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[Report highlights crumbling higher education conditions](#)

Columbia Missourian - November 28, 2018

The state's flagship **University of Missouri** campus in Columbia needs an estimated \$404.2 million for maintenance, according to the report. Despite new facilities being built on the Columbia campus in recent years, the report shows over 40 percent of the classrooms and other facilities on the main campus have not had a major renovation in more than 50 years. An additional 28 percent of the buildings have not had a major renovation in more than 25 years.

This AP story also ran in several other outlets across the country.

[New report says MU has more than \\$700 million in facilities needs](#)

ABC 17 News - November 28, 2018

A new report from the Missouri Department of Higher Education says the **University of Missouri** has more than \$700 million in facilities needs. The report also says more than 40 percent of education and general buildings on **MU's** campus have not been renovated in 50 years. **MU** spokesperson Christian Basi said the university revamped its renovation strategy back in 2009 and adopted the **Mizzou** Stewardship Model. Under that model, Basi said **Mizzou** officials decide which buildings should be completely renovated or removed instead of simply spending money on small repairs.

[Another annoying KU boast](#)

Columbia Daily Tribune - November 28, 2018

National Cancer Institute status is not currently within reach because of limited research funding at **Mizzou**. A major factor in becoming an NCI Cancer Center is the amount of competitively-awarded research dollars granted to faculty through a formidable application process. Medical school faculty members at KU receive over twice as many National Institutes of Health research dollars as their **MU** counterparts.

[MU seeks public input on proposed changes to Greek Life policies](#)

Columbia Missourian - November 28, 2018

Before officially revising any of **MU's** Greek Life policies, university officials want more input on proposed changes. A public forum to discuss the changes will be held at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Wrench Auditorium in Memorial Student Union. Speakers will include **MU** Chancellor Alexander Cartwright.

[MU 'closely watching' comments as it reviews proposed Title IX changes](#)

Columbia Missourian - November 28, 2018

MU is reviewing proposed changes to the way campus sexual assault cases are handled. "We are currently reviewing the proposed regulations and will be watching the comments very closely," **MU** spokeswoman Liz McCune wrote in an email. "When final rules are shared, we will see if we need to make any changes."

This story also ran in the [Bonner County Daily Bee](#).

[Lincoln University enrollment down again*](#)

Jefferson City News Tribune - November 29, 2018

Elsewhere in the state, the **University of Missouri-Columbia** — the state's largest four-year campus — reported it was "one of only two Southeastern Conference universities to experience double-digit growth in new freshmen, while several institutions saw declines in their incoming classes this fall." **MU's** freshman enrollment surged by 13 percent.

[Expert: Minimum wage increase has positives, negatives*](#)

ABC 17 News - November 28, 2018

The effects of a state minimum wage increase to \$12 by 2023 will likely be mixed, a local economic expert said Wednesday. According to the **University of Missouri** economics professor Aaron Hedlund, there will be winners in the process. "Some people will keep their jobs and they will get a pay increase and that will be very helpful to them," Hedlund said.

[Center for Body Image Research and Policy aims to promote positive message*](#)

KRCG News - November 28, 2018

The center was created in October, and consists of researchers and professors who aim to conduct studies with hopes of improving physical appearance issues. Director Dr. Ramseyer Winter organized the center, and works in the **University of Missouri College of Environmental Sciences**.

[Building soil fertility costs renters](#)

Missouri Ruralist - November 29, 2018

Potential homeowners delve into many aspects of a property before buying or renting. **University of Missouri** agronomy specialist Pat Miller questions why farmers are not doing the same before they settle on land. "The land's potential to grow crops can vary from shack to mansion," Miller says.

[University Hospital's Expanded and Renovated Emergency Department - Boone County Journal](#)

Boone County Journal - November 28, 2018

University of Missouri Health Care recently unveiled a 16,964-square-foot expansion and renovation of University Hospital's emergency department to meet growing patient volumes. "We've seen steady growth in our emergency department patient volumes at University Hospital during the past five years, with a 28.3 percent increase from 2013 to 2017," said Jonathan Curtright, chief executive officer of **MU Health Care**.

University of Missouri - Kansas City

[Medieval Times has a queen for the first time, but the show is still stuck in the Dark Ages](#)

The Washington Post - November 27, 2018

"It's just another form of objectification, isn't it? To claim that putting a woman on a pedestal gives her power just means that she's standing somewhere where she can't get down without help," said Linda Mitchell, president of the Society for Medieval Feminist Scholarship and a history professor at the **University of Missouri-Kansas City**. "If [Medieval Times] wanted to be more authentic, she would be surrounded by women, her ladies-in-waiting. The women around her would be active and engaged."

[Unicorn Theatre is celebrating 45 seasons](#)

KSHB - November 27, 2018

Cynthia and Heidi Van, Director of the upcoming production "The Wolves," discuss the theatre's legacy. We're also learning about the all-female production of "The Wolves," a collaboration with **UMKC**, running Nov. 28-Dec. 30.

[UMKC Professor and GLAMA Work to Tell Kansas City's LGBT History](#)

University News - November 27, 2018

Austin Williams (right), a **UMKC** professor, directed his documentary "The Ordinance Project" to tell the story of the anti-AIDS discrimination ordinance that passed in Kansas City in June of 1993.

[Telemedicine surging in US but still uncommon](#)

Daily Herald - November 27, 2018

Patients seen by telemedicine are generally satisfied with their care, and telemedicine will continue to become more common as it becomes easier for clinicians to be paid for this type of exam, said Dr. Jay Portnoy of Children's Mercy and the **University of Missouri-Kansas City** School of Medicine.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

[OnlineMasters.com Names Top Master's in Organizational Psychology Programs for 2019](#)

PR Newswire - November 28, 2018

OnlineMasters.com, an industry-leading educational research organization, announces the release of their Best Online Master's in Organizational Psychology Programs for 2019. They have identified the top programs in the nation that are the best in the areas of curriculum quality, program flexibility, affordability, and graduate outcomes. ... **Missouri University of Science and Technology**.

This article appeared on multiple websites.

[Autonomous mining: the challenges of independently minded vehicles](#)

Mining Technology - November 28, 2018

[W]hile mining safety as a whole has improved, a 2016 paper by **Missouri University of Science and Technology** researchers Saeid R. Dindarloo and Elnaz Siami-Irdemoosa, alongside Jonisha P. Pollard of the Pittsburgh branch of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), demonstrated that the interaction between human workers and vehicles still poses a considerable safety threat.

University of Missouri - St. Louis

[Assistant professor uses high-powered computing to mine genetic sources of Alzheimer's](#)

UMSL Daily - November 28, 2018

Climer, an assistant professor of computer science at the **University of Missouri-St. Louis**, watched it all while living with and helping care for her mother-in-law, Muriel Climer, during the final stage of her life.

[Transgender Day of Remembrance promotes education](#)

Webster Journal - November 28, 2018

Hasmik Chakaryan is an assistant professor in the Department of Professional Counseling at Webster and Director of the Clinical Program. Chakaryan also served as a board member at the **University of Missouri St. Louis'** Transgender Spectrum Conference and works with the Metro Trans Umbrella Group. Chakaryan said she believes almost all transgender people have experienced some form of hate.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

[Why One University Is Handing Out Hockey Pucks to Prepare for an Active Shooter](#)

The Chronicle of Higher Education - November 28, 2018

The faculty union and student government at Oakland University have purchased thousands of hockey pucks. The reason: to fight off a school shooter when running or hiding is no longer an option. "Ideally, it would be best if every student in every classroom has one available to them," said Thomas Discenna, president of the faculty union at the Detroit-area college.

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