Mizzou News Updates

Fascism and the University
The Chronicle of Higher Education – September 2, 2018
In 2015 the Black Lives Matter movement spread to university campuses. Given that Black Lives Matter gained strength after Michael Brown was killed in Ferguson, Mo., it is no surprise that the first campus it touched was the University of Missouri at Columbia. The Missouri student movement was named Concerned Student 1950, after the year in which the University of Missouri was desegregated. Among its aims was to address the incidents of racial abuse faced by black students on a regular basis, as well as to change curricula that represented culture and civilization as the product solely of white men. The media largely ignored those motivations, and, representing protesting black students as an angry mob, used the situation as an opportunity to foment rage against the supposed liberal excesses of the university.

Sexual assault reported at University of Missouri residence hall
The Kansas City Star - September 2, 2018
The University of Missouri Police Department is investigating a reported sexual assault in one of the university’s residence halls last week.
Similar stories ran in several local and state outlets, including KOMU, the Columbia Missourian and ABC 17 News.

University of Missouri offers new safety app for students*
ABC 17 News - September 2, 2018
The University of Missouri is now promoting a new application aimed at increasing the safety of students walking on or off campus.

KU fraternity freshmen get a reminder on how to behave
The Kansas City Star - September 3, 2018
A couple hours down Interstate 70, the University of Missouri is working with fraternity and sorority leaders to reform the system.

Hard Copy or Electronic Textbooks? Professors Are More Concerned About Keeping Them Affordable
The Chronicle of Higher Education - August 31, 2018
Oded Gurantz, an assistant professor in the University of Missouri at Columbia’s Truman School of Public Affairs, is teaching an introductory statistics class this semester. He’s designed the class to be textbook-free, he said.

As temperatures rose on Saturday, football fans dropped
As Marching Mizzou band members and football fans alike fainted during Saturday’s home opener against UT-Martin, first-aid stations provided some relief.

MU Health Care doctors warn football fans of heat illness during first Mizzou game
ABC 17 News - September 1, 2018
The heat indices were near 100 degrees, and doctors with MU Health Care urged fans to take precautions to prevent heat-related illnesses.

Former student found guilty of rape at University of Missouri
Columbia Daily Tribune - August 31, 2018
A Boone County jury on Friday found a former University of Missouri student guilty of raping a woman in a residence hall in 2016.

Owls released back into wild get new lease on life*
Columbia Missourian – September 2, 2018
The Raptor Rehabilitation Project is an organization of MU’s College of Veterinary Medicine that works to assist injured birds of prey. Raptor Rehabilitation Project Coordinator Abigail Rainwater said the organization treats roughly 100 birds every year.

'This threat is significant': Study predicts dismal fate of songbirds as result of climate change*
The Joplin Globe - September 1, 2018
"Once we saw this (projection), we saw a species that declined by more than 90 percent in 90 years," said Thomas Bonnot, the study’s lead author and an assistant research professor at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Is there life outside Chernobyl’s radioactive zone? Ecologist talks research from trip*
WGN Radio - September 1, 2018
Mike Byrne, assistant professor at the University of Missouri for the School of Natural Resources visited Chernobyl in the fall of 2014.

Repressive Experiences 'Rare but Real' in China Studies
Inside Higher Ed - September 4, 2018
Scholars encounter real consequences for conducting certain research in China, and these risks are higher for both Chinese researchers, and the Chinese colleagues and interlocutors who interact with foreign scholars,” Sheena Chestnut Greitens, an assistant professor of political science at the University of Missouri, and Rory Truex, an assistant professor of politics and international affairs at Princeton University, write in a paper outlining the results of their survey.

Mid-Missouri Business Week: Bull economy reflects fewer business regulations
ABC 17 News - September 1, 2018
ABC 17’s Deborah Kendrick sat down with Dr. Joseph Haslag, the director of the Economic and Policy Analysis and Research Center at the University of Missouri, to talk about this bull market.

Want to minimize jet lag? Here’s what the doctors order.
Colorado Springs Gazette - September 3, 2018
While travel may make those rhythms hurly-burly, you can get them on track with exposure to or avoidance of light, says Pradeep Bollu, associate director of the University of Missouri Health Care Sleep Disorders Center.

As harvest begins, effects of Missouri drought evident
Sedalia Democrat – September 3, 2018
In dealing with drought conditions, livestock producers need to be flexible in their management responses, according to University of Missouri Extension Livestock Specialist Eugene Schmitz.

