, assistant professor of anthropology and religion, recently published an article titled, "Precarity at an Underground Chinese Christian School" in the journal *Anthropology and Education Quarterly*. This empirical study explores illegal religious schools that have been founded by underground Christian churches in China focusing on how one particular urban school navigates the risks and uncertainties of its unsanctioned status. The article asks how a religious community can cultivate alternative desires for educational futures in a society that privileges educational success.

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**Downing Recognized for Emergency Assistance**

Rising junior Simeon Downing is spending his summer playing baseball for the Sherrill Silversmiths in upstate New York. On June 7, he and teammates were taking batting practice when they noticed a nearby garage was on fire. Downing and two others took quick action, finding hoses and helping to prevent the fire spreading.

Of Downing and his Silversmiths teammates, Sherrill Police Chief Robert Drake said, "[They] showed a great example of taking action. They went from the backyard to the garage in a few seconds".

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**Announcements**

**Your Feedback Wanted: Campus Communications Survey**

In response to the 2018 Inclusion Task Force Action Items, Whitman Communications is exploring ways to improve campus communications. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey and provide valuable insight as we consider what tools, training and technology could help us build a more informed and connected community.

**Your Ultimate Summer Job Search Resource: SEC Career Staff**

This summer sneak up on you? No worries! There are incredible statistics in the news about open positions remaining unfilled all over the country for entry-level jobs in multiple industries. Get ready with the help of the Student Engagement Center's career staff. Schedule an appointment via Handshake to spruce up your resume, get feedback on cover letters and prepare for that interview.

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**Noteworthy**

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**Submitting News of a Personal or Professional Achievement**

If you have a professional or personal accomplishment to celebrate, please consider submitting it here in 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. By submitting to Whitman Today you also authorize use on Whitman’s social media unless otherwise specified.