



Mizzou
University of Missouri

News Updates

[University of Missouri wants feedback on Greek system improvements*](#)

ABC 17 News - December 4, 2018

Mizzou officials presented the recently revised recommendations to a group of about 50 people in Wrench Auditorum Tuesday afternoon. Among the many recommendations (which can be viewed below), the university worked with the Greek community to propose a six-week pledge process.

[New freshmen fraternity rules won't be implemented until 2021, MU says*](#)

Columbia Missourian - December 4, 2018

Freshmen wanting to live in a fraternity house their first semester of Greek life won't have to make any adjustments to their plans — yet. Proposed recommendations to freshman Greek housing at the **University of Missouri** will not be implemented until 2021 instead of the initial 2019 deadline.

[How to handle MU's Greek freshmen remains an issue with draft policy*](#)

Columbia Daily Tribune - December 4, 2018

The revised draft policy, released in October by the **University of Missouri** Fraternity and Sorority Life Advisory Board, will allow initiated freshmen to live in Greek housing their second semester, as long as freshmen constitute no more than 5 percent of residents and they haven't been found responsible for any violations of university policy during their first semester.

[EDITORIAL: KU officials don't like to answer questions. Lawmakers should step in](#)

Kansas City Star and Columbia Missourian - December 4, 2018

No MU Mention - For weeks, a reporter for The Kansas City Star worked to obtain an interview with an official with the KU Student Involvement and Leadership Center. The newspaper was working on a story about fraternities on the campus.'

[MizzouThon raises funding*](#)

ABC 17 News - December 4, 2018

The **University of Missouri** Women's and Children's Hospital is working to upgrade its neo-natal intensive care unit. The hospital got more than \$1.3 million dollars from the student group MizzouThon.

[MizzouThon students pledge \\$1.3 million to MU Women's and Children's Hospital*](#)

The Maneater - December 4, 2018

Chancellor Alexander Cartwright announced **Mizzou**Thon's new five-year pledge of \$1.3 million to the Women's and Children's Hospital on Tuesday, Dec. 4. MizzouThon is a Children's Miracle Network Dance Marathon that started in 2008. Since then, the organization has raised over \$1.6 million. According to Cartwright, it is the largest student-run philanthropy on campus. This past year was its 10-year anniversary and members raised over \$300,000, allowing them to reach the last pledge amount of \$1 million one year early.

[Patients, health providers have many decisions to make before medical marijuana is available](#)

Columbia Missourian - December 4, 2018

Boone Hospital Center is putting together an official statement on its policy toward medical marijuana, and **MU Health Care** is also still in the deliberation process, spokespeople from both hospitals said. Jen Horton, spokeswoman for MU Health said in an email that MU "will be monitoring guidance from the state on this topic and will follow all appropriate laws and regulations."

[Hank's View: For Boone Hospital, time is running out](#)

Columbia Daily Tribune – December 4, 2018

I am not privy to the inside thinking of Boone Hospital trustees, county commissioners and **University of Missouri** curators, but as they keep circling fruitlessly around the issue of future hospital organization and management, the plight of Boone Hospital cascades toward a point of no return that's not good for either party.

[Former Presidential Adviser To Speak At MU About His Work Under Carter](#)

KBIA - December 4, 2018

Former White House official Stuart Eizenstat will be speaking Wednesday at **MU** to promote the release of his new book, "President Carter: The White House Years." Eizenstat will speak from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Room 200 of the Reynolds Journalism Institute at the Missouri School of Journalism. The speech will take place on the national day of mourning for the late former President George H.W. Bush. It was planned "long before" the announcement that the former president had died, according to a news release.

[Campus Activities Programming Board promotes safe practices with Winter Safety Fair](#)

The Maneater - December 4, 2018

As winter comes to campus, the Campus Activities Programming Board brought in a variety of resources to help students stay safe through the season. The Winter Safety Fair was held on the first floor of the **MU** Student Center on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

[Source: UM Board of Curators to discuss Odom's contract](#)

ABC 17 News - December 4, 2018

The **University of Missouri Board of Curators** announced it will hold a special executive session on Wednesday afternoon. A source tells ABC 17 News the meeting is in reference to Mizzou football coach Barry Odom's contract. *A similar story also ran on [KOMU](#).*

[Ex-Clemson QB Kelly Bryant says he's transferring to Missouri](#)

ESPN – December 4, 2018

Former Clemson quarterback Kelly Bryant is heading to the **University of Missouri**. Bryant announced his decision Tuesday night via Twitter, posting a video of game highlights and workouts, along with him reading the poem "The Test of a Man," about overcoming adversity, with the hashtag #ShowMe.

