



Whitman Today

Friday, March 5, 2021

Standing Together for Truth



In today's video, President Kathy Murray shares thoughts on how division and confusion in the world around us impacts our campus:

What we are witnessing should force us to scrutinize everything we read, hear, speak or write, to be sure it is truth supported by facts and not baseless rhetoric supported only by volume. We must stand together to condemn hate speech and violence as we continue our work to become an anti-racist campus.

Q: Do I have to wear a face mask if I'm outdoors?

A: Yes! Whether you are swinging in a hammock, sitting on the grass with friends or playing tennis on the newly reopened outdoor courts, campus policy outlined in the [Community Pledge](#) and the [Safe Start Plan](#) is that you must wear a face mask in all public spaces. While this springtime brings a sense of hope that the pandemic is on its way out, we must remain diligent in our social distancing measures as the virus that causes COVID-19 is still present and can spread, even outside, even when it is warm and sunny.

Announcements

The Summer 2021 Whitman Internship Grant is Now Available

The [Whitman Internship Grant](#) (WIG) is a competitive grant that provides funding to students who secure an unpaid internship at nonprofit organizations, some for-profit organizations and government offices. The WIG may be provided for a semester, academic year or summer experience. Any Whitman student who is eligible to work in the U.S. and is currently enrolled as a full-time student may apply (graduating seniors are ineligible to apply for this summer cycle). Internships for this cycle must last a majority of the summer (mid-May to mid-August) to be eligible.

This grant cycle has three deadlines: March 21, April 11, and May 2. Selected students will create and submit a financial proposal that will determine the amount of grant funding to be disbursed over the span of the internship length in monthly installments. The total awarded amount for the Summer 2021 WIG can be up to \$3,500. If you have any questions, submit them through [this form](#) and will get back to you as soon as possible. If you prefer to connect with someone one on one, we invite you to schedule an appointment with Mitzy Rodriguez via [Handshake](#).

Question of the Week: Answer Edition



This week, we asked what books you have been reading lately. Titles you shared included meditations on democracy from [Pres. Barack Obama](#), pop culture influencing novels like [Dune](#) and explorations of human history through DNA in [The Violinist's Thumb](#). Given that there are no classes next Monday, this long weekend is the perfect opportunity to peruse the [full list of recommendations](#) and curl up with a good book.

Happening This Weekend

TODAY



1 – 5 p.m.

[Labyrinth Installation Project](#)

The Office of Religious and Spiritual Life is installing a beautiful walking meditation called a labyrinth behind Marcus House, and you are invited to play a part in it's installation! Stop by to paint or decorate a rock (or a few) if you wish, and place it on the labyrinth path. Read more about the labyrinth in February's issue of [Around the Table](#).

4 p.m.

[Life After Whitman: Harper Joy --> NYC](#)

Alum Emily Krause shares how her liberal arts degree in theatre taught her to say yes to doing things she didn't know how to do and helped her move to New York to pursue a creative life.

7 p.m.

[Do You Think About Me, Too?](#)

A Senior Project world premiere and a Paranormal Zoom Production developed by Oriana Golden, Eva Sullivan, Emily Krause and Christopher Petit. Performances will also take place at 7 p.m. on March 6 and at 2 p.m. on March 7.

[Whitman Events Calendar](#)

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

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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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