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Montana State University has once again been designated a university with [very high research activity](#) by the Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research's Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. MSU is one of 130 universities nationwide — out of 4,338 U.S. higher education institutions — to be included in this category.

Suzanne Held and Alma McCormick, co-directors of a collaborative partnership between MSU and members of the Apsáalooke (Crow) Nation of rural southeastern Montana were [recognized nationally for their work to promote health equity and social justice](#) by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Researchers at MSU are leading a \$2 million [grant](#) across a four-state region to attack a major hardship in organic farming: perennial weeds.

An MSU-led expedition [made international headlines](#) following the unexpected discovery of the remains of tiny animals in a lake beneath more than a half mile of Antarctic ice.

MSU online [online master's degree program](#) in environmental sciences delivers access to students in wild places.

[Entrepreneurial opportunities](#) in the Jake Jabs College of Business and Entrepreneurship were highlighted in an article in BizEd magazine, which went to 51,000 readers globally.

[A long-running research project at MSU](#) to build radiation-tolerant computers to help NASA has produced a way to turn random impacts from cosmic radiation into a cybersecurity tool.

MSU Architecture professor Maire O'Neill Conrad received the [John N. DeHaas Memorial Award for Outstanding Service to Historic Preservation](#) for [her projects, education and training contributions to Montana's historic preservation](#).

MSU was [designated a Bee Campus USA](#) by the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation, the first Montana campus to qualify. The designation recognizes university's pollinator-friendly practices and programs.

A new [partnership between MSU Leadership Institute and the city of Bozeman](#) has provided an outreach opportunity for civil engineering graduate student Heather Nold. For a year, Nold will meet regularly with the Bozeman mayor to learn about public service at the municipal level and look into strategies for helping the city manage its water supply.

Wan-Yuan Kuo, head of MSU's new Food Product Development Laboratory, and her students have been [working with Harlowton-based Cream of the West](#) to improve the company's pancakes, which are served in MSU dining halls through the Farm to Campus program.