News Updates

MU to announce record-breaking fundraising numbers
KOMU – July 11, 2018
The University of Missouri will make an announcement Wednesday about record-breaking fundraising through its "Our Time to Lead" campaign. Story also ran on KMIZ.

Third lawsuit filed over MU biojoint surgery
Columbia Daily Tribune – July 10, 2018
A patient who learned in April that the Mizzou Biojoint surgeries performed on both his knees had failed is the third person to file a lawsuit alleging medical malpractice and misleading advertising that failed to disclose the procedure is experimental.

Columbia residents provide feedback on proposed cross-country course
Columbia Missourian – July 10, 2018
A 2015 park sales tax is the source of initial funding for the project, which is still in the planning stages. Its budget is $200,000. MU Athletics will provide funds for additional amenities, according to the Parks Department website.

Hannibal program seeks to expose medical students to rural areas
Hannibal Courier-Post, Hannibal, MO – July 10, 2018
From July 9 through 12, 19 students pursuing health careers will gather in Hannibal as part of the second annual MU Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Rural Immersion Program. The four-day experience is designed for health professions students who are interested in living and working in a rural area.

Will Claire McCaskill back Trump's Supreme Court pick? Her path is 'risky,' experts say
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield, MO - July 10, 2018
"Kavanaugh is clearly a conservative justice and liberals can find plenty in his opinions to make them unhappy," said Peverill Squire, a political science professor at the University of Missouri-Columbia. "But he does not have a glaring weakness that would make it easy for McCaskill to oppose him."

University of Missouri-Kansas City
UMKC students mourn loss of popular schoolmate: 'We should all be more like Sharath'
The Kansas City Star – July 10, 2018
A gathering on campus was called by Kevin Truman, UMKC Dean of the School of Computing and Engineering, who talked with students about safety.

Editorial: Fatal shooting of UMKC student from India tells the world KC is dangerous
The Kansas City Star – July 10, 2018
A gunshot reverberating around the world. News that the University of Missouri-Kansas City student was gunned down in an apparent robbery.

Fatal shooting victim described as brilliant student at UMKC
KSHB 41 Kansas City – July 9, 2018
Friends and UMKC's School of Computing and Engineering faculty describe Sharath Koppu as a brilliant and an exceptional student.

Family of slain UMKC students asks for help to identify shooter
Fox 4 KC – July 9, 2018
The family of a murdered UMKC student are asking for help. They need to identify the man who police say killed Sharath Koppu on July 7.

Kansas City Police search for suspect in UMKC student's death
KCUR – July 9, 2018
Kansas City police are offering a $10,000 reward for tips leading to an arrest in the shooting death of a UMKC student Friday.

Chancellor: UMKC Athletics Needs 'Working Blueprint' For Future Before AD Search
KCUR-FM (NPR), Kansas City, MO – July 10, 2018
UMKC's new chancellor won't start the search for a new athletics director until he sees a "working blueprint for the future," he said Tuesday. C. Mauli Agrawal issued a statement about the athletics department, which is in transition after athletics director Carla Wilson was reassigned last week to the chancellor's office, where she'll be the senior director of student support services.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

Missouri S&T receives largest gift in their history*
Salem News – July 10
Missouri University of Science and Technology has received the largest gift in its history: an in-kind donation of proprietary seismic data valued at $6.5 million from Calico Jack Holdings LLC and Zion Energy LLC, both Houston-based oil and gas exploration companies.

10 Exceptional Students Awarded Scholarships by Honeywell and Horatio Alger Association to Pursue STEM Careers
Houston Chronicle – July 10
Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc., a nonprofit educational organization honoring the achievements of outstanding individuals and encouraging youth to pursue their dreams through higher education, today announced that 10 students pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) will receive scholarships of $10,000...
University of Missouri-St. Louis

A crash course in customer service: Taylor ‘DeeDee’ Effinger experiences Disney magic in semester-long program*

UMSL Daily - July 10, 2018
She wasn’t a child watching the classic animated film or even a teenager viewing Rodgers and Hammerstein’s musical adaptation when the emotion struck. Instead, she was a University of Missouri–St. Louis student watching an actress waltz through Disney’s Grand Floridian Resort & Spa.

Will Claire McCaskill back Trump's Supreme Court pick? Her path is 'risky,' experts say
Springfield News-Leader - July 10, 2018
Dave Robertson, who chairs the University of Missouri-St. Louis' political science department, said opposing Kavanaugh could be easier for McCaskill given her prior opposition to Gorsuch.

Stenger's only council ally faces two challengers in Democratic primary
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - July 10, 2018
Clancy, 33, of Maplewood, is the associate director of the Public Policy Research Center at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She has never run for office but worked on U.S. Sen. Claire McCaskill’s campaign in 2006 and later interned in her office in Washington. Clancy is also president of the Hadley Township Democrat Club.

‘From Start to Finnish’ July 15
The Source - July 10, 2018
The Gateway Festival Orchestra is conducted by James Richards, the Founders Professor of Music at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. The orchestra was established in 1964 by conductor William Schatzkamer, professor emeritus in piano at Washington University’s Department of Music in Arts & Sciences, and other local musicians, in part to provide summer employment to members of the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra.

Higher Education

This Professor Made Up a Job Offer From Another University. Now He Faces a Criminal Charge.
The Chronicle of Higher Education – July 9, 2018
In January 2015, Brian R. McNaughton, an associate professor at Colorado State University, sent his administration an offer letter he’d received from another university. McNaughton now faces a criminal charge of attempting to influence a public official for allegedly falsifying an offer letter from the University of Minnesota. He has since resigned from his position at Colorado State.

Temple Dean Out for Falsifying School Ranking Data
Philadelphia Magazine – July 10, 2018
Moshe Porat, former Dean of Temple University’s Fox School of Business, was officially forced out of the role on Monday. The ousting follows the release of an investigative report that says the school intentionally provided false information to U.S. News to gain a No. 1 ranking for its online MBA program over the past few years.
*Story generated by efforts of the university’s PR team.*