News Updates

How melatonin puts you to sleep*
Futurity.org – May 15, 2018
“We as a society are losing sleep because we are working too hard, and it’s causing a variety of health concerns,” says Mahesh Thakkar, professor and director of research in the University of Missouri School of Medicine’s neurology department and lead author of the study. Similar stories ran in several international and national media outlets.

MU campus prepares for a busy summer construction season
Columbia Missourian – May 15, 2018
A number of major construction projects are underway at MU this summer, but don’t expect any of them to be completed when the fall semester begins.

Mid-Missouri hospitals ranked for STEMI heart attack care
KOMU.com - May 15, 2018
STEMI stands for "ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction, a particular type of heart attack in which a major artery to the heart is blocked. DHSS designated MU Health Care and Boone Hospital Center as Level 1 STEMI centers.

Dropped felony charge won’t protect Greitens from potential impeachment, expert says
Columbia Missourian – May 15, 2018
Dropping a felony invasion of privacy charge against Missouri Gov. Eric Greitens will have no legal bearing on how legislators might discipline him, MU law professor Frank Bowman said Tuesday.

Prosecutor-as-witness move sinks case against Greitens
Columbia Missourian – May 15, 2018
Ben Trachtenberg, an associate University of Missouri law professor, said Tisaby's refusal to answer questions made it "more plausible" that Gardner would be called as a witness.

Why work when you can procrastibake?
New York Times – May 15, 2018
Rachel Courville, a veterinary student at the University of Missouri in Columbia, has baking sessions alongside study sessions "to prepare for hell weeks where we just have an inhumane amount of tests," she said.

Tiger Times awards recognize work of student journalists
The Sedalia Democrat – May 15, 2018
The Rookie Reporter program, started in 2013, is a partnership between Sedalia 200, the Democrat and the Reynolds Journalism Institute at the University of Missouri-Columbia.
The nation’s best: Entomology team nabs Bolivar’s first FFA national championship
The Bolivar Herald-Free Press – May 15, 2018
In order to prepare, she says, the team traveled to the University of Missouri to view the school’s insect collection and even made a stop at Oklahoma State University en route to Texas.

Respondents needed for Great Plains wetlands and agricultural perceptions survey
High Plains Journal – May 15, 2018
In partnership with the School of Natural Resources at the University of Missouri and the Missouri Transect EPSCoR Project.

Playwright Lanford Wilson is celebrated in his home state of Missouri
Los Angeles Times – May 15, 2018
University of Missouri theater professor David Crespy said the themes these playwrights tackled haven't changed. For a recent production in Columbia of Wilson's "The Rimers of Eldritch," a play that depicts family and community violence and its after-effects in a small town, Crespy cast a diverse ensemble that included Latino, Bosnian and black students.

Talking to your child about mental health
Columbia Daily Tribune - May 16, 2018
Noting changes in behavior, asking questions and having open communication about mental health with your child is vital to supporting his or health from the inside out, according to Laine Young-Walker, MD, chief of the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the MU School of Medicine. Whether your child is 2 or 16, families need to

Ask a Scientist: Why does your natural hair color change?
Columbia Daily Tribune - May 15, 2018
Melanin also controls eye color, so eye color changes for about 10 to 15 percent of people as they get older. Ronnie LaCombe is a graduate student studying biology at the University of Missouri.

University of Missouri System

Mizzou in Kennett event held at Country Club
The Delta Dunklin Democrat – May 15, 2018
Maurice "Marcy" Graham the Chair of the University of Missouri Board of Curators began the event with opening remarks reflecting on the legacy of the McHaney family.

University of Missouri-Kansas City

Where Graduates Move After College
The Wall Street Journal – May 15, 2018
A Wall Street Journal article shows the Kansas City Metro keeps 61percent of UMKC graduates.

A Moment of Celebration*
UMKC Today – May 14, 2018
UMKC will graduate more than 2,000 students at 12 end-of-year commencement ceremonies May 11 through May 21.
Consent and paperwork are meaningless if no one understands the concepts she’s trying to impart. So, Susan Abdel-Rahman, who is also a professor at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, decided to try something unconventional in her world of 20-page, text-heavy parental consent and child assent forms: pictures.

In the United States, “on any given Sunday, African Americans are in church—about 50 percent [of them],” said Jannette Berkley-Patton from the University of Missouri-Kansas City, making churches ideal places for reaching men and bringing them into care.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

This Missouri university gives students the best value in the state, study says

Of the 10 "best value" colleges in Missouri, the University of Missouri System has four of them — with one at the top, according to a national survey by a financial technology company. SmartAsset names the Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla as the college that offers students and parents the best value for their dollars. At least one other publication ran this story.

Capitol Report: House and Senate give final approval to state operating budget

The members of the House and Senate this week gave final approval to a state spending plan that will make a record investment in K-12 public education... Continued state support for several of Missouri’s cooperative higher education programs, including... and the Cooperative Engineering Program with Missouri S&T and Missouri State.

Missouri S&T faculty awarded Technology Acceleration Grants*

Three Missouri University of Science and Technology faculty have received the spring 2018 Technology Acceleration Grants (TAG) offered by the office of technology transfer and economic development (OTTED).

University of Missouri-St. Louis

Business alumnus Tom Santel named executive director of Civic Progress*

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Lawmakers press Missouri governor probe despite dropped case

The Associated Press (via ABC News) - May 15, 2018
A felony conviction related to sexual misconduct would have almost assured Greitens' impeachment, said Dave Robertson, chair of the political science department at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Chronicle of Higher Education

New Evidence Adds to Troubling Picture for Black Borrowers of Student Loans
Chronicle of Higher Education – May 15, 2018
For years, experts have worried about the disproportionate level of student-loan debt borne by black students. Two new sources of evidence — federal data and a report on a controversial federal-student-loan program — add to an already disturbing picture.

*Story generated by efforts of the university’s PR team.*