Mizzou News Updates

Critics say fraternities are beyond hope. Mizzou is trying to prove them wrong
The Kansas City Star - August 19, 2018
It was the spring of 2017, and Tarantino was serving his first semester as president of the student-led Interfraternity Council that governs 27 of the University of Missouri’s fraternities.

Reuben Faloughi returns to MU campus to inspire advocacy
Columbia Missourian - August 18, 2018
Faloughi, a sixth-year doctoral candidate in psychology at MU, became one of the many faces of activism on MU’s campus after Michael Brown was killed by a Ferguson police officer in 2014.

MU police seek man in connection with alleged sex offense during concert*
The Kansas City Star - August 19, 2018
The University of Missouri Police Department is asking the public’s help identifying a man who is wanted in connection with a reported sex offense at a concert on the Columbia campus Saturday night.
Similar stories ran in local and state outlets, including KCTV-5, KRCG, KMIZ and KOMU.

Columbia police investigate burglary at off-campus MU sorority *
KRCG News - August 18, 2018
The Columbia Police Department was investigating an early morning burglary at a University of Missouri off-campus sorority house.

Police investigate attempted sorority burglary at MU*
KOMU.com - August 18, 2018
The Columbia Police Department is investigating an attempted burglary of an off-campus sorority house near MU.

Columbia police investigating attempted burglary at Greektown sorority house*
Columbia Missourian - August 18, 2018
A man entered an off-campus sorority house in Greektown through an unlocked door early Saturday morning, according to an MU Police Department release.

Columbia police investigate burglary at Mizzou off-campus sorority house*
ABC 17 News - August 18, 2018
The University of Missouri Police Department sent an alert Saturday morning, warning students that an off-campus sorority has been burglarized.
Police: No reports of stalking at Mizzou
KSDK.com - August 18, 2018
The university and Columbia police said they don't have any reports of human trafficking activity or attempts in the area.

Columbia Police Department will increase patrols downtown Friday
ABC 17 News - August 17, 2018
A city spokesperson said Friday that the extra patrols are not just because of the recent shootings, but also because the college students are back in town. He said officials with the city have also spoken to MU on how best to use mass emergency alert systems.

Soy, Not Cow’s Milk, Improves Bone Health in Post-Menopausal Women*
LIVEKINDLY - August 17, 2018
The study, conducted by researchers at the University of Missouri-Columbia, also suggested that soy may improve bone strength for pre-menopausal cisgendered women.

Study shows bountiful Acadian flycatcher could face extinction this century*
Columbia Missourian – August 19, 2018
"Well, if we could see major impacts and people realize that even common species that we might take for granted are threatened by climate change,” said Bonnot, a researcher in the MU School of Natural Resources and a fellow with the Northeast Climate Adaptation Science Center.

Gift of Body brings humanity to the lab
Columbia Missourian – Aug. 18, 2018
Pinzke was at the MU School of Medicine on Friday as part of a commemoration ceremony held by the Gift of Body Program. She and other family members met the students who benefited when their loved ones donated their bodies to science. Students learned the life stories behind the donors who had already taught them so much.

Would 'Engelsism' be a more accurate name for Marxism?
BBC News Northern Ireland - August 20, 2018
So aren’t we using Engels’s name for the ideology? University of Missouri history professor Jonathan Sperber explains.

Low pay has teachers flocking to the sharing economy
Money - MSN.com - August 19, 2018
Some economists who study the teaching force, like the University of Missouri’s Michael Podgursky, argue that this flexibility, and not a need for supplemental income, is the key driver behind the trend.

Go Baby Go: Program modifies toy cars for special needs children - KMOV.com
KMOV.com - August 17, 2018
After a discussion with the Cerebral Palsy Clinic at Children's Hospital, Lewis reached out to Mizzou's Chapter of Go Baby Go. The program originally started at the university by Dr. Bill Janes.

Questions surface over Republican State Auditor nominee's eligibility to hold office
KY3 - August 17, 2018
"It seems to me that, at least on the face of it, she's pretty clearly in violation of the Missouri Constitution," said Frank Bowman, Professor of Law at the University of Missouri.

US seed sellers push for limits on Monsanto, BASF weed killer
Business World Online - August 19, 2018
Problems have not gone away. As of July 15, the University of Missouri estimated that more than a million acres of non-resistant soybeans were hurt by dicamba.

MU English professor pens memoir about life at Mojave desert missile factory
Columbia Missourian - August 17, 2018
Piper, while on sabbatical from her position as an MU English professor to research a new book, has retreated to the Seattle home she shares with her mother, Mary.

