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News Updates

[MU, St. Mary's officials answer merger questions](#)

Fulton Sun - December 11, 2018

Questions and answers took up about two-thirds of Monday night's 90-minute public meeting about SSM Health's proposed sale of the St. Mary's Hospitals in Jefferson City and Mexico to **MU Health Care**.

[MU Healthcare, SSM Health host second open forum on potential hospital merger](#)

KRCG News - December 12, 2018

Seeing the need for the public to voice their opinions while the talks continue, **MU Health Care's** CEO said it was important for them to hear from those the buyout would affect the most-- the community. "Even if the feedback was constructive and even if they didn't 100 percent agree with us, there's value in getting that feedback," Jonathan Curtright, MU Health Care's CEO, said.

[University of Missouri enters world of competitive gaming*](#)

The Washington Times – December 12, 2018

The **University of Missouri** is taking video gaming to the next level. KMIZ-TV reports that the school became a member Tuesday of the National Association of Collegiate Esports, which is the largest college-level competitive gaming scene in the country.

Similar stories ran in multiple outlets, including [ABC17](#), [KOMU](#), [KRCG](#), and the [Columbia Missourian](#).

[The University of Missouri announced it will add an esports program*](#)

ESPN – December 11, 2018

The **University of Missouri** announced Tuesday that it will add a university-sponsored esports program in Fall 2019. The Tigers are the first Southeastern Conference school to adopt esports and the second Power Five institution to do so, with Ohio State announcing its program in October.

[MU graduate community pushes to bring back the Graduate School](#)

Columbia Missourian - December 12, 2018

Mounted high above the door to **MU's** Graduate Studies office on the second floor of Jesse Hall is a colossal gilded sign: "Welcome to Graduate School." A smaller sign just next to the door, too, indicates that 210 Jesse Hall is home to the Graduate School. Within the office are T-shirts, tablecloths, letterhead — all touting the Graduate School. But MU's Graduate School hasn't existed in nearly five years. Not officially, anyway.

[University community watches Nobel Prize ceremony live at student center celebration*](#)

The Maneater - December 11, 2018

Students, faculty and staff packed into the Shack at 9:30 a.m. to watch George P. Smith, Curators Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences, make **MU** history live from Stockholm, Sweden.

[Mizzou is marshaling its forces against cancer*](#)

Columbia Daily Tribune – December 11, 2018

The **University of Missouri** is well known for its role in educating the state's workforce and its connections to businesses and communities across Missouri, but one of the most important reasons to support our flagship state university might not be as evident: cancer research.

[Collagen-munching enzyme helps tumors spread*](#)

Futurity – December 11, 2018

"The MT1-MMP enzyme has four 'blades,' like the blades on a propeller. Our study shows that two of the blades stick to tumor cells," says Steven Van Doren, a professor of biochemistry in the College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources at the **University of Missouri**. "Because there are two blades, the enzyme can stick to the cell in two different ways. We found that one orientation allows the enzyme to digest the collagen while the other probably interferes with that process."

[Black walnuts contain health-boosting compounds too*](#)

Futurity – December 11, 2018

"The health benefits of phytosterols are well known, and now we have critical information for both consumers and producers that shows black walnuts are a great diet option for those looking to reduce their risk of cardiovascular disease," says Chung-Ho Lin, an associate research professor of forestry in the **University of Missouri's** School of Natural Resources and Center for Agroforestry.

[Stress could be spotted by looking at your EYES: Scientists reveal the size of your pupils provides a window into how well you cope*](#)

Daily Mail Online of London - December 12, 2018

Researchers based at the **University of Missouri**, Columbia, looked into how stress affects a person's state of mind.

[April elections have bigger impact, get less attention](#)

ABC 17 News - December 11, 2018

During the midterm elections in November, more than four times the number of voters cast ballots in Boone County than in most April elections. "We saw a little over 70 percent turnout then," Burks said. However, **University of Missouri** political science professor Andrea Benjamin said local elections affect people's day-to-day lives much more than national ones. "What the city council does regarding trash pick up, regarding sidewalks, regarding sewers, if your sewer doesn't work you're going to feel it immediately," Benjamin said.

[Rutgers partners with research outreach center to promote scientific research*](#)

Courier News of Somerville, New Jersey - December 12, 2018

Rutgers recently became a partner in an innovative center – funded with a \$5.2 million National Science Foundation grant – to translate the importance of scientific research to the general public. The Center for Advancing the Societal Impacts of Research (ARIS Center) is housed at the **University of Missouri** with participants around the country, including at Rutgers.

[Delta just banned 'emotional support animals' on long flights — and science is on their side](#)

Business Insider - December 11, 2018

When it comes to the science behind the concept of a support pet, "the research is quite inconsistent on whether the animals really do anything at all," Forensic psychologist Jeffrey Younggren from the **University of Missouri** told Business Insider.

