**News Updates**

*Almost 500 faculty eligible for University of Missouri buyout offer*  
Columbia Daily Tribune – December 3, 2018  
More than one-fourth of the tenured faculty on the *University of Missouri’s Columbia* campus are eligible for an employee buyout program worth up to $200,000 each.

*New non-profit opposes sale of Jefferson City hospital*  
KBIA - December 3, 2018  
A new Jefferson City group, “A Coalition for Choice” was formed last month in response to a proposal from MU Health Care to purchase St. Mary’s Hospital in Jefferson City.  
[Read more](http://example.com)

*MU Chancellor lights menorah at student center*  
ABC 17 News - December 3, 2018  
Chancellor Alexander Cartwright lit a menorah at the student center at the *University of Missouri* on Monday night in celebration of Hanukkah.

**University of Missouri System**

*UM System announces buyouts for some tenured faculty*  
Missouri Business Alert - December 3, 2018  
In an effort to alleviate financial pressure, the *University of Missouri System* will offer lump-sum buyouts to certain tenured faculty who are approaching retirement.

**University of Missouri - Kansas City**

*Breaking Through*  
UMKC Today – December 3, 2018  
Brandon Martin officially begins his tenure Dec. 3 as director of athletics at the *University of Missouri-Kansas City*. That’s “officially” because he’s been hard at work since his appointment was announced Nov. 14.

*Researcher Wins Third Major Award from American Heart Association*  
UMKC Today - November 29, 2018  
John Spertus, *University of Missouri-Kansas City* School of Medicine professor and Daniel J. Lauer, M.D., Endowed Chair in Metabolism and Vascular Disease Research, received the American Heart Association’s 2018 Distinguished Scientist Award.

*Over $1 billion needed to fix Missouri’s crumbling college campus buildings*  
The Kansas City Star – December 2, 2018  
A new report says the state’s 2,453 higher education buildings need more than $1.4 billion in maintenance. A good chunk of the need is sitting at the University of Missouri in Columbia and the *University of Missouri-Kansas City*. 
**BWW Review: THE WOLVES IS A HOWLING SUCCESS AT THE UNICORN THEATRE IN KANSAS CITY**

Broadway World Kansas City – December 2, 2018

Hannah Iris Woosley puts on a magnificent performance as player number 2, an optimistic and good-natured team member whose smile lights up the stage. Woosley is a junior undergraduate at UMKC and is making her debut at the Unicorn Theatre.

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**University of Missouri Offers Buyouts To Older Faculty At Kansas City And Other Campuses**

KCUR – November 30, 2018

The University of Missouri-Kansas City, as well as the other three campuses in the UM System, will extend buyout offers to tenured faculty nearing retirement age, it was announced Friday.

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**Zach Pettet: It’s time to make some noise about KC’s secret bad ass investors**

Startland News – November 30, 2018

Paul DeBruce was awarded the Marion and John Kreamer Award for Social Entrepreneurship earlier this month at the UMKC Entrepreneur of the Year Awards. While the DeBruce Foundation is focused on philanthropic endeavors, the CEO and chairman has quietly made for-profit investments across Kansas City’s technology space.

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**ASUM announces 2018-19 Legislative Team**

University News – December 3, 2018

The Associated Students of the University of Missouri (ASUM) recently announced its legislative team for the 2018-19 school year. Two of the group’s legislative interns are UMKC’s very own Michael Jenkins and Dominique Paje.

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**Missouri University of Science and Technology**

**SME Installs 2019 Officers of its Board of Directors; Elects Seven to SME College of Fellows**

PR Newswire - December 3, 2018

SME, a manufacturing association promoting the interests of manufacturing industries, advanced manufacturing technologies and the development of the manufacturing workforce, has recognized several professionals assuming new leadership roles in the organization for 2019. ... 2018 SME College of Fellows [include] Ming C. Leu, PhD, FSME, Keith and Pat Bailey Distinguished Professor, Missouri University of Science and Technology, Rolla, Missouri.

This article appeared on dozens of news and business news sites.

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**University of Missouri-St. Louis**

**Retired Emerson president provides insights on charting a successful career path**

UMSL Daily - December 3, 2018

“Try to understand what’s important to the company you’re working with, and try to find a way to align yourself with what the company thinks is important,” Monser said to University of Missouri–St. Louis students Wednesday during the annual CEO Speaker Series in the Millennium Student Center. “The reason why this is a good thing to think about is you want to work on high-priority work. The problem with working on medium priority or lower priority is you can do a really good job and not get rewarded. If you work hard and are not getting a reward, why are you doing it?”

**STARS graduates have returned to UMSL to continue their science education**

UMSL Daily - December 3, 2018

Crowell’s opportunity came through her participation in the precollegiate Students and Teachers as Research Scientists program at the University of Missouri–St. Louis. Her experience in the six-week summer program not only confirmed her aspiration but also helped convince her that UMSL could be an ideal launching point to help her reach her goals.

**Jeffrey Pryor hopes to become a voice for America’s fallen overseas**

UMSL Daily - December 3, 2018
He hadn’t ordered a car, but Veybreyt kept insisting. Probably a language barrier miscommunication, Pryor thought. The University of Missouri–St. Louis combined BA/MA student was under the impression that his French had become pretty good, but clearly, he needed to keep studying. Finally, he caved and walked out of the institution dedicated to World War II’s Battle of the Bulge in Manhay, Belgium.

**Higher Education**

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**Senators urge U.S. News & World Report to overhaul college ranking formula**

Washington Post – December 3, 2018

Six Senate Democrats urged U.S. News & World Report on Monday to overhaul how it ranks colleges by giving more credit to those that do the most for underrepresented and disadvantaged students “instead of the privileged few.”

**Fraternities and Sororities Sue Harvard Over Its Policy Against Single-Sex Groups**

Chronicle of Higher Education – December 3, 2018

Two years ago, Harvard’s fraternities, sororities, and “final clubs,” which are not officially affiliated with the institution, faced an order from the university’s president: Go coed, or your members will lose the ability to hold campus-leadership positions and to be endorsed for outside scholarships. On Monday, Greek life struck back. A group of fraternities, sororities, and three students filed lawsuits against Harvard’s leaders, in both state and federal court, for allegedly discriminating against the organizations with the new policy.