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News



Save the date for the Budget Town Hall

The University faces a significant shortfall for the 2022 academic year. Between now and May, decisions will be made on the approach for the next year. Learn more by watching the <u>Budget Town Hall livestream</u> on Feb. 22 from 2-4 p.m. Submit questions in advance to <u>townhall@pdx.edu</u>. For more about steps being taken by the Office of Academic Affairs to deal strategically with reduced budgets, see Provost Susan Jefford's <u>recent letter</u> and minutes from the <u>Faculty Senate meeting</u>.

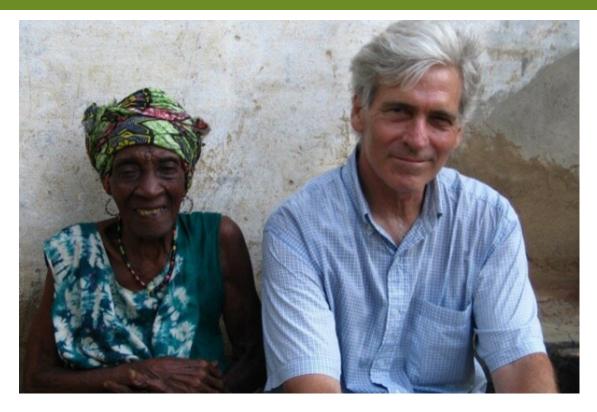
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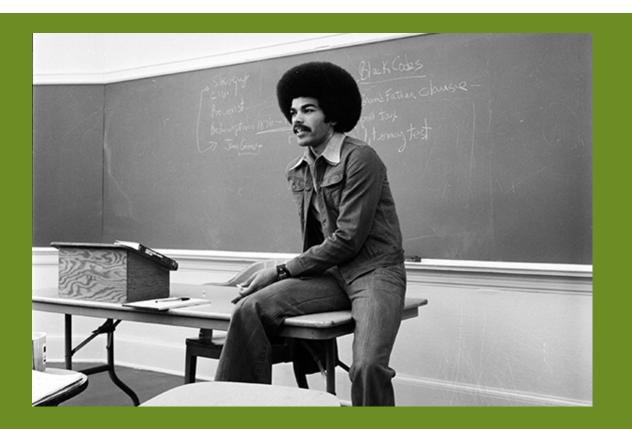
Register for the Winter Symposium

Join the campus community on Feb. 18 from 8:30 a.m 12:30 p.m. for the follow up to fall term's Virtual Equity Summit: Time to Act, organized by Global Diversity and Inclusion. At the <u>2021 Winter Symposium</u>, task forces, organized according to the five dimension framework, will present initiatives for campus discussion. All PSU community members, including faculty, staff and students, are invited to attend. <u>Register by Feb. 15</u>.



Remembering Professor Tucker Childs

Tucker Childs, longtime professor and former chair of Applied Linguistics, passed away Jan. 26, due to complications related to legionella. He had been at PSU since 1996 and devoted decades of research to the documentation and preservation of endangered West African languages and their cultures. To offer condolences or share a fond memory, please visit his <u>memorial page</u>. In lieu of sending flowers, please make a donation in his memory to the <u>Sherbro Foundation</u> or the <u>Nattinger Scholarship</u>. <u>Read</u> the obituary.



Panel explores Portland's history and the Black experience

As part of its continuing celebration of Black History Month, the Pan African Commons will host a panel discussion this Thursday, Feb. 11 from 4 6 p.m. on Portland's History and the Black Experience. Darrell Millner, Black Studies faculty, (seen here in 1975) will talk about the history of Black Portland. Panelists Ed Washington and Karen Gibson will discuss their experiences with gentrification, housing and displacement. <u>See details</u>.



Last chance to nominate faculty and staff for excellence awards

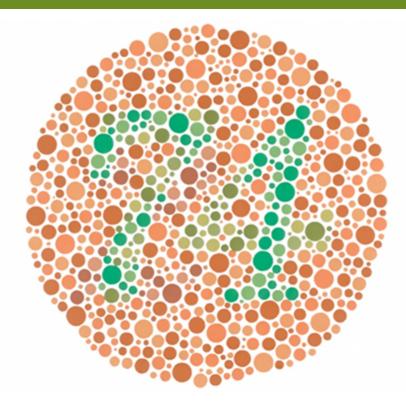
Portland State's faculty and staff navigated unanticipated and monumental challenges

during the past year. Now it's time to recognize those who have achieved great work and who inspire us all to continue to strive. Academic Affairs' annual excellence awards acknowledge outstanding scholarship and dedication to students in <u>seven categories</u>. (<u>Read about last year's winners</u>, seen in the picture above.) For more information, visit the <u>PSU Faculty and Staff Excellence Awards webpage</u>. Completed nominations are due this Friday, Feb. 12.



Help make PSU more age friendly

In 2018, Portland State joined the global <u>Age-Friendly University (AFU) initiative</u>, which fosters intergenerational learning and encourages older learners to participate in lifelong educational programs. PSU is contributing to a national study titled "Taking the Pulse of Age Friendliness in Higher Education in the US Today." You can help by completing this anonymous, 10 15 minute <u>online survey</u> for staff, students and faculty. The results will identify how we can broaden and deepen our efforts.



Keep up-to-date with website accessibility issues

The Office of Information Technology (OIT) has launched a blog series to help PSU's digital content creators as they learn more about accessibility. See the recent post on <u>Color and Digital Accessibility</u>. Remember, content must be accessible to those who are color blind and to those with low vision or vision impairments who require the use of assistive technology. To receive technology tips by email, faculty, staff and students are invited to <u>subscribe to the monthly OIT newsletter</u>.



Celebrate 'Love Your Body Week'

Learn how to cultivate body positivity and practice self love during PSU's Love Your Body Week, hosted by Campus Rec and Student Health and Counseling (SHAC). Join Feb. 22 26 (during National Eating Disorder Awareness Week) for fun activities, presentations from community members, empowering workout classes and daily resources sent directly to your PSU email address. Free and open to students, faculty and staff. <u>Sign up online</u>.

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