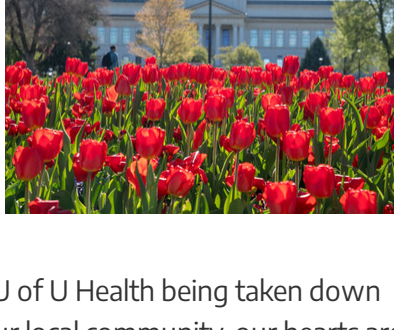
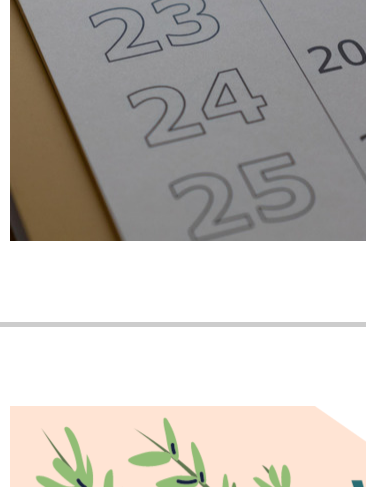


Tent Take Down Signals a Positive Shift in COVID-19 Management

Utah is currently experiencing a stable period in the pandemic with overall numbers of cases on a flat trend. I found hopefulness in [this video](#) (UID login required) of three of the Blu-Med tents with U of U Health being taken down last week. While this is an encouraging trend for our local community, our hearts are with our students and staff with connections to other areas in the US and world that are experiencing the tragic impacts of increased cases such as India and Brazil.



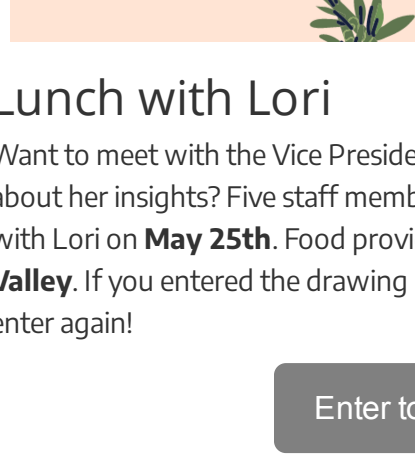
--Lori McDonald, Vice President for Student Affairs



All Staff Meeting Schedule

With Commencement and Convocation, we will not hold an All-Staff meeting in May and hope you will help celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates! We look forward to seeing on the following dates this summer!

- June 3rd, 11 am
- July 1st, 11 am
- August 5th, 11 am



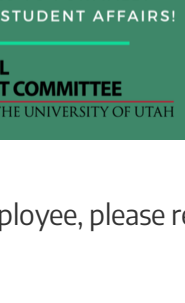
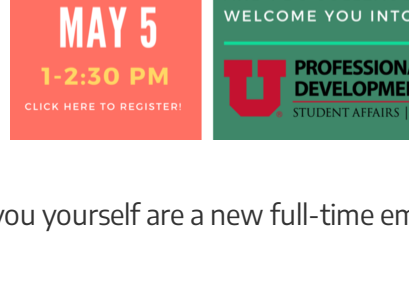
WIN LUNCH WITH VP LORI MCDONALD

Enter the drawing below

Lunch with Lori

Want to meet with the Vice President to share your perspectives and learn more about her insights? Five staff members will be randomly selected for a Zoom lunch with Lori on **May 25th**. Food provided by Chartwells for those **within the SL Valley**. If you entered the drawing previously and were not selected, we hope you'll enter again!

