



October 26, 2020

## News



### Keep up-to-date about campus COVID-19 cases

The [PSU COVID Dashboard](#) is updated weekly with testing and case information confirmed by the [Center for Student Health and Counseling \(SHAC\)](#). If someone on campus receives a positive test result, SHAC and Multnomah County Public Health conduct contact tracing to identify anyone with significant exposure (factors include proximity, duration, symptoms, masks). You may only be informed if you're identified as a close contact. [COVID-19 testing](#) is available through SHAC by appointment after appropriate screening.



### PSU charts new pathways to education for incarcerated students

Sentenced to 15 years for being involved in a murder at age 15, last year Josefina became the first incarcerated youth in Oregon to become a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor. She is working toward a bachelor's degree in criminology and criminal justice and a master's degree in social work from Portland State. Her story highlights the transformative potential of education for incarcerated students, a population that has limited access to college. Read more in "[Empowering Change.](#)"

### New guide supports students' mental health

Concerned about your students' mental health? SHAC's Health Promotion team put together a [resource guide for faculty and staff](#) that includes a data-rich overview of the issues, training opportunities and simple steps you can take right now. Many of the included wellbeing resources are accessible to staff and faculty.

### Spread the word about academic coaching

Midterms are fast approaching! Set students up for success by letting them know they can meet with an academic coach from the Learning Center to plan their study schedule. Coaching appointments are free and open to all students. Faculty and staff can also submit a request for our [ROADS to Success presentation series](#) on topics such as motivation, time management, and study strategies to be presented in your classes. Learn more about our [academic coaching services](#).

### Look for new printer station in Smith

The library may be closed on Fridays, but Portland State students, faculty and staff can use their printer page credits at the print station in Smith's University Market, open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.



### Free outdoor workshop on Wednesdays

Interested in learning some new outdoor skills? The Outdoor Program is hosting free [virtual workshops on Zoom](#) every Wednesday night from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. covering a variety of topics including Leave No Trace, trip planning, and plant identification. A PSU email address is required to join, but [video recordings of each workshop](#) are also uploaded to YouTube. Check out workshop dates and topics on the [Outdoor Program webpage](#).

### PSU in the news

The election is top of mind and Stephanie Singer of the Hatfield School of Government [talked to the KOIN AM Extra team](#) about what to expect in this unprecedented year. Speaking of timely research Alexander Reid Ross, adjunct faculty in Geography's work on right wing violence is [helping outlets like Bloomberg CityLab](#) make sense of the trends behind the headlines. And Maura Kelly in Sociology is sharing her research related to [racism in the building trades with Construction Dive](#).

## Accolades

### People

Paul Collins, Phillip J. Cooper, Hau Hagedorn, Steven Reed Johnson, Maura Kelly, Subhash Kochar, Jungmin Kwon, Gerry Sussman, Dilafruz Williams

### Presented

Jola Ajibade, Brenda Glascott, Melissa Haeffner, Aaron Roussell, Angela Zagarella

### Published/Exhibited

Carl Abbott, Heejun Chang, Bennett Gilbert, Leslie Hammer, Kathy Harris, Daniel Jaffee, Thomas Luckett, Cynthia Mohr, Brooke Napier, Shafiq Rahman, Jack Straton, Chia Yin Hsu, Xia Zhang

### Grants

Susan Chan, Kathy Harris, Sunny Lin

## Events

### October 26

[Camera-Edit-Sound: Short Films By Deborah Stratman](#)  
[Crafting with Little Vikings](#)

### October 27

[Improvisation for Teaching in Remote Environments](#)  
[Tuesday Trivia Nights](#)

### October 28

[Geography Speaker Series](#)  
[Crafting with Little Vikings](#)  
[Getting Started with Mediaspace Part III: Post-production](#)

### October 29

[Tedx: Barrier Breakers](#)  
[Tedx: Narrative Changers](#)  
[Sports Zoom Chats](#)

### October 30

[Equity Summit: Envisioning and Creating a Just and Equitable PSU](#)  
[Friday Transportation Seminar](#)  
[Webinar: Poet Natalie Diaz](#)

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Every week during the academic year, Currently celebrates faculty and staff accomplishments, including appearances on panels, presentations, recent publications or performances, and research grants.

1. **Paul Collins**, English faculty, was interviewed about his book “Blood & Ivy” for an episode of the podcast Criminal titled [“Dr. Parkman is Missing.”](#)
2. **Phillip J. Cooper**, public administration faculty, received the Civic Education Award at the League of Oregon Cities’ (LOC) 95th Annual Conference. The award recognizes educators who have promoted local government education in Oregon schools.
3. **Hau Hagedorn**, Transportation Research and Education Center associate director, has been [appointed by Oregon’s governor](#) as the new Chair of the [Oregon Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee](#).
4. **Steven Reed Johnson**, urban studies and planning, has created two blogs, [“Community Narratives of Portland Oregon”](#) and [“Epiphanies Enchantment and Flares.”](#)
5. **Maura Kelly**, sociology faculty, participated in the Regional Respectful Workplaces Review Committee to develop recommendations for training to address harassment on construction job sites in the region. On Oct. 1, the committee conducted a webinar for about 200 construction trades stakeholders titled [“Addressing Jobsite Culture: Take Action to Create a Safer Work Environment.”](#)
6. **Subhash Kochar**, mathematics and statistics faculty, was invited to join the editorial board of the Information Theory, Probability and Statistics section of the journal [Entropy](#).
7. **Jungmin Kwon**, film faculty, won the New Investigator Award from the National Communication Association’s Critical/Cultural Studies Division.
8. **Gerry Sussman**, urban studies and planning and international and global studies faculty, was interviewed about his research on the Obama-Biden interventions in Ukraine on San Francisco’s KPOO radio program titled “Work Week” on Aug. 13.
9. **Dilafruz Williams**, education faculty, has been selected to serve as chair for 2020-2021 for the Research Symposium of the North American Association for Environmental Education, an organization with membership in over 30 countries.

