Mizzou News Updates

Research reactor powers life-saving research at MU*
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - September 24, 2018
For more than 50 years, the University of Missouri Research Reactor has promoted ground-breaking research and life-saving radiopharmaceuticals, providing benefits to people across the country and around the world.

What it means to be black in Columbia
Vox Magazine – September 20, 2018
I first visited MU during my senior year of high school in 2013 to interview for the George C. Brooks Scholarship. The award is designed to recruit and retain undergraduate students from underrepresented ethnic groups, and the majority of my fellow candidates were black.

OPINION: Educators must prepare for the dismantling of affirmative action
The Hechinger Report - September 24, 2018
That same year, students at the University of Missouri went on hunger strikes, and the school’s football team threatened to boycott a big game, as part of calling for the resignation of then-president Tim Wolfe when he refused to address issues of overt systemic racism at the university, including name-calling, public verbal attacks on students of color and Nazi graffiti on school walls.

MU student wants to ensure Mizzou Rec posts, enforces dress code fairly
Columbia Missourian - September 24, 2018
Murry gave her account to a representative of MU's Office for Civil Rights & Title IX in a conflict resolution meeting Sept. 4 with Mizzou Rec staff members.

Hearnes Center damage tops $100,000
Columbia Daily Tribune - September 24, 2018
A broken water main that flooded the playing surface at the Hearnes Center caused more than $100,000 damage but the full cost won’t be known until the floor is removed and an inspection is made, University of Missouri officials said Monday. A similar story ran on KBIA.

Loved ones mourn the loss of MU student
KOMU News – September 24, 2018
Friends and loved ones of MU student Perri A. Jones mourned the loss of Jones at a vigil Monday. The event was held at MU's Black Culture Center.
A new federal grant will allow University of Missouri Extension to provide strength training and other programs designed to help older adults decrease their fear of falling and live independently. The $500,000 grant from the Administration for Community Living, an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, will provide help to about 6,000 Missourians, a news release issued Monday stated.

According to research from the University of Missouri, running may actually have more of an impact on building stronger bones than resistance training,

More striking, researchers at the University of Missouri found that non-exercisers who spent little time sitting burned more calories than folks who ran 35 miles a week but were otherwise sedentary.

The University of Missouri created the Quality Beef program before it was acquired by Square B Ranch.

Boone County Clerk, Taylor Burks, spent National Voter Registration Day on the University of Missouri campus helping students learn how to register.

Each campus in the University of Missouri System has promoted entrepreneurship in recent years. In a new program, students at all four schools will simultaneously work together and compete against each other to learn entrepreneurial skills.

University of Missouri-Kansas City

Student entrepreneurs in the University of Missouri System could earn up to $30,000 in prize money thanks to a new system-wide initiative known as the Entrepreneur Quest Student Accelerator.

LGBT Missourians deserve equal playing field under the law
Missouri University of Science and Technology

Propelled to success: Local family business makes world-renowned propellers
Phelps County Focus – September 23, 2018
If you have ever seen the movies, “Amelia” or “Flyboys,” you may not have known, but some of the propellers on the aircraft in the films were made right here in Phelps County… “My grandpa was a crop duster...he earned his mechanical engineering degree from the Missouri School of Mines (now called Missouri University of Science and Technology),” Alaina said.

How to be an entrepreneur, step by step: Program targets all UM students
Columbia Missourian – September 24, 2018
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University of Missouri-St. Louis

Internship & Job Fair gives UMSL students a head start on their careers*
UMSL Daily - September 24, 2018
Pamela Young went to numerous job fairs when she was a student at the University of Missouri–St. Louis, but found chances to meet with companies that needed biology majors lacking.

Hillel International chapter begins serving students at UMSL*
UMSL Daily - September 24, 2018
They now are both working to establish that same sense of community on campus at the University of Missouri–St. Louis, which was awarded its own Hillel chapter in January. The chapter has begun operating this semester with Woolf serving as its part-time executive director and Kosnik, an associate professor in the Department of Economics, acting as its adviser.

Inaugural World Languages Day encourages area high school students to continue studies*
UMSL Daily - September 24, 2018
Not to worry, though. The hammers were plastic and part of a Japanese toy called rock paper scissors hammer helmet. The two demonstrated it to a group of St. Louis-area high school students as part of the University of Missouri–St. Louis’ World Languages Day.

Chancellor Tom George’s latest book aims to teach chemistry to students in other STEM disciplines*
UMSL Daily - September 24, 2018
University of Missouri–St. Louis Calhoun has authored a textbook entitled “Understanding Molecules: Lectures on Chemistry for Physicists and Engineers,” published in 2018 by Taylor & Francis Group. His co-author is Professor Franco Battaglia from Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia, Italy.

Violent crime increases by 7 percent in St. Louis between 2016 and 2017, according to new FBI data
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - September 24, 2018
But the news is not all doom and gloom, according to Rick Rosenfeld, a professor emeritus of criminology at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. He specializes in studying FBI crime data.

Murders Declined in 2017, Ending Two-Year Rise, FBI Data Show
The Wall Street Journal - September 24, 2018
Richard Rosenfeld, a professor emeritus at University of Missouri-St. Louis, said that police shootings of unarmed black men and the protests that followed three years ago led to a decline in police legitimacy in some African-American communities.

Jefferson County will be pivotal in McCaskill-Hawley U.S. Senate contest
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - September 24, 2018
Dave Robertson, political scientist at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, said Trump winning two-thirds of the vote “has to be of great concern” to McCaskill, “who needs to have votes in Jefferson County.”

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Throughout October, professors from Missouri University of Science and Technology, the University of Missouri-Kansas City, the University of Missouri-St. Louis and MU will lead workshops for all participants. Students will discuss their ideas, write on a business model canvas and complete their applications.

Higher Education

How Well Does Your Public University Treat Black Students? New Effort Assigns Grades, State by State
Chronicle of Higher Education – September 25, 2018
Black public-university students in two states with the highest percentage of African-American residents are among the most disadvantaged nationwide, according to a new report that grades both public universities and states on how well they attract and graduate black students.

President Apologizes for Drinking From Beer Bong
Inside Higher Education – September 25, 2018
NO MU MENTION. Carlos Vargas, the president of Southeast Missouri State University, apologized Saturday for drinking from a beer bong during a tailgate party after videos of the spectacle made the rounds on social media, the Kansas City Star reported. In his statement, Vargas said that his actions projected an image "I am not proud of, is not flattering, and certainly not expected from the president of Southeast Missouri State University."

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