Pay equity for women overdue for new focus
St. Joseph News Press – September 3, 2018
The Pay Equity Best Practices Guidelines were commissioned by the Women’s Foundation with the University of Missouri’s Institute of Public Policy and provide best practices for reaching gender pay equity.

Annual Field Day at research center returns
The Joplin Globe - September 3, 2018
An annual tradition that draws a crowd to learn about agricultural topics — Field Day at the University of Missouri’s Southwest Research Center — is set for Thursday, Sept. 13.

Silent Sam may speak loudly in national conversation on free speech
Carolina Journal Online - September 4, 2018
In 2015, the University of Missouri faced upheaval after students launched campus protests linked to race and workplace benefits.

University of Missouri System

New state website aims to show how Missouri’s government spends money
St. Louis Public Radio - September 2, 2018
Show-Me Checkbook does not include data from the University of Missouri System or other universities, aside from how much money the legislature puts in their budgets.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

Artist doesn’t like war, but he uses it to show people’s emotions*
Phelps County Focus- Aug. 31, 2018
Rolla artist Dan Woodward, who served in Vietnam in the 101st Airborne, has never been fond of war. ... [But] Civil War art has given him opportunities to explore—and express—strong human emotions related to war, all of which were evident for the past
months on the walls of the second floor of the Curtis Laws Wilson Library on the campus of the Missouri University of Science and Technology.

Tuesday: Living with breast cancer – and talking about it
St. Louis Public Radio - Aug. 31, 2018
On Tuesday's St. Louis on the Air, host Don Marsh will discuss how one local woman has begun documenting her journey living with breast cancer and opening up about her experience since receiving a difficult diagnosis two months ago. Joining the conversation will be Jossalyn Larson, who is a professor of English at Missouri S&T.

Grand marshal is 'hometown boy'
Farmington Daily Journal - Sept. 3, 2018
When the 2018 Desloge Labor Day Parade begins its winding route through town at 9 a.m. former Air Force officer and community volunteer David (Dave) Shaw will be smiling and waving to the crowd as he serves as this year's grand marshal. ... He next planned to attend the University of Missouri-Rolla — now Missouri University of Science and Technology — but had a last-minute change of mind.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

Criminologist Heidi Grundetjern to receive King’s Gold Medal for doctoral research in Oslo*
UMSL Daily - August 31,2018
Grundetjern, an assistant professor of criminology and criminal justice at the University of Missouri–St. Louis, isn't ordinarily one for grand events, but she didn't hide her excitement about his one.

Alumna Kellyn Holliday embraces the analytical side of social work with help from UMSL*
UMSL Daily - August 31, 2018
University of Missouri–St. Louis Associate Teaching Professor Linda Wells-Glover says that most of her undergraduate social work students view research as something compulsory rather than enjoyable.

UMSL alumni gather in Denver to reminisce as they cheer on Cardinals*
UMSL Daily - August 31, 2018
The St. Louis Cardinals topped the Colorado Rockies 12-3 last Sunday, but the game would have been a victory for Denver-based alumni of the University of Missouri–St. Louis with any outcome.

How big is Missouri’s Senate race? It’s the top target of outside spending, nationwide
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Aug. 31, 2018
"Missouri is attracting a lot of outside spending because it has been seen by leaders of both parties as a seat where a Democratic incumbent could be defeated, and that a defeat of McCaskill could help the Republicans hold a slim majority in the U.S. Senate,” said Dave Robertson, head of the Department of Political Science at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. “That matters a lot because only the Senate confirms presidential nominees for positions in the Cabinet and on federal courts.”

A fond farewell to retiring executive producer Mary Edwards
St. Louis Public Radio - August 31, 2018
Edwards, who came to the station in 1974 after earning her bachelor's degree in music from the University of Missouri-St. Louis, was inducted into the St. Louis Media Hall of Fame last year. She started as a music assistant and held positions including music director, program director, production manager and operations manager.

Harris Stowe University Coca-Cola ‘Dear Future St. Louis’ grant opportunity
Additional events this week will be at Washington University and the University of Missouri, St Louis.

Higher Education

Confederate Statue Should Return to UNC Campus, Chancellor Says, but at a Different Location
The Chronicle of Higher Education – August 31, 2018
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill should move Silent Sam, the controversial Confederate statue toppled by protesters this month, to a different spot on the campus, said Carol L. Folt, the university’s chancellor, in a written statement on Friday.

In Race for Students, Colleges Offer to Match Tuition at Rival Schools
Wall Street Journal – September 3, 2018
Escalating the heated battle for students, some private colleges are offering to match public in-state tuition.

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