University of Missouri-Kansas City
You're a Lawyer, But Can You Run A Law Firm?
Bloomberg Law – Aug. 16, 2018
The University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law recognized the need for small-firm management training with its Solo and Small Firm Practice Program.

UMKC women's soccer team features pool of local talent
KMBC – Aug. 17, 2018
UMKC's women's soccer team opens its season Friday. The team features soccer standouts from across the metro.

Childhood exposure to secondhand smoke linked to adult lung disease
The Portland Press Herald – Aug. 16, 2018
"There is evidence that secondhand smoke is even more detrimental than smoking. A lot of cigarettes have filters. So (secondhand smoke) can be more detrimental in that regard," said Geetha Raghuveer, a pediatric cardiologist at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine.

This story has been covered by numerous news outlets throughout the week.

FBI answers lead to more questions on how felon passed background check to buy gun
Fox4KC – Aug. 16, 2018
Police say 25-year-old Marlin Mack shot and killed UMKC graduate student Sharath Koppu on July 6 near 54th and Prospect during an attempted robbery.
Authorities must prosecute gun buyers who lie during background checks
The Kansas City Star – Aug. 16, 2018
Marlin Mack Jr. died after a gun battle with Kansas City police on July 15. He was a “person of interest” in the murder of Sharath Koppu, a UMKC student who was killed at a restaurant near 54th and Prospect in early July.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

Business Bulletin Board*
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Aug. 17, 2018
Nidec Motor Corp. donated $100,000 to the Missouri University of Science & Technology to fund the relocation and expansion of the undergraduate power lab in the electrical and computer engineering department and support equipment upgrades in the lab.

Study: Credit cards carry more types of bacteria than coins, cash
CreditCards.com - Aug. 17, 2018
David Westenberg, associate professor of biological sciences at Missouri University of Science and Technology, said that while cash, cards and tablets can pick up bacteria from human skin, the microbes can’t thrive there because there’s no food source. "It takes quite a few microbes to be ingested before you actually get sick, so it’s not something I would equate with being ‘dirty,’” Westenberg said. "It’s just that they are good surfaces that will pick up microbes because they’re handled frequently.”

Missouri S&T chemist rolls the dice to better identify chiral molecules in drugs*
Phelps County Focus - Aug. 17, 2017
“High risk, high reward” is the kind of discovery Dr. Garry Grubbs seeks with a new experiment designed to rapidly identify the atomic structure of chiral molecules widely used in pharmaceutical drugs. ... Grubbs, an assistant professor of chemistry at Missouri University of Science and Technology, received nearly $60,000 in July from the National Science Foundation as an early-concept “EAGER” grant for his experiment.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

Education alumnus named superintendent of Pattonville School District*
UML DAILY - August 17, 2018
When he first started college, Tim Pecoraro thought he wanted to be a high school social studies teacher and wrestling coach. But after transferring to the University of Missouri–St. Louis, Pecoraro realized a couple of things.

Joint engineering student Thomas Poon strides into leadership*
UML DAILY - August 17, 2018
Poon said his running background conditioned him for academic and leadership success at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Beth Goetz begins role as athletic director, hopes to build on strong history
Ball State Daily News - August 17, 2018
After a 12-year coaching stint at UMSL, Goetz gained an interest in the administrative side of sports, which led her to the associate athletic director position at Butler University.

UNCF Inaugural Leaders’ Breakfast Succeeds with Longtime Supporter Cedric the Entertainer Serving as Co-Chair
The Charleston Chronicle - August 19, 2018
The event was made possible with support from sponsors Monsanto, Ameren Missouri, the Saint Louis Fashion Fund, Gene Slay’s Girls and Boys Club, Regions Bank, the Jennings School District, Ascension, PepsiCo and the University of Missouri-St. Louis.
Schlegel attends Public Policy Certification program
Hays Post - August 19, 2018
The conference included education courses in policy and management offered by the Public Policy Administration program at the University of Missouri-St. Louis (UMSL) as part of the university’s Chancellor’s Certificate program and in partnership with NACCTFO.

Race for Crestwood mayor gets competitive
Call Newspapers - August 17, 2018
He attended the University of Missouri-St. Louis for his undergraduate degree in public administration and then earned an MBA in finance from Webster University.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

Chronicle of Higher Education – August 19, 2018
The Princeton Review, a major test-preparation and tutoring company, has laid off numerous employees this year as part of a “corporate review and reorganization process.” In a written statement provided to The Chronicle, Sangje Lee, the new chief executive officer, said the company had “eliminated positions and reduced other expenditures” in an attempt to ensure its “financial health.”

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