



Whitman Today

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Join: Tabletop Games Club



[Tabletop Games Club](#) is a casual, friendly group for anyone who likes to play board and card games! They hold a weekly game night on Saturdays, 7 p.m. to midnight. This semester, they've been playing things like Among Us, skribbl.io, Avalon, and Codenames, as well as anything else they've been able to find for free online. There's no pressure to show up every weekend, or stay for the whole time; they're happy to see you whenever you have time to join! While they usually take over Lyman's main lounge, they're all online this semester. Join the club [Discord Server](#) for fun game nights, RPG and Magic: The Gathering discussions and game-related memes!

Announcements

Outdoor Program Fall Photo Contest

The Outdoor Program is excited to bring you a fall photo contest. With remote learning it can be really easy to spend the whole day inside. We want to see what you're up to outside. Being outside doesn't have to be an extreme outdoor adventure; it could be as simple reading a book outside, gardening, or going for a walk. [Submit your photo](#) for a chance to win one of three prize packs. The contest ends October 4 at 11:59 p.m. Learn more about the contest on the [Outdoor Program website](#). If you have any questions, please reach out to us at opmedia@whitman.edu.

Thesis Research Webinar with Penrose Library

On Thursday, Sept. 24 at 4 p.m., join Emily Pearson, instructional and research services librarian, for a half-hour webinar on how the library can help you with your thesis, both what specifically we can do while the building is closed but also how we can support theses in general. Please [register](#) if you plan to attend and come with any questions you have! The session will be recorded and posted to the library website afterwards. You can also make [one-on-one appointments](#) with a reference librarian for research support.

Latinx Social Media Takeover

Join the IC and Club Latinx in celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month 2020 with the Latinx Social Media Takeover! Our social media feeds will be filled with images, video clips, poems, quotes, etc. from your favorite Latinx artist, activist, inventor, entrepreneur, or public figure.

The takeover will happen all day Friday, Sept. 25. The day will also include random prize drawings for students who email submissions. Send submissions to barretla@whitman.edu or [Club Latinx's Instagram](#).



Noteworthy

Janning Published on Children and Home Spaces

Michelle Janning, professor of sociology, has a book chapter published this month entitled "Positioning Children's Agency in Everyday Home Spaces and Objects: Linking Theory and Research" in a special volume of *Sociological Studies of Children and Youth*. In this chapter, Janning discusses manifestations of children's agency uncovered by her research on parent-child relations via family photographs, children's use of technology, and young adults' use of spaces and objects in transitions into adulthood. She has also been interviewed by [NBC News](#) and featured in a [syndicated column](#) about how young adults experiencing college and work in parents' homes during COVID-19 may be changing the definitions of childhood and adulthood.

[Submit a Personal or Professional Note](#)

Happening Today

TODAY

4 p.m.

[Student Open Office Hours](#)

Join Kazi Joshua, dean of students, for drop-in office hours every Monday-Friday from 4-5 p.m. on Zoom. Bring any topics you wish to discuss during these sessions.

[More Upcoming Events](#)

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

Getting to Know...

JENNIFER (JENN) MCNEIL (she/her)

Associate Registrar for Academic Credentials

What is something new you've done during the coronavirus pandemic?

With sports cancelled for our kids, we found ourselves with plenty of free time. A couple of new things we did enjoy were biking the Route of the Hiawatha (pictured) and floating the Boise River.

What is your favorite aspect of the Whitman community?

My favorite aspect is the shared vision of what is best for the students. We all work to ensure their college experience is memorable and rewarding.

Do you have any special item in your work space?

I have a rubber graduation cap that I received at a conference. Since I'm responsible for making sure the students graduate, this cap keeps me motivated and encouraged to get through another year and help our amazing students cross that finish line, or stage rather, with their diploma in hand.



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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.

