**News and Media Relations**

**Volunteers Sought for Study on Children, Media and Food Advertising**

The Center for Research on Families is currently recruiting children aged 9 to 11 years old for a study on the psychological and brain sciences. Graduate students in psychology and brain sciences will assist in drafting clear and comprehensive research aims. A workshop designed to assist graduate students in drafting research aims is scheduled for February 15, 16, and 17 in Lederle Lowrise, floor 2.

**UMass Amherst Libraries Host Exhibit, 'Botanicals: An Exploration of Wild and Domestic Plants'**

The UMass Amherst Libraries have opened an exhibit, "Botanicals: An Exploration of Wild and Domestic Plants," featuring works from the Mass Aggie Seed Library in the Science and Engineering Library, the John J. Burns Library Special Collections & Rare Books, and the University of Massachusetts Archives.

**Thousands of New Book Titles to Patrons and the Public**

UMass Libraries have invested in new publishing models, including open access initiatives, to bring thousands of new titles to patrons and the public at no cost.

**UMass Libraries Invest in New Publishing Models:**

The libraries' commitment to open access initiatives is to ensure that scholars have free access to previously inaccessible content and to encourage the broader dissemination of research.

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**for The New York Times, Selected as POLITICO Breaking News Summer Intern**

Journalism student Matt Berg has been selected as a POLITICO Breaking News summer intern. Berg, a journalism student, will work with POLITICO program, the POLITICO Journalism Institute.

**University Health Services Welcomes New Clinicians**

University Health Services recently welcomed four medical providers to its team of college health experts. The new clinicians will provide primary care services to students on campus.

**Dean of Research and Learning**

**Neurobiologist Collaborates in Research to Develop New Treatment Technology for Alzheimer’s Disease**

Jennifer Rauch, assistant professor of biochemistry and molecular biology, and Lisa O. Giordano, professor of biology, are collaborating on a two-year, $700,000 National Institutes of Health grant to develop new treatment technology for Alzheimer’s disease, chronic traumatic encephalopathy and other neurodegenerative diseases.

**Public Engagement Project Announces 2022 Faculty Fellows**

The Public Engagement Project has announced the eight faculty members who will serve as 2022 faculty fellows. The eight faculty members will draw on their substantial research records to impact policy, the work of practitioners and public debates.

**PEOPLE**

**Mellon Foundation Awards Five Colleges $1.6 Million Faculty Development Grant**

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has awarded a $1.6 million grant to the five Colleges of the Five College Consortium to support faculty development initiatives.

**UMass Amherst Student Amanda Desmond Named a 2022 Brooke Owens Fellow**

Amanda Desmond, a junior economics and space science major, has been named one of 51 Brooke Owens Fellows for 2022. The Brooke Owens Fellowship is a competitive national award for undergraduate and graduate students selected for another competitive fellowship.

**UMass Dining to Celebrate Black History Month with Two Acclaimed Chefs**

UMass Dining will host a week-long dining event in the Campus Center Auditorium featuring acclaimed chefs Kevin Mitchell and Paulette Ngachoko from Feb. 7-11 from 5 to 8 p.m.

**Speaking Truth to Power: A Homecoming Event with Johnnetta Betsch Cole**

UMass Amherst will host noted anthropologist and former President of Spelman College, Johnnetta Betsch Cole, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. In addition to being a UMass Amherst professor of anthropology from 1970-83, Cole served as associate provost for community engagement.

**Search Advisory Committee Named for Selection of New Provost**

Chancellor Kumble Subbaswamy has appointed a search advisory committee to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of internal candidates for the position of provost. The committee will consist of academic department heads, faculty members' administrative leadership skills and experiences and community members.

**COVID-19 Update from the UMass Public Health Promotion Center: Feb. 10**

As of February 10, the campus COVID positivity rate is 6.6%, masks are still required in all campus buildings and in outdoor settings in any weather conditions.

**Interest Technology**

UMass Amherst will join the National Network of Universities Dedicated to Public Interest Technology.

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