



February 15, 2021

News



PSU's 75th-anniversary celebration begins

Portland State's [75th-anniversary year](#) kicked off yesterday on Founders' Day. While the pandemic has changed how we celebrate, we've planned virtual ways to mark this incredible milestone in our University's history. Join in by watching the [75th Anniversary video](#) and contributing memories of PSU [via the web](#), or by tagging #myPSUmemory on social media. This week, you can also explore the theme of "75 Years of Resilience" Feb. 18 at 5 p.m. at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences' panel discussion "Voices on Resilience." [Register here](#).



Intercultural U moves the conversation forward

In support of President Stephen Percy's top strategic priority, [Acting on Equity and Racial Justice](#), representatives from across PSU will come together to explore personal, cultural and societal issues, and work toward a more diverse and inclusive community. Intercultural U began in January with two cohorts, including the Academic Leadership Team and other leaders nominated by vice presidents and deans. Ame Lambert, vice president of Global Diversity and Inclusion, designed the curriculum. [Read more](#).

PSU captures nine regional communications awards

Portland State University Communications received nine awards, including five gold medals, from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education in recognition of the department's achievements in marketing and communications last year. Gold-medal-winning entries included Portland State's brand campaign, "Embolden Each and Everyone"; the ["Come to Change at Portland State University"](#) video; the sub-branding of PSU's graduate programs; the ["PSU is Resilient"](#) video; and the [Spring 2020 issue](#) of the University's alumni magazine, Portland State Magazine. CASE is North America's largest higher education advocacy organization. [Read more](#).



Celebrate students in Currently

Currently will feature student success stories in the last issue of winter term. To submit information about student achievements — such as publications, exhibits, grants, awards, presentations and other accomplishments — email currently@pdx.edu. Find submission guidelines on this [Currently webpage](#). Please submit by March 5 at 5 p.m.

Help for staff and faculty with young kids

Struggling with child care? Spaces are still available for [Little Vikings Child Care Center](#) for children ages 6 weeks to 24 months old. Choose from 3- and 2-day per week options. Email lvikings@pdx.edu with questions. Kids at home can drop in via Zoom for Crafting with Little Vikings Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and Fridays 1-2 p.m. [Learn more and register](#). Also, check out the [Little Vikings Activity Room](#) for games, programs and activities that kids can do independently.

Learn more about Pass/No Pass grading changes

As midterm grades come in, students may consider changing their course grading to Pass/No Pass. To acknowledge the continued impact of remote learning and better support our students, Portland State extended the policy that allows Pass grades to apply to major requirements through spring 2021. [This FAQ](#) can help you understand the possible implications for students' future graduate program admissions and career opportunities, so you can better advise them about their choices. Grade option changes may be made through March 8.

Rec Center reopens today

Campus Rec is excited to [reopen the Rec Center facility and pool](#) today, Feb. 15. A [facility reservation](#) is required to visit the Rec Center, and a [swim lane reservation](#) is required in order to access the pool. Face masks and physical distancing are required at all times while in the facility, with the exception of lap swimming. For more information, visit the [Reopening Resources webpage](#).

PSU in the news

A recent report by PSU's Homelessness Research and Action Collaborative (HRAC) detailing the possible cost of predicted mass evictions in Oregon [was featured on OPB](#); John MacArthur, Transportation and Research Education Center, will work with Marisa Zapata, urban studies and planning faculty, [on a national study of public transportation and homelessness](#); and [KATU spotlighted](#) PSU's campus "Toon Tour," which features Oregon-themed cutouts created by local artist Mike Bennett.

Accolades

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Verena Hutter, Priya Kapoor

Presented

Celine Fitzmaurice, Kevin Keckes, Mellie Pullman

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Brenda Glascott, John Nimmo, David Raffo, Jack Straton

Grants

Ingrid Anderson, John Nimmo, Maria Tenorio

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[Laurs Kemp: Upcycled Fashion Workshop](#)
[Women's Volleyball vs. Northern Colorado](#)
[Women's Basketball vs. Northwest University](#)

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[HR Training: Manager Basics Training Series](#)
[Misreading and Identity Across the African Diaspora](#)

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[Geology Seminar Series: Mafic Explosive Volcanic Eruptions](#)
[Black Women in STEM: Why Representation Matters](#)
[Meet the PSU Technical Writing Faculty: Chad Kreiger](#)
[Public Health, Portland Style: Climate Change, a Public Health Emergency](#)

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[Office of Academic Affairs Winter Symposium](#)
[KSMoCA Artist Lecture Series: Paula Wilson](#)
[Biology Seminar Series](#)
[Show & Tell Graphic Series: Titus](#)

[Tag, We're It: Voices on Resilience](#)
[Men's Basketball vs. Idaho](#)

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[Considerations Toward an Equitable and Inclusive Curriculum](#)
[Being Black at PSU](#)
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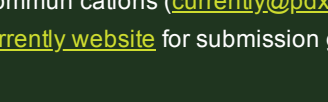
[5th Ave Cinema Virtual Program: Romeo & Juliet](#)

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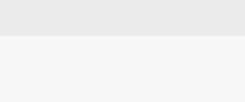
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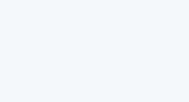
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1. **Verena Hutter**, world languages and literatures adjunct faculty, was awarded the Women in German Professional Development Award for Contingency Faculty to attend the Modern Language Association (MLA) International Symposium in Glasgow, Scotland this June, and the 46th Annual Women in German (WiG) conference in Portland this November.
2. **Priya Kapoor**, international and global studies faculty, was invited to participate in the global book launch for the anthology “Community Radio in South Asia: Reclaiming the Airwaves,” published by Routledge in 2020, for which she is a contributor. The virtual event was organized by UNESCO New Delhi and SMART NGO, India.

