Liam Voorhees Awarded Watson Fellowship

Senior Liam Voorhees is one of only 42 students in the country to be awarded the prestigious Thomas J. Watson Fellowship. Although the fellowship only accepts applications from graduating seniors, Voorhees, an environmental humanities major who is writing his senior thesis on the history of the black working class, decided to apply. He is particularly interested in understanding the history of the black working class in the Walla Walla Valley through reciprocal and co-creative partnerships with on- and off-campus community members. The application deadline is 10 a.m. on April 16 and the program will run from June 1–July 29.

Question of the Week

Will my cloth face masks get worn out?

Yes, but don’t let that stop you from mistaking them for your dirty clothes. Here are some reasons why:

- Your mask has odors.
- The fabric has worn thin.
- The mask is stained.
- The straps are worn out or don’t stay tight.
- Your mask no longer fits your face.
- You haven't been washing the mask according to the manufacturer's instructions.

The fabric mask is more fragile than the tissue one. It might never feel as comfortable, but it does help you avoid getting sick. If the mask is stained or not as soft as before, you can throw it away.

Community Engaged Summer Research Program

Applications are now open for the 2021 Community Engaged Summer Research Program. This award-winning business has a history of providing powerful summer internship experiences for students interested in building technology solutions. This year, the program will include a new feature: a cool way to track your community engagement. Applications and all required documents must be submitted through Handshake by April 8.

Resources, Project Options, and Requirements. To the extent possible, projects will be designed to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. All projects must be completed by the end of the summer. The application deadline is 10 a.m. on April 16 and the program will run from June 1–July 29.