

June 2018

UM celebrated 2,083 **degree candidates**, 2,638 students on the **Dean's List** and **nearly 100 University Scholars**.

UM announced a **new certificate** in Native American Studies.

MontanaPBS aired student work statewide, including "Montana Jails Slammed for Solutions" and the 25th season of "Business: Made in Montana," a television program featuring Big Sky State-based businesses.

The UM School of Journalism announced its distinguished **Pollner Professors** for the 2018-19 academic year. The school also has established a new **media lab** to serve as a center of innovation.

Journalism Professor Joe Eaton won a **Fulbright grant** to teach journalism at Tra Vinh University in Vietnam's Mekong Delta in June. Eaton also led 15 UM students to Korea on a reporting trip in May to produce **multimedia stories** to run on CityLab.

UM is busy this summer:

- Expert Indian law scholars and practitioners from around the country are leading **nine** weeks of courses at the Alexander Blewett III School of Law.
- UM will hold **Summer Orientation** Wednesday through Friday, June 20-22.
- The UMDeWit RiteCare Speech, Language and Hearing clinic will hold **several camps** for kids this summer to boost literacy and social skills.
- UM's SpectrUM Discovery Area continues its community outreach. A video co-produced by one of its science educators was included in the National Science Foundation's 2018 STEM for All Video Showcase. SpectrUM also hosted the Bitterroot Maker Fair and the first-ever Science and Tech Festival on the Flathead Reservation.
- The Jeannette Rankin Peace Center will host a series of **community dialogues** with the 2018 Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows from UM.
- UM hosted the Mobile Summer Institute on Scientific Teaching June 4-7.

UM Professor Julie Wolter earned a **\$4.5 million National Institutes of Health Grant** to research dyslexia.

A **team of scientists** led by UM cell biologist Mark Grimes has identified networks inside lung cancer cells that will help understand this cancer and fight it with drug treatments. The paper was published as the **cover article** of the May 22 issue of Science Signaling.

The New York Times featured UM research on sea spiders in the May 28 article "**Breathe Deep: How the Antarctic Sea Spider Gets Oxygen**."

Figures released by the Institute for Tourism and Recreation Research at UM show that nearly 87 percent Montanans who participate in outdoor recreation on water are aware of the invasive aquatic mussel issue.

UM Dining recently acquired **six Welsh Harlequin ducks** to help managing pests and weeds while providing eggs and natural fertilizer.