Students Affected by Wildfires

As we watch growing wildfires spread quickly across much of the west, our hearts go out to students and their families who are affected by the fires. If you are a student who has been affected by the fires throughout the western U.S. and need additional support from your faculty and advisors, we encourage you to reach out proactively to request the help you need. You can also contact the Dean of Student Affairs at 509-527-5158 or the Counseling Center at 509-527-5195 for additional support.

Smoke from wildfires is expected to continue moving into the Walla Walla Valley this weekend, creating unhealthy air quality. The Washington Department of Ecology has issued an Air Quality Alert in effect until 11:15 a.m. Monday. Unhealthy air quality means that everyone, especially sensitive groups, should limit time spent outdoors, avoid strenuous activities, and choose light indoor activities.

Announcements

Mail Delivery to Campus Buildings
Starting Monday, Sept. 14, the Reid Campus Center Post Office will resume mail and package delivery to some buildings on campus. Deliveries and mail pickup will happen between noon and 2 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to the Science Building, Penrose Library, Olin Hall, Maxey Hall and Penrose House. We hope to add deliveries to more buildings as the semester progresses. If your building is not on this list and you have a large amount of mail that you need help delivering or picking up, please contact Eddie DeLeon in the post office and we will set up a list on a case by case basis.

Post Office Closing Early Today
The Reid Campus Center Post Office will close at 3 p.m. today. Regular hours of 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will resume Monday, Sept. 14.

Question of the Week: Answer Edition
This week we asked you about the color of your bedroom walls. While the top five colors (white, blue, grey, green and yellow) got 83.5% of the responses, overall the 217 responses showed there is a lot of variety out there in our decorative choices.

Coping with Coronavirus

Welty Student Health Center Open
The Welty Student Health Center is open this fall for student health needs. Nurses are onsite 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and physicians are available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8-10 a.m. Appointments to see a physician or nurse must be scheduled online by calling the Health Center at 509-527-5295. Services available include lab testing (STD, UTI, strep, etc.), medication administration, immunizations, care for illness and injuries, wellness checks and referrals.

Happening Today and Tomorrow

**TODAY**
11 a.m.  Power & Privilege Symposium Fall Kickoff Panel
Join P&P leaders to begin conversations virtually this fall surrounding social justice, the role of the pandemic in exacerbating inequalities and looking forward.

**TOMORROW**
9 a.m.  Case Study and Management Consulting Workshop
The case study is a common method used by consulting firms to help determine a candidate’s abilities. In this session, you will learn about the case study from Whitman alumni working in the field and also walk through a sample case study with our alumni presenters.

6 p.m.  Black One Shot: Art Criticism in the Time of Pandemics and Insurrections
A conversation between the editors of Black One Shot, a bi-annual publication by Whitman alumni. Co-edited by Associate Professor of Art History and Visual Culture Studies Lisa Uddin and Associate Professor of Film at City College of New York and the Graduate Center (CUNY) Michael Boyce Gillespie, Black One Shot is an ongoing online art criticism series that commit to the art of blackness.

More Upcoming Events

"Whitman Today" is produced by the Office of Communications and is emailed Monday through Friday to Whitman College staff, faculty and students. All times are listed in Pacific Daylight Time. Submissions are welcome! If you have a professional or personal accomplishment to celebrate or an event to publicize, please submit it to 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.