This story ran in multiple media outlets across the country.

University of Missouri System

[466 tenured faculty eligible for university buyouts](#)

The Kansas City Star - December 4, 2018

More than 450 tenured faculty in the **University of Missouri System** are eligible for an employee buyout program. The Columbia Daily Tribune reports the voluntary buyout program announced Friday will provide payments of 1.5 times the faculty member's benefit-eligible salary.

This AP story appeared in 10 other news outlets.

University of Missouri - Kansas City

[Two UMKC Dancers Take The Stage](#)

University News – December 3, 2018

UMKC junior Ava Wichser and senior Jennifer Scholl took part in Nutcracker auditions at UMKC in October, and were ultimately selected to be a part of the show.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

[S&T torches Dragons in Mineral Water Bowl with mid-game explosion](#)

The Rolla Daily News - December 3, 2018

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo. – **Missouri S&T** allowed the first and last scores in Saturday’s Mineral Water Bowl contest with Minnesota State Moorhead – but everything that happened in between went the Miners’ way as they rolled to a 51-16 win in its first post-season contest since 1950.

[Got a home in need of repair? SHS’ new Construction Trades Program looking at projects now](#)

The Salem News - December 4, 2018

Salem High School’s still-developing Construction Trades Program is looking for a few local projects, and that could be good news for you. The CTP advisory council includes Wes Showalter, **Missouri S&T** University professor.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

[Engineering alumnus leads solo operation turned multimillion-dollar enterprise*](#)

UMSL Daily - December 4, 2018

By 2010, about two years after graduating from the **University of Missouri–St. Louis**/Washington University Joint Undergraduate Engineering Program, Kishna capitalized on these contracts to form Etegra, a St. Louis-based architecture and engineering firm.

[Five reasons ranked-choice voting will improve American democracy](#)

The Boston Globe - December 4, 2018

While ranking systems are a little complicated to explain, studies so far suggest voters have had little difficulty comprehending them. A 2009 survey in Minneapolis found that 95 percent of voters there thought the system was easy to understand. In the most extensive study to date, David Kimball, a political scientist at the **University of Missouri-St. Louis**, finds that places using ranked-choice systems see higher voter turnout than under the primary and runoff systems they replaced.

[466 tenured faculty eligible for university buyouts](#)

The Associated Press (via The Kansas City Star) - December 4, 2018

The largest number is on the Columbia campus, where 224 faculty members are eligible. Missouri-Kansas City has 112 eligible faculty; **Missouri-St. Louis** has 72; and Missouri University of Science and Technology has 55 eligible.

[Despite global drop in suicides, U.S., Missouri rates are up](#)

Columbia Missourian - December 4, 2018

Missouri has an above-average suicide rate. In 2017, while the national rate was 14 per 100,000, Missouri’s was 18.49, according to state data from the **Missouri Institute of Mental Health**.

[Clayton Adam Clark '06 publishes A Finitude of Skin](#)

DePauw University News - December 4, 2018

Clark earned an M.F.A. in creative writing at Ohio State University and he is studying clinical mental health counseling at **University of Missouri-St. Louis**. His poems have recently appeared in The Massachusetts Review, Cimarron Review, and elsewhere.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

[Moody's Gives Higher Ed a Negative Outlook, Again](#)

The Chronicle of Higher Education - December 4, 2018

The credit outlook for higher education remains negative for the second year in a row, according to the latest report from Moody's Investors Service. The next year and a half is expected to be grim because of low revenue growth from tuition, the primary source of revenue for colleges and universities, says the report, which was released on Tuesday by the credit-rating agency. Other sources of revenue, such as state funding for public colleges, should be stable, but Moody's predicts that operating expenses will outpace revenue growth at most institutions.

[In Unusual Letter, Democratic Senators Ask 'U.S. News' to Change Emphasis of College Rankings](#)

The Chronicle of Higher Education - December 3, 2018

A handful of Democratic senators want an influential ranker of colleges to reconsider what's important in higher education. Specifically, the six senators wrote in a letter to U.S. News & World Report, compiler of the most prominent college rankings in the country, that more weight should be given to institutions that open their doors to students from underrepresented backgrounds.

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