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January 11, 2021

News



Celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. all month

Join Portland State for a series of virtual campus and community events honoring the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. The series kicks off with a multimedia presentation by anti-racist educator Lasana Hotep on Jan. 15 at 5:30 p.m., and will include a virtual racial justice teach-in presented by the Campus Collaborative as well as a faculty panel featuring Walidah Imarisha, Julius McGee and Darrell Millner. Learn more and register for events on the [Living the Legacy Series webpage](#). Next Monday is the [Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday](#).



PSU's student athletes rank high in graduation success

Portland State student athletes are achieving at high rates compared to their peers. According to the NCAA Graduation Rate survey, PSU student athletes graduate at a rate 15% higher than the general student body. In addition, Portland State's [Student-Athlete Graduation Success Rate \(GSR\)](#), as tracked by the NCAA, is 85% – the fourth best overall in the Big Sky Conference. Volleyball, men's tennis, women's golf and women's basketball have perfect GSR scores of 100%. [Read more](#).

PSU and University of Oxford team up for new competition

PSU is partnering with the University of Oxford on a global systems mapping competition open to all PSU students, of any level, from any discipline. Participants use systems thinking to explore a social or environmental issue, and get to exercise teamwork and collaboration across disciplines. Learn more at the [Map the System website](#). Teams must register by Jan. 31.

Help students succeed with academic coaching

Winter term is here! Set your students up for success by letting them know they can meet with an academic coach from the Learning Center to set goals and discuss time management strategies. 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 on the [Learning Center website](#).

Volunteers needed to review undergraduate scholarship applications

The Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships needs help reviewing undergraduate student scholarship applications for the 2021-2022 school year. PSU faculty, staff and graduate assistants are invited to read, score and assist selecting these scholarship recipients. The review process runs Feb. 4-March 5 with training workshops available on Jan. 27 or Jan. 28 at 11 a.m. Each reviewer spends approximately six hours reading and scoring applications. Please consider lending your time and expertise. [Sign up here](#).



Support your well-being

Start the year off by building a foundation of well being that supports happiness, fulfillment, community and purpose with Campus Rec's newest health promotion program, [Winter of Wellbeing](#). Each week from Jan. 11 through March 5, focus on a specific dimension of well being, why it matters, and activities to support it. Free for PSU students, faculty and staff. Registration is now open, and you can join at any time during the eight week program.

PSU in the news

David Bangsberg, founding dean of the OHSU-PSU School of Public Health, talked about Oregon's vaccination rates with [Willamette Week](#) for its look at opposition to the COVID-19 vaccine; Marc Rodriguez, history faculty, helped put the recent [political violence in Washington, D.C. in context for KGW](#); and College of Education Dean Marvin Lynn penned an essay on [equitable education for Diverse Education](#).

Accolades

People

Talya Bauer, Scott Burns, Dave Cadiz, Shirley A. Jackson, Jennifer Peterson

Presented

Ted Khoury, Mellie Pullman

Published/Exhibited

Shelby Anderson, Christine Cress, Cass Hausserman, Kevin Kecskes, Staci B. Martin, Marisa Miller, Cassio de Oliveira, Jennifer Peterson, Will Parnell, Meredith Woehler

Grants

Andrés Holz, Sirisha Kothuri, Nathan McNeil, Christopher Monsere, Jen Morse, Olyssa Starr

Events

January 13

[OIT Workshop: Excel and Spreadsheet Basics \(online\)](#)
[Witch-hunting, Dog-men, and a World Chronicle: Researching a 500-year-old Codex](#)

January 14

[New Employee Orientation](#)
[Biology Seminar Series: Movement Ecology of Songbirds](#)
[@ This Moment: Imagining a More Just Future](#)
[Women's Basketball: PSU vs. Montana State](#)

January 15

[Five Key Strategies for Productive and Satisfying Faculty Academic Writing in 2021](#)
[Faculty Book Group](#)
[Alumni Creative Writing Showcase](#)
[The Silence of Our Friends: The Anti-Racist Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.](#)

