



Whitman Today

Monday, June 29, 2020

Update from President Murray



Coronavirus News

The [Walla Walla County Department of Health](#) reported 11 new coronavirus cases in the past week. Of the total 152 confirmed cases, 120 residents are now recovered and 29 are in isolation.

Effective June 26, face coverings are required for all people in indoor and outdoor public settings. [The state order](#) provides further specific details. Everyone coming onto Whitman's campus must wear a face covering. As you return to work, all faculty, staff and students will be issued three reusable face coverings.

Coronavirus Task Force Updates: Building Reopening Schedule

Over the next month many buildings around campus will reopen for a phased return to campus for employees. Faculty and staff will receive training and procedural information from Human Resources prior to being authorized to return to on-campus work. [View the tentative building reopening schedule](#) for the next month. Buildings reopened for authorized employees will remain closed to the public and visitors, and are not open for any general services.

[Whitman's Coronavirus Info Center](#)

Announcements

Accommodations for Fall 2020 Remote Learning

As we prepare for fall semester, we understand that there are members of our student community who may have conditions that put them at higher-risk of severe illness from COVID-19. If you have concerns about safely being on campus — and/or would like to request an accommodation for all-remote class attendance — please contact Antonia Keithahn in the Academic Resource Center. You can reach Antonia at keithaam@whitman.edu, 503-320-2950 or antonia.youcanbook.me.

Whitman Inclusion Task Force Gathers Community Input

The [task force invites participation](#) in two opportunities to engage in an insightful critique of the campus climate and explore the systems, programs, and resources that influence the sense of belonging and community at Whitman. Please sign up for a listening session slot and attend using the links in the emails sent by Monica Chapman to all faculty, staff and students on June 25 or [provide feedback using the online questionnaire](#).

Happening This Week

THURSDAY, JULY 2 and FRIDAY, JULY 3

Campus Offices Closed

Campus offices will be closed July 2 and 3 in observance of the 4th of July. Regular office hours will resume Monday, July 6.

[More Upcoming Events](#)

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

Seen Around Campus



This art piece was made by Sofia Black '22 as a final project for a sculpture class. The piece was submitted as part of Whitman's [COVID stories archive](#). This summer, the library is extending the scope of the project to include the greater Walla Walla community, thanks to the Community Engaged Summer Research Program (CESRP). [Read more in this newsroom article](#).

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