HEADLINES

The Graduate School Offers Mentoring Training for Faculty

The Graduate School is pleased to offer four in-person sessions of mentor training over January break. This training is for faculty from all disciplines. The Graduate School is commemorating its 50th year of graduate education and will mark the occasion with an open house, an alumni panel discussion and an awards ceremony, among other events, this month. Details on these events can be found in a special insert in the Dec. 6 issue of Sports Business Journal.

Public Service Endowment Grants Deadline Extended to Feb. 4

The deadline for submissions to the Public Service Endowment Grants for Faculty Development position in the Office of Faculty Development has been extended to Friday, Feb. 4, 2022. The mandate of the internal funding program has been extended to Friday, Feb. 4, 2022.

Internal Search for the Associate Provost for Faculty Development Announced

Michelle Budig, senior vice provost for faculty affairs, is pleased to announce the acceptance of internal applications for the Associate Provost for Faculty Development position in the Office of Faculty Development. The search is open to all faculty at UMass Amherst.

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Ethan Katsch, professor emeritus of legal studies, and co-directed by Leah Wing, senior lecturer II of legal studies in the department of political science, has been selected to participate in the first-ever International Co-sponsored Meeting on Culture, Heritage and Climate Change, which will be held in London, England, this month.

In a First, Researchers Design Robots That Don't Need Electricity

Tony Maroulis has been named executive director of community and economic development for Massachusetts' Springfield. The appointment is effective Jan. 1, 2022.

Liane Brandon Receives Grant to Restore, Preserve Early Feminist Film

Professor emerita Liane Brandon, a founder of New Day Films, has received a grant from the New York Women in Film and Television’s Flight Fund. The grant will be used to complete the restoration of two silent films made by women in the 1920s and 1930s. One of the films was directed by Brandon.

Policy

Katsch and Wing Play Key Role in Development of Indian Online Dispute Resolution

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Brabec Selected to Participate in Meeting on Culture, Heritage and Climate Change

Elizabeth Brabec, professor of landscape architecture and regional planning, is part of a group that’s participating in an international co-sponsored meeting on culture, heritage and climate change. The meeting will be held in London, England.

Butler Utilizes Wastewater Monitoring to Help Mitigate Spread of COVID-19 on UMass Amherst Campus

Caitlyn Butler, an associate professor in civil and environmental engineering, is part of a large team that’s monitoring the presence of SARS-CoV-2 in the wastewater associated with the UMass Amherst campus.

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A research team including a UMass Amherst computer scientist has received a $1.1 million grant to further develop a smartwatch sensor for early detection of opioid misuse.

Dasgupta Tapped to Help Diversify the Tech Industry

Laboratory and UMass Amherst recently announced that they have received a $1.1 million grant to further develop a smartwatch sensor for early detection of opioid misuse.

PEOPLE

Video: Arts Bridge Transformation

Get a glimpse inside the newly renovated Arts Bridge in the Randolph W. Bromery Center for the Arts.

21st Century Leaders Award Call for Nominations

The University of Massachusetts Amherst seeks nominations of graduating seniors for the 21st Century Leaders Awards. Nominations will be accepted through Thursday, Jan. 13, 2022.

No Accounting: How Two UMass Amherst Scientists Are Balancing the Planet’s Atmosphere

A pair of researchers at UMass Amherst recently published the results of a study that probed the role of the world’s rivers in the atmosphere.

COVID-19 Update From the UMass Public Health Promotion Center

The Public Health Promotion Center emailed the campus community on Thursday, reminding students to wear masks indoors and to pick up COVID-19 test kits if they choose to test before leaving campus for winter break.

Booster Shots and Spring Public Health Protocols for Employees

McCarthy, provost and senior vice chancellor for academic affairs, emailed faculty and staff earlier this week announcing COVID-19 booster shots will be required for all eligible faculty and staff. The requirement is intended to ensure maximum protection against COVID-19.

An Update into the Investigation of Racist Emails

On Wednesday, Christopher Misra, vice chancellor for information services and technology, emailed the campus community with an update into the investigation to determine the source of anti-Black racist emails.

Drive Innovation in Patient Care and Medical Product Development

Two visionary financial gifts have provided a strong foundation for UMass Amherst nurses and engineers to collaborate and lead transformational change in patient care, nursing practice and medical product development.

Smartwatch Sensor May Help Prevent Opioid Relapse, Overdose and Dependency

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I join you in reflecting on the world we are and on the global community we seek to build.

I’m reminded of the many times shared in the past year to speak out against racism and on the need for a global community that is built on the values of equity, inclusion and mutual respect. Together we can build a better tomorrow. Wishing you the treasured holiday season and a new year filled with good health, love and laughter. 

P.S. If you wish to send your weekly update to someone in your address book, you can forward it by copying and pasting the entire text into your email and sending it as a new message.

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