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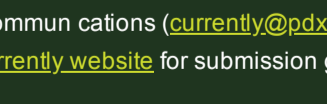
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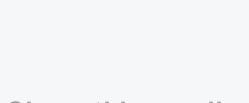
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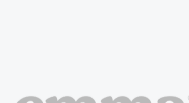
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1. **Talya Bauer**, business faculty, had her research on boomerang employees featured in the article "[Why 'Boomerang Employees' May Be a Valuable Talent Source](#)" in Human Resource Executive.
2. **Scott Burns**, geology faculty emeritus, retired from Oregon State Board of Geologist Examiners in December after six years of service. He was appointed to the board by the governor in 2014.
3. **Dave Cadiz**, business, was invited to serve as assistant guest editor for a special issue of the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health titled "[Age at Work, Well-Being and COVID Related Challenges.](#)"
4. **Shirley A. Jackson**, sociology faculty, has been elected vice-president elect of the Pacific Sociological Association, effective spring 2021.
5. **Jennifer Peterson**, University Honors College, co-edited "[One Health and Neglected Tropical Diseases,](#)" a special issue of the peer-reviewed journal Tropical Medicine and Infectious Diseases.

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1. **Ted Khoury**, business faculty, had his paper “All The World’s a Stage: How Grassroots Organizations Advance Their Credibility Through Dramaturgical Event Curation” presented at the University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland, on Nov. 18.
2. **Mellie Pullman**, business faculty, presented “Activist Research on Sustainable Seafood Supply Chains: Where Do We Push the Buttons?” at the IPSERA sustainability workshop Sustainable Supply Chains Versus COVID-19 on Nov. 30.

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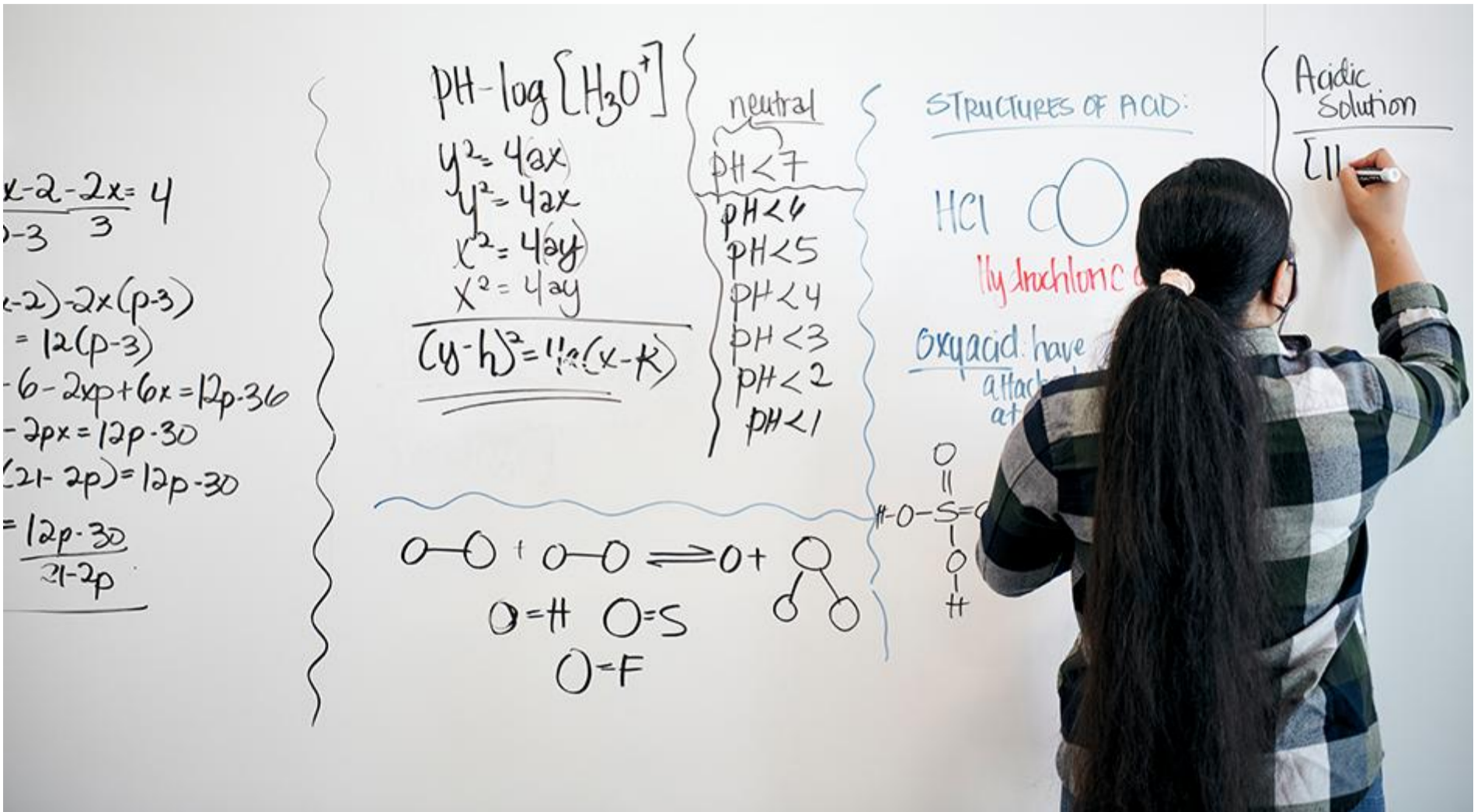
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1. **Shelby Anderson**, anthropology faculty, co-authored "[Marine Reservoir Effects in Seal \(Phocidae\) Bones in the Northern Bering and Chukchi Seas, Northwestern Alaska](#)" in the journal Radiocarbon.
2. **Christine Cress**, College of Education faculty, co-authored "[The Role of Emotional Entropy and Ethnocentric Paradigms in International Service-Learning: A New Pedagogical Model for Global Agency Development](#)," published in the Journal of Comparative and International Higher Education.
3. **Cass Hausserman**, business faculty, co-authored "[Does Understanding Tax Laws Reduce Charitable Giving? A Study of Tax Literacy and Unintended Consequences](#)" in Advances in Taxation.
4. **Kevin Kecskes**, public administration faculty, co-authored "[The Long-Haul: Buddhist Educational Strategies to Strengthen Students' Resilience for Lifelong Personal Transformation and Positive Community Change](#)" in Metropolitan Universities.
5. **Staci B. Martin**, social work, Chablue Wah, political science student, and Salome Nanyenga 'TK, co-authored "[Stopped Listening: Experiences of Higher Education Refugee-background Learners](#)" in the Journal of Comparative & International Higher Education.
6. **Marisa Miller**, Career Center internship coordinator, co-authored "[The Effects of Workplace Inclusion on Employee Assimilation Outcomes](#)" in the International Journal of Business Communication.
7. **Cassio de Oliveira**, world languages and literatures faculty, wrote an essay titled "O 'Amor Brasileiro' de Vsiévolod Ivanov" in [RUS: Revista de Literatura e Cultura Russa](#), published by the University of São Paulo, Brazil.
8. **Jennifer Peterson**, University Honors College faculty, co-authored an editorial titled "[One Health and Neglected Tropical Diseases—Multisectoral Solutions to Endemic Challenges](#)" in the journal Tropical Medicine and Infectious Disease.
9. **Will Parnell**, curriculum and instruction department chair and early childhood education faculty, co-authored a chapter titled "Rethinking Research in Early Childhood: (Re)Turning the Kaleidoscope" in the book "[Strong Foundations: Evidence Informing Practice in Early Childhood Education and Care](#)," published by ACER Pres on Dec. 1.
10. **Meredith Woehler**, business faculty, co-authored "[Whether, How, and Why Networks Influence Men's and Women's Career Success: Review and Research Agenda](#)" in the Journal of Management.