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1. **Jola Ajibade**, geography faculty, gave a presentation titled “The Resilience Fix: Destruction and Repair after Climate Disasters in the Global South” at Harvard Graduate School of Urban Planning and Design, on Oct. 14.
2. **Jola Ajibade**, geography faculty, gave an invited talk titled “Managed Retreat and Climate Migration: As Two Distinct Responses to Climatic Hazards” at the Annual Science Immersion Workshop for Journalists, sponsored by at Metcalf Institute, at the University Of Rhode Island in August.
3. **Brenda Glascott**, honors faculty, presented on a panel titled “Choosing the Path Less Traveled: Inclusivity and Equity in Honors in Different Environments” for the National Collegiate Honors Council’s remote annual conference.
4. **Melissa Haeffner**, environmental science and management faculty, presented “WALPA 2020 on Racial and Social Justice in Freshwater Systems” at the Washington State Lake Protection Association on Oct. 14.
5. **Aaron Roussell**, sociology faculty, co-presented “The Limits of Community Policing: Civilian Power and Police Accountability in Black and Brown Los Angeles” virtually at the Dominican University Department of Sociology and Criminology Center for Cultural Liberation.
6. **Angela Zagarella**, world languages and literatures, presented “Insegnare con empatia durante la pandemia” at the [Foro de Lengua Xlli](#) in Montevideo, Uruguay, on Oct. 14.

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1. **Carl Abbott**, urban studies and planning faculty emeritus, published “City Planning: A Very Short Introduction” with Oxford University Press.
2. **Heejun Chang**, geography faculty, co-authored a paper titled “Residents’ Perception of Flood Risk and Urban Stream Restoration Using Multi-criteria Decision Analysis” published in *River Research and Applications*.
3. **Bennett Gilbert**, university studies, published “[Repairing Historicity](#)” in *Cosmos and History*.
4. **Kathy Harris**, applied linguistics faculty with the Literacy, Language, and Technology Research group, co-authored a research brief with Jen Vanek, director of Digital Learning and Research at the EdTech Center at World Education, called “[Digital Literacy and Technology Integration in Adult Basic Skills Education: A Review of the Research](#),” published by ProLiteracy.
5. Carol Hernández PhD '18, and **Daniel Jaffee**, sociology faculty, published an article titled “‘Without Food There is No Resistance’: The Impact of the Zapatista Conflict on Agrobiodiversity and Seed Sovereignty in Chiapas, Mexico,” in the journal *Geoforum*.
6. James Lee, AnnaMarie O’Neill, and Emily Denning, PhD students; **Cynthia Mohr** and **Leslie Hammer**, psychology faculty, published “A Dyadic Examination of Drinking Behaviors within Military-Connected Couples” in the journal *Military Behavioral Health*.
7. **Brooke Napier**, biology faculty, published “[A Rapid Caspase-11 Response Induced by IFN \$\gamma\$  Priming Is Independent of Guanylate Binding Proteins](#)” in *iScience*.
8. **Shafiq Rahman**, business faculty, published “Application of the Multivariate Average F-test to Examine Relative Performance of Asset Pricing Models with Individual Security Returns” in *Handbook of Financial Econometrics, Mathematics, Statistics, and Machine Learning*.
9. **Jack Straton**, physics and university studies faculty, had one of his photographs chosen to be part of “The 2nd Half: 50 and Over Show,” an international joint show of all fine art media, in Laguna Beach, California, from Sept. 3-26.
10. **Chia Yin Hsu** and **Thomas Luckett**, history faculty, and Erika Vause of St. John’s University, co-edited “[The Cultural Life of Risk and Innovation: Imagining New Markets from the Seventeenth Century to the Present](#),” published by Routledge.
11. **Xia Zhang**, anthropology faculty, published “‘The People’s Commune Is Good’: Precarious Labor, Migrant Masculinity, and Post-socialist Nostalgia in Contemporary China” in *Critical Asian Studies*.

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1. **Susan Chan**, music faculty, was awarded a Career Opportunity Grant by the Oregon Arts Commission for presenting and performing at the Beethoven EPTA (European Piano Teachers Association) International Conference to be held online in Bonn, Germany, from Oct. 31 to Nov. 1, and for holding residencies at several music schools in Germany. Her presentation at the conference is entitled “‘Exoticism’ in Selected Piano Works by Beethoven, Haydn and Mozart: Editions and Transcriptions.”
2. **Kathy Harris**, applied linguistics faculty with the Literacy, Language, and Technology Research group, and **Sunny Lin**, OHSU-PSU School of Public Health faculty, received a grant for a project titled “Digital Readiness: Are WIC Staff, WIC Participants, and Related Stakeholders Prepared For Ehealth/Telehealth?” The project is a collaboration with Julie Reeder, senior researcher with the Oregon WIC program.

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