



Whitman Today

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Meet the Office of Grants & Foundation Relations

Faculty members, do you want to apply for a grant? The Office of Grants & Foundation Relations is here to help.

If your research/scholarship plans for the summer include searching and applying for grants, or if you already have plans to apply, please [get in touch](#).

The Office of Grants & Foundation Relations wants to know about any grant, no matter how large or small. Please fill out the [proposal development form](#) at least one month before the proposal deadline. This will let all relevant parties know about your application. Remember, most grants are awarded to Whitman College, so this office is responsible for making sure any commitments made in the application are upheld.

The office helps with budget and proposal development, and also makes sure applications follow all the rules and regulations in order to give you the best chance of success.

Summer Salary—Explained!

Would you like to be compensated for the research you do in the summer? Many grants allow summer pay for faculty who are on nine-month contracts. To calculate your summer salary, divide your annual salary by nine to obtain the monthly rate. The maximum amount allowed is dictated by federal, institutional, or grant guidelines, but faculty typically can request one or two months of salary for the summer.

Questions? Contact Rachna Sinnott, director of the Office of Grants & Foundation Relations at x5990 or sinnotr@whitman.edu.

Q: I don't want to risk feeling bad during finals, so I plan to get the COVID-19 vaccine this summer. How do I find out where to get the vaccine?

A: You can find COVID-19 vaccines using the CDC's [online nationwide Vaccine Locator](#). Just enter your zip code and it will tell you specific nearby locations, what type of vaccines they are offering and how to make an appointment.

And don't forget: in the fall, the vaccine is required for all students, so complete the [COVID-19 Vaccination Reporting Form](#) as soon as you've finished your vaccination process!

Announcements

Textbook Buyback

Buyback takes place from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on May 14, 15, 17 and 18 in the bookstore inside Reid Campus Center.

[Here is a list of books](#) that have been adopted for Fall 2021. For these books, you will get approximately half of what you paid for them.

Bring any books you want to try to sell. Bookstore staff will scan all books and provide you with a price and you can decide to sell or not.

Student Food Resources

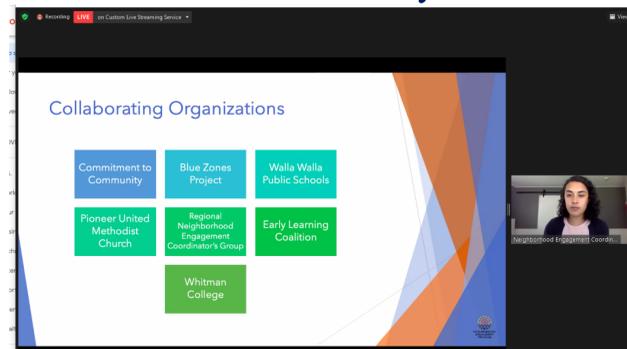
Located in the Glover Alston Center (GAC), the [Whitman Food Pantry](#) is available from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. seven days a week, including holidays and during college closures.

If you are experiencing food insecurity, head over to the GAC and use your Whitman ID to gain swipe access to the building. Canned and nonperishable items are located on the second floor. Freezer items are available in the kitchen. Please make sure to observe COVID-19 policies when in the GAC:

- Grab and go: Please take the items you need and then depart the building.
- Do not hang out in the GAC individually or with others.
- The kitchen is currently not available for use. You may take items out of the freezer but do not cook at the GAC.

Students experiencing food insecurity can also request financial assistance from the Dean of Students Office and ASWC. Learn more on the [Emergency Funds for Students webpage](#).

Noteworthy



Galant-LaPorte Presents to City Council

Earlier this week, senior Zidane Galant-LaPorte presented to the Walla Walla City Council on the Neighborhood Engagement Project, a community-building project started in 2018 by Cameron Connor '20 to enhance and celebrate the distinct and unique character of Walla Walla's neighborhoods. This program is run by Whitman students through City Hall and in collaboration with several location organizations.

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Happening Today

- all day [Final Exams](#)
- 11 a.m.–1 p.m. [End of Semester Optional COVID-19 Testing](#)
Optional rapid antigen COVID-19 testing is available from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. on May 12, 13 and 14 at Cordiner for any students who want to be tested before leaving campus. Additional dates may be added if there is sufficient demand.

[Whitman Events Calendar](#)

Have a virtual event you'd like to share with campus? Email the details to whitmantoday@whitman.edu.

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Submissions are welcome! If you have a professional or personal accomplishment to celebrate, an event to publicize or other content to share with the Whitman community, email whitmantoday@whitman.edu. Submissions should be 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.

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