Wednesday, May 12, 2021

2020-2021

Presidential Search

Search Committee Selection Process

The Board of Trustees has charged the initial members of the presidential search committee with developing a process to build out a full committee to serve for the duration of the search. They have chosen a committee structure of 17 members: two students, two staff, four faculty and nine trustees or alumni.

Yesterday the committee notified Board of Trustees Chair Nancy Serrurier, Dean of Students Kazi Joshua (who will work in partnership with the Associated Students of Whitman College), Whitman Staff Advisory Council Chair Robert Randall and Faculty Chair Barry Balof of our decision and requested their assistance in identifying representatives for the committee. Their deadline to complete selection is Tuesday, May 25.

By forming a committee this large, they are striving to include perspectives from a wide range of college constituencies. Even so, the search committee knows that their members may not reflect every part of the community, so they will need your help. They will be inviting everyone in the Whitman community to share your views on Whitman's presidency and the college's future and hope that the full committee will hear and learn from you later this summer. Please keep a look out for future emails and find the latest news on the <u>presidential search website</u>.

COVID Surveillance Testing: The End

This was the final week of our campus pooled surveillance testing. However, given recent asymptomatic cases of COVID identified through our surveillance testing, we urge you all to continue taking our other campus health measures very seriously: wear your masks unless alone in a private room or office, stay more than 6 ft. away from others and limit gatherings to fewer than five people indoors or 15 outdoors.

Announcements

Summer Learning Opportunity for Faculty and Staff

The Northwest 5 Consortium has opened registration for faculty and staff summer learning communities. Find details here. Participants will connect with colleagues who have similar interests while exploring the fundamentals of community engaged learning. Participants will have the opportunity to develop a collaborative project proposal for funding and will receive a \$750 stipend for their time. Space is limited and the registration deadline is May 24, so be sure to register right away.

Harvey Pool Modified Hours of Operation

Harvey Pool will only be open from 11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m. now through Monday, May 17.

After that the pool will close through the end of May before re-opening for limited yet-to-be-determined summer hours.

Athletic facility use protocols continue to be in place and all use must be scheduled through the pool reservation system.

Happening Today

all day Reading Day

No classes in preparation for final exams.

11 a.m.-1 p.m.

End of Semester Optional COVID-19 Testing

For any students wishing to be tested before leaving campus, we will offer optional rapid antigen COVID-19 testing from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on May 12, 13 and 14 at Cordiner. Additional dates may be added if there is sufficient demand.

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. By submitting to Whitman Today you also authorize use on Whitman's social media unless otherwise specified.

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