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Madison Myers, assistant professor of Earth sciences, was recently awarded a [National Science Foundation CAREER Grant](#) for her work in the dynamics of magma storage and eruption for Yellowstone's most recent supereruption.

MSU professor Eric Boyd received a [\\$3.4 million grant](#) from the U.S. Department of Energy to continue research into biomining strategically important metals.

MSU [received \\$2.2 million grant](#) for program to recruit and graduate American Indian and Alaska Native nurses in MSU's Caring for our Own (Co-op) program.

Gravitational researchers at MSU, working as part of an international collaboration, confirmed the [first-ever detection](#) of a collision between a black hole and a neutron star.

The MSU [women's rodeo team captured its third national championship](#) and an individual title in barrel racing and a share of the all-around title at the College National Finals Rodeo.

Gallatin College MSU offered a new [job-site ready training](#) program to fill the strong demand for construction workers. This fall, a one-year program will be offered in [heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration program \(HVAC\)](#) technician. A two-year program will come in Fall 2022.

Leo Killback, associate professor in the Department of Native American Studies, has won the [2021 Stubbendieck Great Plains Distinguished Book Prize](#) for his two-volume history of the Cheyenne Nation.

MSU and Little Big Horn College [received \\$500,000](#) from the USDA's New Beginnings for Tribal Students Program to fund programming geared toward Native American student success.

Mallory Molina, who studies black holes in dwarf galaxies, was awarded a [2021 Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship](#), recognizing the academic achievements and increasing diversity.

Starting this fall, MSU's Norm Asbjornson College of Engineering will offer a [Bachelor of Science in biomedical engineering](#), which will prepare students to create new diagnostic devices, prosthetics, pharmaceuticals and more.

Fifteen educators who work in Montana and Alaska received scholarships that will help them complete a Montana State University [library media certificate program](#) infused with Indigenous perspectives.

A team of MSU scientists [published research](#) earlier this month evaluating the effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines and seeking to learn more about how long the resulting antibody protection may last.