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President Harreld announces plan for retirement

University of Iowa President Bruce Harreld has asked the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, to begin a search for the UI's next president. Harreld, whose contract runs through June 2023, has informed the Board of his desire to retire as soon as a successor can be appointed. Learn more on *Iowa Now*.



Reminder: Get your flu shot early this year

Early flu vaccination is recommended this year due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. [Download a schedule of on-campus vaccine clinics for UI faculty and staff \(PDF\)](#). Faculty and Staff who are unable to attend a scheduled flu vaccination clinic can use an [online scheduling tool](#) for several UI Health Care locations and times or use [MyChart](#) to schedule.



Don't forget performance review deadlines and policies

This fall is one of two performance review seasons on campus. Units on a Jan. 1 salary cycle should complete annual performance reviews of professional and scientific staff members by Dec. 31 or earlier. The university's performance review policy, helpful tips, and resources are available on the University Human Resources website.



Lulu Merle Johnson: The new namesake of Johnson County

Lulu Merle Johnson grew up in Iowa, helped end segregation at the University of Iowa, and as a scholar changed our view of slavery. She's now the new namesake of our very own Johnson County. Learn more on *Iowa Now*.



Dates for winter 2020 and spring 2021

The spring 2021 semester will begin on Monday, Jan. 25, one week later than originally planned, and there will be no spring break in March. This change was made in consideration of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the ability to maintain the same number of instruction days while starting one week later. For more information about dates for the winter and spring sessions, see the UI Coronavirus website.



UI ready to guide GEAR UP Iowa students through first year of college

The University of Iowa is using the \$214,500 GEAR UP Iowa College Partner Grant to provide additional resources to students as they make the transition from high school to college, including Summer Bridge Program, peer mentoring, academic coaching, and more.



Highway 6 pedestrian bridge maintenance closures and pedestrian detours through Nov. 1

Repairs and maintenance to the Highway 6 pedestrian bridge between Newton Road and the UI College of Public Health will require partial and complete closures of the bridge and the ADA accessible ramp. The work is being completed in three phases, concluding Nov. 1. Visit the UI Parking and Transportation website for detailed information.



Imborek talks flu and COVID-19 with Radio Iowa

Katie Imborek, a family medicine physician at University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics, speaks with Radio Iowa about the importance of controlling the spread of flu during the COVID-19 pandemic. Learn more on the Radio Iowa website.



5 resources to share with students who are parents

Some students at Iowa are also parents, and UI Family Services can help them by providing support related to child care, lactation rooms, and other needs. Please review and share the programs provided by UI Family Services.



Hawkeye Distinguished Veterans Award call for nominees

The Hawkeye Distinguished Veterans Award was established in 2015 to honor distinguished members of the armed forces who have demonstrated exceptional service to both the United States and their communities. Five veterans with University of Iowa ties, including one current UI student, are selected annually for the award. Nominations are due Oct. 9. Find all the details on the award webpage.



Apply to OVPR Fall 2020 Arts and Humanities Initiative grant program

The Office of the Vice President for Research (OVPR) is accepting applications for the fall 2020 Arts and Humanities Initiative program. This program encourages leading edge scholarship, creative activities, and interdisciplinary research. The application deadline is Oct. 13. Find out more on the OVPR website.

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