CURRENTLY ACCOLADES: GRANTS FOR JANUARY 11, 2021

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1. **Andrés Holz**, geography faculty, won a \$22,418 [UPP 2020 Seed Grant](#) for his project “Tree-ring Reconstruction of Historical Groundwater-streamflow Dynamics.” Holz will be working with Tess Harden from the USGS Oregon Water Science Center. The team will investigate the relation between climate parameters — including rainfall, temperature, and snowpack and water levels — at the source of the McKenzie River. The project will provide information for hazards assessments and forecasts related to floods and droughts, which affect aquatic habitat and water resource management decisions regarding water quality and supply.
2. **Christopher Monsere**, civil and environmental engineering faculty, **Sirisha Kothuri**, civil and environmental engineering senior research associate, and **Nathan McNeil**, urban studies and planning research associate, [will act as investigators](#) researching the safety of on-street bicycle facility designs with a three-year \$600,000 grant from the National Cooperative Highway Research Program.
3. **Olyssa Starry**, University Honors College faculty and **Jen Morse**, environmental sciences and management faculty, won a \$24,191 [UPP 2020 Seed Grant](#) for their project “Willamette Water Quality Past and Present.” Starry and Morse will work with Jennifer Morace from the USGS Oregon Water Science Center. The team will look at water quality changes to the Willamette River in the past decade and augment standard data with tests for industrial pollutants, sediment activity and cyanotoxins. They will also initiate a sampling plan for new contamination concerns at six beach locations on the river.

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