



Whitman Today

Friday, January 22, 2021

Spring Move-in Day Video



Now that we're nearing the end of our first rather unusual week back at Whitman, enjoy this [reflection on the rather unusual Move-In Day](#) that started it out.

Announcements



Quarantation Tote Raffle Winners

If you live in a campus residence hall, the bag you received when you checked in contains two raffle tickets. Each day at selected orientation sessions we will draw tickets for fun prize packs. Read Whitman Today to see the winning tickets and attend sessions to increase your odds of winning!

Winning tickets:
Green 1147535
Red 204954
Green 1147339
Red 205136
Green 1147343
Red 204888
Green 1147266
Red 204600
Green 1147214

Winners should [contact Juli Dunn](#) to claim their prize.

Request Website Updates and Changes

Do you see information on Whitman's website that needs to be changed? You can make all requests for updates and changes through our web request form: [whitman/webrequest](#). Any specific questions should be directed to webteam@whitman.edu.

Changes to walk-up service at the WCTS Help Desk

Technology Services would like to announce a change to their walk-up service at the Help Desk in the Technology Services building. To allow for social distancing in their lobby, they kindly request that all in-person visits to the Help Desk be pre-scheduled by going to the following link: <https://whitmancollege.as.me/HelpDesk>

The Help Desk can also be contacted via phone at 509-527-4976, email at helpdesk@whitman.edu and chat at support.whitman.edu. Their hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-10 p.m. for phone, email and chat support. They appreciate your understanding and patience during these unprecedented times.

Campus and Community Health

COVID-19 Baseline Testing

We are close to finishing our second round of baseline testing this week! For the most effective testing process, please come on the same day of the week that you did your first baseline test. As with last week's schedule, this week has time slots assigned based on your last name. However, testing times have changed, so please pay attention to the testing schedule for this round of testing. [View the full schedule of testing times.](#)



Happening Today

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- various times [COVID-19 Testing](#)
The second round of baseline COVID-19 testing is taking place at Cordiner Hall.
- 10 a.m. [Basic Backcountry Skiing Safety](#)
Join the Outdoor Program staff outside and in person for a lesson on how to use an avalanche transceiver. Meet at the Park street patio of the Reid Campus Center. Dress warm. No prior experience is necessary.
- 10 a.m. [Everything You Wanted to Know About Financial Aid... but Were Afraid to Ask](#)
Learn about budgets, what you need to know about financial aid and loans, accessing your portal and bill and how to get paid once you have a job.
- 11 a.m. [Chill Flow Yoga Session](#)
Join a beginner-friendly, hour-long yoga flow led by student Caitlin Barnes. Learn about the power of yoga, enjoy some quiet time and move your body.
- 11 a.m. [Hot takes, Laughs and More With Whitman's Varsity Nordic Improv Team](#)
Confused and/or dazed about your first semester on campus? The Varsity Nordic Improv Team is here with candid (and only slightly satirical) advice! Our improv team will be acting out the parts of "typical" Whitman students and answering your questions about Whitman, quarantine and more! You'll definitely get some good laughs ... and who knows, maybe you'll actually get some good advice too! Can't be worse than sitting silently next to your quarantined pal all day ... right?!
- 1 p.m. [Greek Life at Whitman: Questions Answered](#)
Forming Connections. Strengthening Community. Answering YOUR Questions. Greek Leaders will share why they value Greek Life (even when some thought they'd never join) and answer questions.
- 1 p.m. [Self-Advocating 101 With the Student Academic Advisors](#)
You are not on your own here at Whitman—there are so many people to support you! But there is also plenty you have to do yourself. Like talking with professors, meeting with a tutor and asking questions. Feeling intimidated is very normal! Come to this session to learn different ways to figure out who to go to, for what, and why.
- 3:30 p.m. [Speed Friending](#)
Residence Life invites students on and off campus to sign up for a fun and structured way to meet other students in an online format.
- 3:30 p.m. [Tech Support and Campus Printing with WCTS](#)
The Whitman College Technology Services (WCTS) Help Desk student staff is prepared to share with you everything you need to know about accessing tech support and printing services at Whitman.
- 7 p.m. ["quarterlife" is hosting a reading](#)
Come one, come all poetry, prose and creative arts lovers! Join the "quarterlife" staff as they facilitate a reading of original works from within and outside previous "quarterlife" issues. We encourage people to read, sing, etc.—especially things they've created during the pandemic.
- 7 p.m. [Tabletop Games Club: Mini Game Sessions](#)
Join Tabletop Games Club leaders for virtual games such as Jackbox, Among Us, and Skribbl.io. Spots are limited per game.



