



Whitman Today

Friday, December 4, 2020

Winter Break Security Information



As many of you plan to travel away from campus, Stephen Davis, director of campus security, offers these tips on personal and property safety.

Campus security is available the entire holiday, 24/7. Reach out for assistance at any time by calling 509-527-5777. Safety escorts are available to your residence by foot or vehicle on and off campus. Call security any time to arrange pickup and drop-off.

The Welty Student Health Center closes for clinic care today at noon, and will reopen on Jan. 19 at 3:30 p.m. During the interim, call security or emergency medical services for assistance.

During the break, the GAC Student Food Pantry will have food and clothing assistance for students remaining on campus. The GAC can be accessed via swipe from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and assistance for access can be requested from campus security or Monica Chapman.

HOLIDAY SECURITY

- If you leave campus during school holidays store your bicycle with residence life.
- If you leave your car on campus find out where you are supposed to park it and remove all valuables from it.
- Place valuables that you cannot take with you out of sight in your room/ apartment/home and unplug all appliances before you leave. Park your car in a well-lit location and leave your keys and contact information with a trusted friend.
- If you stay on campus during break be alert to any suspicious persons around the residence halls, bike racks, or parking lots.
- Call campus security or the police immediately to report any unusual activity.

IF YOU LIVE OFF CAMPUS AND PLAN TO TRAVEL

- Lock doors and windows securely.
- Turn your telephone ringers down low so a burglar won't be alerted to your absence by its ringing.
- Make your house/apartment look occupied; have a friend or neighbor pick up your mail and newspapers, set televisions and lights on timers, leave your blinds, shades, and curtains in their normal positions. Leave your travel itinerary, address and phone number with a trusted friend so you can be reached in case of an emergency. If comfortable, we advise students to leave keys with roommates for vehicles left on campus.

Campus and Community Health

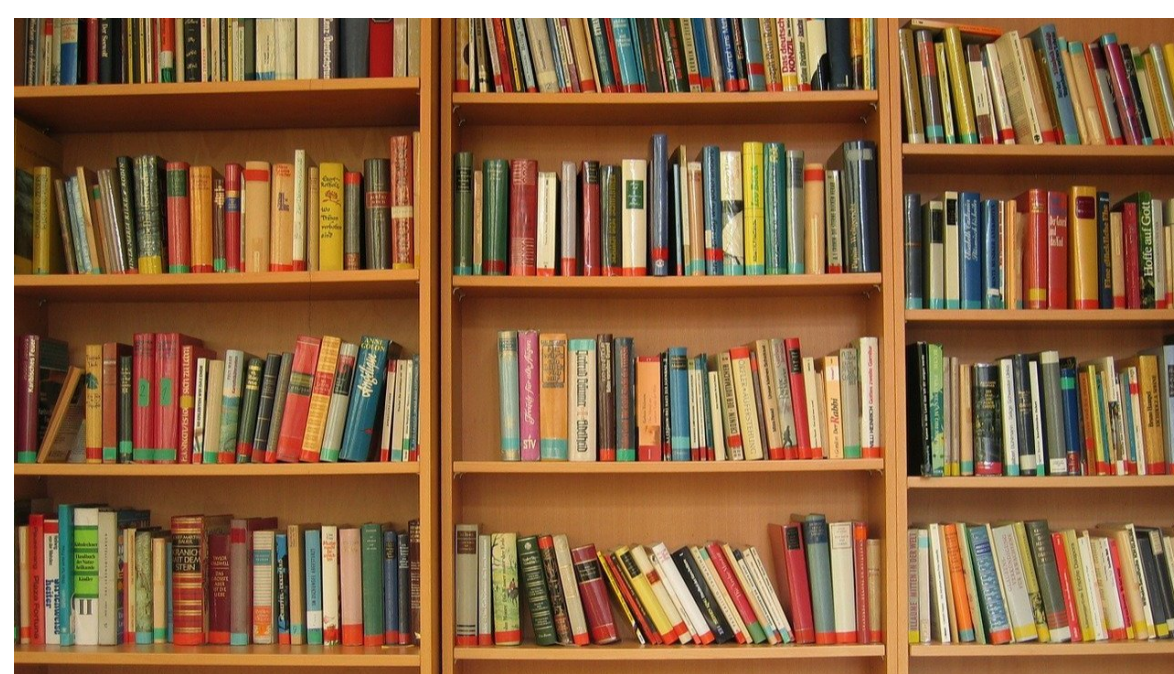
Winter Break Student Building Access

As we prepare to enter winter break, student access to campus buildings will remain in its current approval-required process from now through Dec. 23. Any student who has been approved to be on campus may access the building(s) for which they are approved as long as they have successfully completed the Daily Wellness Check and follow social distancing protocols.

Beginning Dec. 24, all campus buildings will be closed to any student access through the end of the initial spring quarantine period. This includes student employees and students conducting research (with strictly limited exceptions for positions that support the quarantine process, which will be approved through a forthcoming application process). Student athletes should check with their coaches about access to athletic facilities. Closing buildings during this time period will help facilitate a successful campus community quarantine once students return for the spring semester on Jan. 16 and 17.

Campus buildings will open to the general student population on Feb. 1, accessible through the ID card swipe building entrance.

Question of the Week: Answer Edition



This week we asked for your book recommendations and got great suggestions in a variety of genres. Whether you're looking for a classic like Don Quixote or a contemporary memoir such as Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates, you can find the [full list of recommendations here](#) and then head to the [Whitman Bookstore online](#) to take advantage of their current sale. From now through Dec. 15, get 25% off all books (fiction, non-fiction, children's books, cookbooks...everything except textbooks). Looking for something specific? Call the bookstore at 509-527-5274 to place your special order!

Happening Today and Tomorrow

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Final Exams
Finals exams for Fall 2020 will take place through Dec. 5.
See [the exam schedule](#) on the registrar's website.

[More Upcoming Events](#)

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

Announcements

Winter Break Schedule for Whitman Today

Beginning Monday, Whitman Today will move to a twice weekly publication, sent on Mondays and Thursdays from Dec. 7-Jan. 10. There will be no issues of Whitman Today from Dec. 24-Jan. 3 while campus offices are closed.

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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.



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