



# Whitman Today

Thursday, September 10, 2020

## Join: Quarterlife



Hey you!  
 Do you like writing? Web design? Art?  
 Would you like to gain experience working on a magazine?  
 Do you want to join a funky group of people who love art + media?  
 You're in luck!  
 quarterlife, the spunkiest publication on campus, is hiring!  
 For more info about positions in art, web development, PR + social media and copy editing, check out their [Whitlife page](#) and their [website](#)!  
 Applications are due September 16 at midnight  
 (in whatever time zone tickles your fancy).  
 Send any questions, comments, and amphibian facts to [quarterlife@whitman.edu](mailto:quarterlife@whitman.edu)!

## Announcements



**Three Important Messages for Student Supervisors**  
 Erin Towne, the Student Engagement Center assistant director for career readiness and employer engagement, offers three quick bits of encouragement for anyone considering hiring student employees.

## Coronavirus in Walla Walla

A successful **Safe Start** means we all have to do our part.

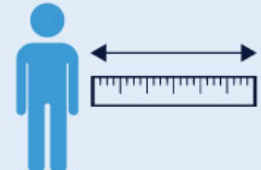
**It's safest to stay home.**

**BUT IF YOU HEAD OUT:**

**Wear a mask.**



**Stay six feet apart.**



**Wash your hands.**



**Prevent the spread by staying local.**

In the past 14 days, [Walla Walla County](#) confirmed 81 total cases of COVID-19. Currently there are 55 residents isolating at home and one in the hospital. If trends continue, there is likely to be a significant increase in confirmed cases following the Labor Day holiday weekend, [according to the county director of community health](#).

On Tuesday, the [children in Walla Walla Public Schools](#) began the 2020-21 school year with online learning. The school district's [Roadmap to Safely Reopening Schools](#) indicates that the majority of children will remain in full-time distance learning until local trends of community transmission improve, such as having fewer than 30 news cases in a 14-day period.

There were no new cases of COVID-19 reported in the Whitman community over the past week.

[Fall 2020 Information Center](#)

## Noteworthy

### SEC Hires Lopez for Internships Program Coordinator

The SEC is pleased to welcome a colleague back to Whitman in the temporary role of Internship Programs Coordinator while Mitzy Rodriguez is on family leave. Welcome Jen Lopez '13, who some of you might know from her time as a student and some might know from her work in the Intercultural Center. Like many of you, her plans drastically changed due to the pandemic and she is now in Walla Walla for a bit longer than expected. She is excited for the possibility to work with students, staff and faculty once again and in a new capacity. Jen's message to our community is: "The challenges we are facing provide opportunities for growth and innovation of our institution, and I am excited to play a role in this new transformative chapter for Whitman. Feel free to reach out and say hello!"

## Happening Today

TODAY

4 p.m.

### [Penrose Library Info Session](#)

Join Emily Pearson, instructional and research services librarian, for a half-hour workshop covering the ins and outs of accessing library resources this semester.

4:30 p.m.

### [Student Financial Aid Info Session](#)

The Financial Aid Office will host a virtual meeting for new students receiving need-based financial aid and/or federal student loans.

[More Upcoming Events](#)

Have a virtual event you'd like to share with campus? Email the details to [whitmantoday@whitman.edu](mailto:whitmantoday@whitman.edu).

## Chaplain Chat



Interfaith Chaplain Adam Kirtley shares how this weekend's windstorm wreaked havoc on his car and caused him to reflect on the question of how we respond with compassion, justice, generosity and kindness when the world around us turns to chaos.

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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](mailto: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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