['Esquire on Fire' Bukowsky hopes personal studio will help broadcast personal message](#)

Columbia Missourian - December 12, 2018

She's already commentated extensively for NewsMax, a conservative news and opinion website, and spoke in 2015 on "Fox and Friends" on behalf of client and **MU** professor Royce Barondes, who sued the University of Missouri System over its prohibition of guns on campus. The video is posted to her website. She understands she needs a social media presence to gain a national audience.

[Little known Supreme Court case from Missouri was early stepping-stone to school desegregation](#)

St. Louis Public Radio - December 12, 2018

Lloyd Gaines never studied at the **University of Missouri** Law School. Still, his efforts to get in as a black student in the 1930s had a major impact on school segregation laws and African-American attorneys in Missouri.

University of Missouri - Kansas City

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

The Washington Post - December 11, 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 Jay Portnoy of Children's Mercy Kansas City and the **University of Missouri-Kansas City** School of Medicine.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

[All the hugs: Rolla moms bring the love to campus during finals*](#)

St. Louis Public Radio - December 11, 2018

Being away from home at college, especially during finals week, can be a stressful experience. That's why a group of moms from Rolla Vineyard Church stand in front of the **Missouri University of Science and Technology** library once a month shouting words of encouragement and giving high-fives and hugs.

[Bolstering cyber-physical systems security*](#)

Homeland Security News Wire - December 11, 2018

A team of researchers from **Missouri S&T** has received a National Science Foundation research grant of nearly \$1 million to develop stronger safeguards for a wide array of complex systems that rely on computers - from public water supply systems and electric grids to chemical plants and self-driving vehicles.

[College of Earth and Mineral Sciences names fall 2018 student marshal](#)

Penn State University - December 11, 2018

Katelyn Adkison will represent the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences as its student marshal at Penn State's fall 2018 undergraduate commencement ceremony. She participated in summer research experiences in 2017 at **Missouri University of Science and Technology**

[Nights at the Museum: Good for Cultivating an Art Habit and Romance](#)

Wew News - December 11, 2018

When Ronald Ollie was an engineering student at the **Missouri University of Science and Technology** in the early 1970s, he would take dates to the St. Louis Art Museum. "The other engineers would say, 'Why are you taking that woman to the art museum?'" he recalled.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

[Education alumna sees her way through tragedy, parenthood to UMSL degree*](#)

UMSL Daily - December 11, 2018

By the time her mother passed away in August 2011, Kristin Bass was less than a year into her course of study for an MEd with an emphasis in adult and higher education at the **University of Missouri–St. Louis**.

[More Police Training Key To Determining Who Is A 'Good Guy With A Gun'](#)

NPR - December 12, 2018

Former police officer David Klinger heads the Criminology Department at the **University of Missouri - St. Louis**. He's written a book about police shootings and is a research fellow at the National Police Foundation. He says, because police often have to make split second decisions in situations where guns are involved, good training is essential.

[Kit Bond aims to help students get international experience*](#)

Missouri Times - December 11, 2018

The initial class of scholars is made up of five students from the University of Missouri-Columbia — Alex Beattie, Caroline Been, Sewit Belete, Madison Czopek, and Oliva Hunt — and five students from the **University of Missouri-St. Louis** — Cole Alves, Eric Eggers, Jordan McCain, Sara McFarland, and Lauren Wilson.

[Law firm business changes: Philip Kirkpatrick](#)

Missouri Lawyers Weekly - December 11, 2018

Kirkpatrick said Rabo looked at three firms to take on the project, though Thompson Coburn was hardly an unknown. After getting his law degree from Syracuse University, Kirkpatrick was an associate there from 2002 to 2005. That led to in-house positions at several other St. Louis-area companies, as well as a master's of business administration degree from the **University of Missouri-St. Louis** in 2008.

[Arts And Education Council Names 2019 Katherine Dunham Fellow](#)

Broadway World St. Louis - December 11, 2018

The Arts and Education Council (A&E) has named Jenisha McDonald the 2019 Katherine Dunham Fellow. McDonald, a junior studying business administration at **University of Missouri-St. Louis**, currently works at the Fabulous Fox Theatre. The Katherine Dunham Fellowship, created and funded by Sara and Jack Burke and managed by A&E, promotes diversity in arts leadership by giving African-American students and opportunity to explore, gain experience and be mentored in arts administration.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

[How U. of Michigan Appealed to Low-Income Students With a Colorful Invitation — and a Promise of Aid](#)

The Chronicle of Higher Education – December 10, 2018

What if getting low-income students to apply to a highly selective college was as simple as telling them the doors were open? A new working paper suggests that, along with the promise of financial aid, might be the case. The paper describes an experiment to reach out to potential applicants to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. The researchers found that after telling high-achieving, low-income students they should apply to the institution, many of them did.

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