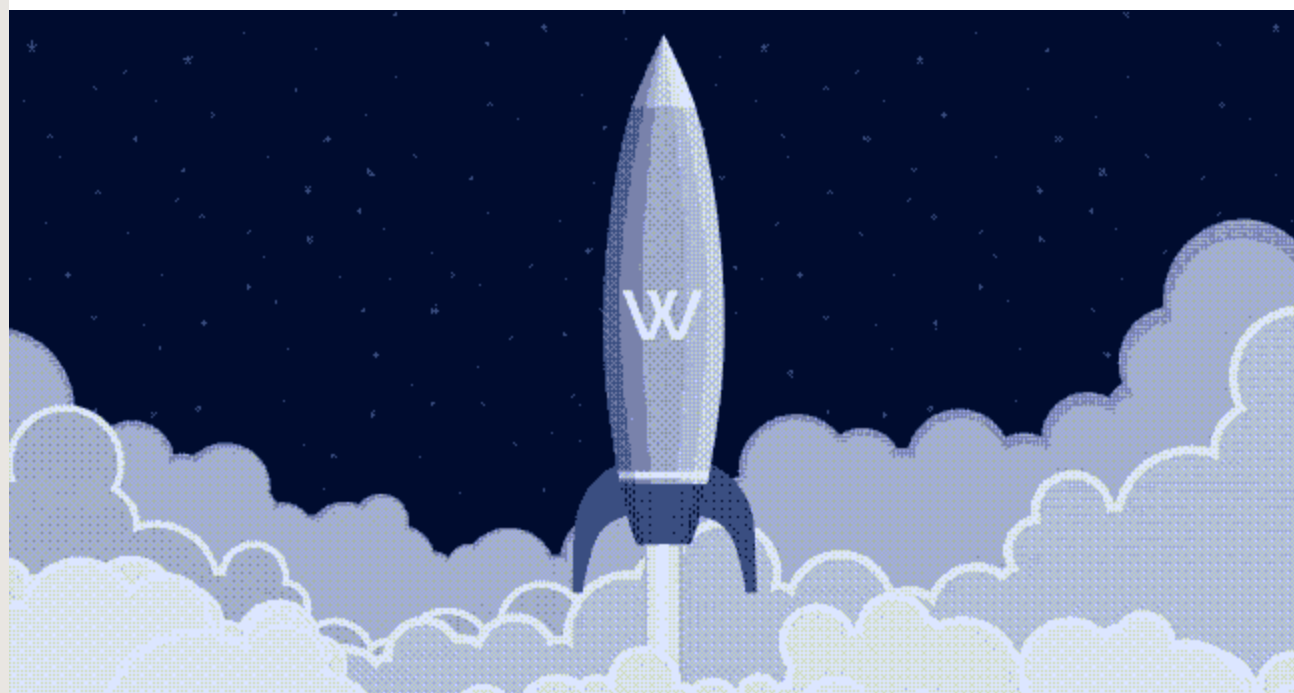
Photo: the Outdoor Program provided equipment for people to cross-country ski on Ankeny yesterday as part of our Spring Orientation 2021 activities.

There won't be an issue of Whitman Today tomorrow, so make sure to check out the [Spring Orientation 2021 webpage](#) for all of Saturday's activities!

Whitman Events Calendar

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

Question of the Week: Answer Edition



This week we asked: How many miles is it from your home to Whitman? Based on [all the answers](#), some of us live very close (literally less than half a mile) while the farthest may have appreciated a rocket to bring them the 7,745 miles to campus.

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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.

