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- **MSU Billings sees significant increase in dual enrollment.** MSUB's dual enrollment program saw a large increase in headcount this spring semester, with 1,025 high school students enrolled. This is a 14 percent increase from spring 2021 semester and the highest ever dual enrollment headcount for MSUB.
- **MSU Billings earns gold Military Friendly designation.** MSUB has been named a gold-rated Military Friendly school for 2022-23 from MilitaryFriendly.com, the longest running review of institutions that have a tradition of supporting military affiliated students. Only 282 out of 1,800 institutions received the gold rating.
- **MSU Billings students receive prestigious scholarship and award.** Student Meghan Reed was awarded the George M. Dennison Civic Engagement Scholarship along with twelve other students from Montana, who have demonstrated dedication to their community through their time, energy, and resources, while pursuing higher education. Honors student Jessica Tiry was awarded the Montana Student Volunteer Award along with thirteen other Montana students, which recognizes the civic contributions they make all year to their communities.
- **Student Mariah Fogle honored as Newman Civic Fellow.** MSUB student Mariah Fogle joins students from 38 other states to form the cohort of students named Newman Civic Fellows for their commitment to creating positive change in communities locally and around the world. Fogle is a first-generation City College student, involved in TRIO Student Support Services, and gives back to her community through volunteering and encouraging others to explore civic engagement opportunities.
- **Marketing students boost professional skills at international conference.** MSUB's student marketing club members attended the American Marketing Association International Collegiate Conference in Chicago this semester. Students had the opportunity to develop strong professional networks and practice their skills through participating in competitions, thus showcasing their knowledge gained from their education on an international scale.
- **Student Mandi McCraw named New Century Workforce Scholar.** City College student Mandi McCraw recently received the New Century Workforce Scholarship, the first of its kind on a national scale which supports students at associate degree-granting institutions as they plan to enter the workforce upon degree completion. McCraw is a first-generation college student studying business, has been a stay-at-home parent for 14 years and homeschools her children. She plans to open a coffee shop in her hometown of Fort Smith, MT after she graduates.
- **MSU Billings honors faculty for their excellence.** This year, 17 faculty members received honors for their exemplary efforts at the annual Faculty Excellence Celebration. Awards include recognition for supporting students with disabilities, mentoring young female professionals, promoting international student success, outstanding service learning, outstanding part-time faculty, excellence award for non-tenured faculty, faculty leadership on university and City College campus, faculty excellence awards, the Winston & Helen Cox Fellowship Award, along with the Walter and Charlotte Pippenger Excellence in Innovation Award, which was awarded to a diverse group of faculty and staff.
- **MSU Billings Foundation & Alumni hires permanent President & CEO.** Krista Montague was hired as the permanent President & CEO of the MSUB Foundation & Alumni. She had been serving as the Interim President since December 2021, a few weeks after the former President & CEO Bill Kennedy announced his retirement. Montague previously served as MSUB's Athletic Director for nine years.
- **17th Annual International Food Fair returns.** MSUB's popular International Food Fair returned after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Fair included cuisine from 11 different countries and regions around the world SUB has international students. Some countries represented this year included Turkmenistan, India, Japan, South Korea, Nepal, South Africa, China, Germany, and Russia.