



# Whitman Today

Thursday, September 24, 2020

## What We Do: Admission Operations



For decades, every new Whittie has been welcomed into the community with a box of sweet onions. Coordinating this impressive mailing project is the Admission Operations team. Based in Penrose House, this team is used to working on a large scale: facilitating communications with over 50,000 prospective students, processing around 5,000 applications each year and coordinating recruitment travel, visits and events both on and off campus.

In addition to their impressive administrative skills, the Admission Operations team has recently leaned into their creative side. The travel and social gathering limitations necessitated by COVID-19 meant learning how to move all recruitment events to the virtual world so they can continue to share Whitman with prospective students. By connecting prospective students with faculty, staff, current students and campus resources, the Admission Operations team works alongside the admissions officers on recruitment efforts that will continue to build the Whitman community for the long term.

## Announcements

### Fundraiser for Black Women in Latin America

Join [Club LatinX](#), [Whitman African Student Association](#), [Black Student Union](#) and [Women of Color Voices](#) in fundraising for [Vida Afro Latina](#) to provide resources for Black women affected by COVID-19 in Latin America. Please donate between now and October 4 to @latinxwhitman on Venmo. Follow [Club LatinX on Instagram](#) to receive updates on this and other upcoming events!

### Eight Things to Know About the Library

Library staff have developed a [zine](#) to showcase services that they want you to know about! Featuring artwork by Archive Assistant Joel Gaytan, the zine lists eight things they think every library user should know they provide or can help with.

## Coronavirus in Walla Walla

**A successful [Safe Start](#) means we all have to do our part.**

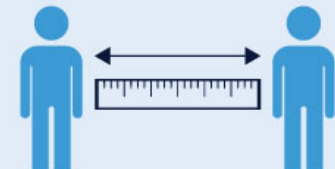
**It's safest to stay home.**

**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 67 total cases of COVID-19. Currently there are 54 residents isolating at home and 2 in the hospital.

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

[Fall 2020 Information Center](#)

## Happening Today

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4 p.m.

### [Thesis Research Support with the Library](#)

Join Emily Pearson, instructional and research services librarian, for an overview of how to use the library while you are writing your thesis, tools to help you manage a thesis project and the ways librarians can help you with your work.

5:30 p.m.

### [Intercollegiate Debate](#)

Whitman Debate will hold a debate with University of North Texas and the University of Texas Tyler, two other nationally ranked debate teams. The debate topic: "Joe Biden should not participate in the presidential debates."

7 p.m.

### [IM Trivia Night](#)

All are welcome to the first Kahoots Trivia Night of the year from the Intramurals Committee. Winners get special edition blue shirts!

[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



If you created a Venn diagram of Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year which took place last weekend, and the Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the Supreme Court justice who died last weekend, what would you find at the center? Interfaith Chaplain Adam Kirtley has an idea: Lilith, Jewish folklore's earliest feminist.

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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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