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1. **Kevin Kecskes**, public administration faculty, and **Celine Fitzmaurice**, university studies, presented “Designing and Cultivating Civic Spaces in the Classroom and Beyond” for faculty throughout Mexico from Feb. 2 through 5, hosted by the Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Mayores de Monterrey (ITESM).
2. **Mellie Pullman**, business faculty, presented “Engaging Videos” at the International Purchasing and Supply Education and Research Association (IPSERA) Educators Workshop on Jan. 22.

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1. **Brenda Glascott**, University Honors College faculty, wrote a chapter titled “Affection, Intimacy, and Labor Organizing: Queering Public Activism in the Long Nineteenth Century” in the book [“Nineteenth-Century American Activist Rhetorics,”](#) published by the Modern Language Association of America.
2. **John Nimmo**, curriculum and instruction faculty, co-authored the article “Environments as a Place to Thrive: The Passing of Elizabeth ‘Liz’ Prescott” published in Exchange Magazine.
3. **David Raffo**, business faculty, co-authored [“Towards the Statistical Construction of Hybrid Development Methods”](#) in the Journal of Software: Evolution and Process.
4. **Jack Straton**, physics and university studies faculty, had one of his photographs chosen to be part of the February 2021 Group Art Show, a national show of all media, at Jones Gallery in Kansas City, Missouri, Feb. 3-25.

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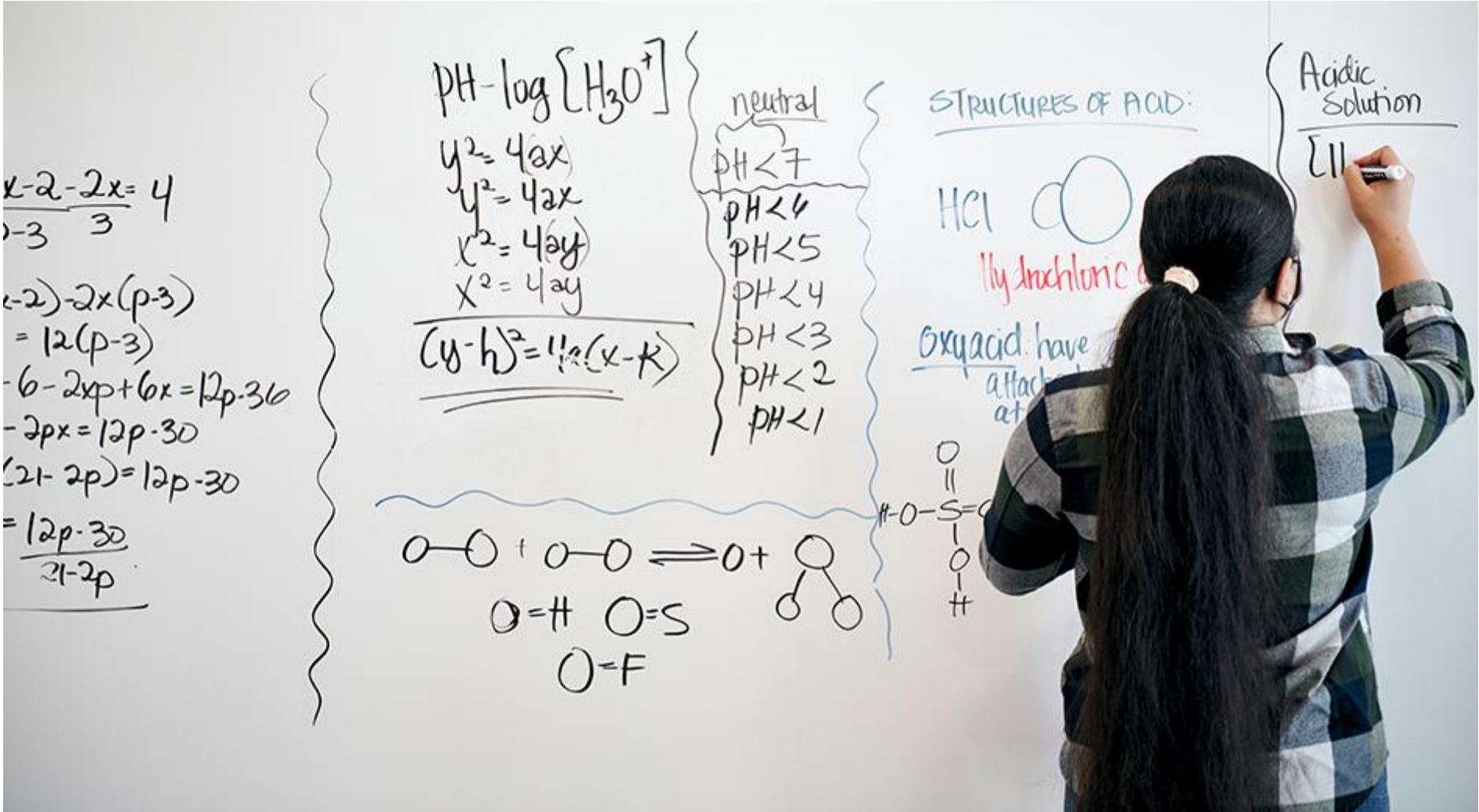
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1. **Maria Tenorio, Ingrid Anderson** and **John Nimmo**, curriculum and instruction, have been awarded an American Indian/American Native Educator Success Grant of \$125,000 from the Oregon Department of Education for the Indigenous First Steps: Family, Culture, Community (IFS) planning program seeking to promote culturally-specific early learning programs for American Indian/American Native (AI/AN) children in the state of Oregon.

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