News Updates

Former Mizzou guard found not responsible of rape allegations in Title IX investigation, he says
NBC Sports – July 26, 2018
Terrence Phillips, who was dismissed from the University of Missouri basketball team in February after being accused of wrongdoing by four women, was "found responsible for intimate partner violence" and "not responsible" for allegations of "sexual misconduct, rape, exploitation, and stalking," after a university Title IX investigation, he said in a statement Thursday. Similar story ran on Yahoo! Sports.

Former player says Mizzou cleared him of rape, stalking allegations in Title IX cases
The Kansas City Star - July 26, 2018
The University of Missouri has closed its investigation of Terrence Phillips and did not find enough evidence to support allegations of rape, stalking and sexual misconduct, the former MU basketball player told The Star on Thursday. Similar stories ran in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Columbia Missourian and KMIZ.

Police investigate accidental shooting
KMIZ – July 26, 2017
Columbia police investigated an accidental shooting Thursday night. The University of Missouri Police Department and the Columbia Police Department responded to the South Providence Medical Park at Providence and Southampton before 9 p.m.

MU Health Care to Discuss Opioid Program
KBIA - July 26, 2018
MU Health Care representatives will get together with 4th District Congresswoman Vicky Hartzler on Monday afternoon to talk about the status of a medication-assisted opioid recovery program.

Missouri could offset carbon emissions from agriculture by conserving the soil, report says
St. Louis Public Radio – July 27, 2018
Half of Missouri’s farmers are already practicing no-till farming, said Ray Massey, a University of Missouri economist who communicates with farmers about conservation practices. “[The report] doesn’t give credit for the work that farmers have already done,” Massey said.

Will socialists energize county Democrats or Republicans?
Columbia Daily Tribune – July 26, 2018
The meeting had been moved from its original location of Daniel Boone Regional Library to a room in Middlebush Hall at the University of Missouri. As that room filled up, the meeting moved to a larger room. There’s also a student socialists group at MU.
University of Missouri System

Board of Curators formally approve 'one-system rule'
Columbia Daily Tribune – July 26, 2018
The UM System Board of Curators Thursday clarified, reaffirmed and updated its commitment to operating the four campuses it oversees as one cohesive system. In 1967, the board passed collected rules and regulations 20.010, which defined the UM System as "one university."

Curators approve new rules on leadership roles
Columbia Daily Tribune - July 26, 2018
Revised rules defining the roles of the University of Missouri Board of Curators, president and chancellors are intended to create a more unified system with stronger central direction without imposing a dictatorship, the consultant guiding the six-month process said Thursday.

University of Missouri-Kansas City

Diversity Works: Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce Ace Awards*
UMKC Today – July 25, 2018
University of Missouri-Kansas City Vice Chancellor of Diversity and Inclusion Susan Wilson was one of three leaders honored with the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce Ace Award at the annual Power of Diversity Breakfast July 25.

Expanding the streetcar to UMKC would connect all of Kansas City*
The Kansas City Star – July 26, 2018
Special to The Star by UMKC Chancellor C. Mauli Agrawal: My goal for Kansas City’s university — the University of Missouri-Kansas City — is for UMKC to be woven deeply and broadly into the very fabric of this great community.

Missouri Technology Corporation grapples with another year of state funding cuts
Missouri Business Alert – July 25, 2018
The MTC reduced funding for the innovation centers, which include the Missouri Innovation Center in Columbia, the UMKC Innovation Center in Kansas City and the Innovation Stockyard in St. Joseph, by 20 percent last fiscal year, and Anderson said he anticipates this year’s cuts to impact the program again.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

Missouri S&T Civil Engineering Professor Preaches Midwest Tornado Preparation*
Insurance News Net – July 26
Missouri University of Science and Technology issued the following news release: Growing up in northeast China, Growing up in northeast China, Dr. Guirong (Grace) Yan didn't see many tornados in a country where the number of documented twisters is a fraction of those that hit the United States. But as her academic career took Yan to several postdoctoral fellowships and then faculty positions in Indiana, Missouri and Texas, the assistant professor of structural engineering at Missouri S&T gradually found her calling.

Explosives engineering research could boost coal mine safety*
Coal Zoom – July 26
Mining engineering researchers at Missouri S&T plan to use explosives combined with common mining materials to test how well concrete seals in coal mine tunnels withstand high-speed projectiles. Their research could lead to improved designs of seals, which could improve coal mine safety.
Across the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Argonne National Laboratory, teams are tackling different scientific problems associated with additive manufacturing, often referred to as 3-D printing, so as to advance our understanding of the process that could revolutionize manufacturing. At Argonne’s Advanced Photon Source (APS), a DOE Office of Science User Facility, a team led by APS physicist Tao Sun and Missouri University of Science and Technology professor Lianyi Chen recently completed a study that identifies possible ways to reduce powder “spattering,” which can result in defects in the finished product.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

Social work student rises from Blood gang to pursue college degree*
UMSL Daily - July 26, 2018
As social work student Harold Crawford sits in the lounge of Bellerive Hall at the University of Missouri–St. Louis, he sports dark jeans and a black YouthBuild T-shirt from a recent two-year internship at the St. Louis organization focused on helping at-risk youth.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

A Crowdsourced Tool Helps Princeton Students Learn the ‘Invisible Rules’ of College
The Chronicle of Higher Education – July 26, 2018
Compared with other challenges professors face in the digital age, RateMyProfessors.com seems rather quaint... That could mean making former students’ course evaluations available to current students. Some colleges already do that, but professors told me that even then the information can be hard to find.

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