

# Whitman Today

Thursday, April 16, 2020

### **Coronavirus** News

In a press conference yesterday afternoon, Gov. Jay Inslee talked about what plans to reopen Washington's economy might look like. Inslee said that it will likely be a phased approach that will be a reverse process of how the state shut down in March in response to coronavirus. He said some of the first things to be shut down during the outbreak — like large gatherings — could be the last to reopen. The governor did not give a timeline of when that might happen. The current stay-at-home order is in effect until at least May 4.

Walla Walla County had two new confirmed coronavirus cases in the past 24 hours. That brings the number of confirmed cases in the county to 26. The Walla Walla County Department of Health reports that seven patients have recovered from the virus. There are no confirmed cases on the Whitman campus.

See Previous Coronavirus Updates from Whitman

### Announcements

### Guidelines for Community Email Lists

As announced in an email to students, faculty and staff last week, emails to three Whitman email lists — students, announcements and community — will now be reviewed and approved before being posted. This is part of an effort to create a more inclusive and welcoming community for all individuals and groups on campus, and ensure that these lists are being used as intended. Guidelines for posting are available on the WCTS Knowledge Base.

SEC Looking to Support Students Have you heard about Whitman students losing internships, research positions, or jobs? The Student Engagement Center (SEC) is trying to track situations where the pandemic is affecting students' summer or postgraduate employment, so its team can support and help students explore other options. If you know of stories like this, please email Noah Leavitt.



#WeAreWhitman Events Continue Today 
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### **Campus Resources**

Need tech help? Whitman College Technology Services has many helpful guides on Knowledge Base. You can find help connecting to your online classes, troubleshooting software, and much more. And the Help Desk is still available to serve you. Email <u>helpdesk@whitman.edu</u> for assistance.

## **Online Learning Tips and Tools**

Do you have an online learning tip or tool you'd like to share with the Whitman community? Email it to whitmantoday@whitman.edu!

**Online Learning Resources for Students** 

### Health Reminder

Remember the CARE Team is here for people who want to report a concern about a student. The CARE Team meets weekly to address concerns raised about students' wellbeing and thriving. Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to send CARE notes to the team. If you have concerns about a student, contact the CARE Team.

Health and Social Distancing Tips

### Happening Today

Chaplain Chat with Adam Kirtley 1 p.m. Watch this week's Chaplain Chat video then join Adam Kirtley on Zoom for a discussion as part of the #WeAreWhitman event.

4 p.m.

**Open Forum Live Chat with ASWC** 

Join ASWC President Isaiah Banta and hear about what student life is like now, and how ASWC has responded to support students in this time of need. Part of the #WeAreWhitman event.

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

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