Enter to win Lunch with Lori

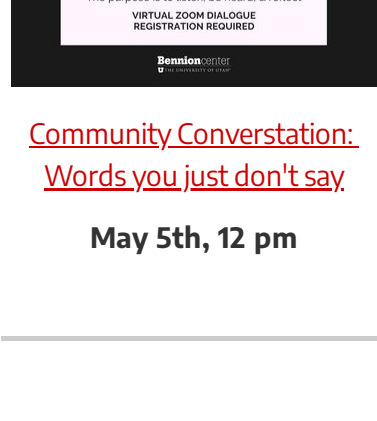


Student Affairs New Employee Onboarding

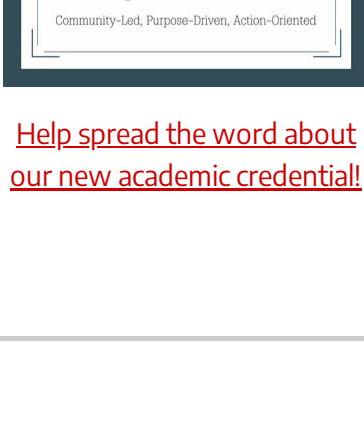
The Professional Development Committee is holding its quarterly New Employee Onboarding on **May 5th, 1-2:30**. If you have new employees that haven't registered yet or

you yourself are a new full-time employee, please register [here](#).

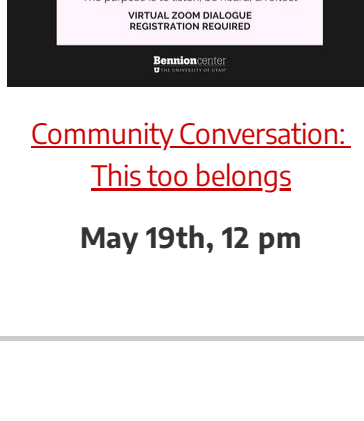
Bennion Center Announcements:



[Community Conversation: Words you just don't say](#)
 May 5th, 12 pm



[Help spread the word about our new academic credential!](#)



[Community Conversation: This too belongs](#)
 May 19th, 12 pm

Beacons of Excellence

Beacons of Excellence Award Nominations

Office of Undergraduate Studies and Student Affairs is now accepting nominations for this year's Beacons of Excellence awards. This year's nominations celebrate "Beacons of Change." We invite you to nominate individuals or programs disrupting the status quo while creating positive change. Examples include raising awareness around marginalized students, creating institutional change, and advancing racial justice across campus.

For more information and the link for nominations visit <https://beacons.utah.edu/>

Download flyers, banners, and social media graphics at <https://uofu.box.com/s/ftbm0vyrqan5t04mctvav316in92496r>

Check out the announcement in this week's @THEU <https://attheu.utah.edu/announcements/2021-beacons-of-excellence-nominations-open/>

Upcoming Campus Recreation Events

Sweat The Stress | FREE Fitness Classes

Free for CRS members, take any of [these fitness classes](#) to break up your day between studying and finals! Sweat the stress out, and feel good during the weeks ahead. [Learn more about each class](#) and sign up at campusrec.utah.edu.

New Summer Semester Hours at Student Life Center

Starting May 8 through Aug 22, campusrec.utah.edu

Student Life Center is Hiring for Summer and Fall!

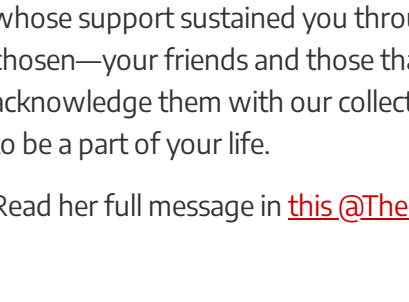
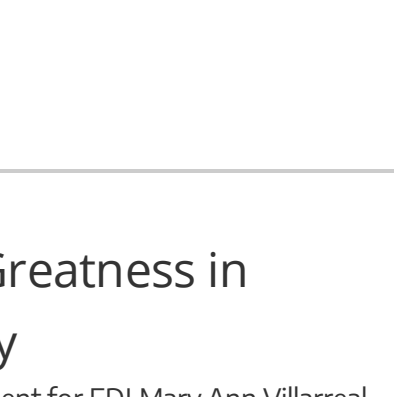
Register for an upcoming recruitment session, see all dates at campusrec.utah.edu/employment. Specific needs include: lifeguards, climbing specialists, and bike technicians!

Student speaker:

Kirsten Caron

University of Utah senior Kirsten Caron has been chosen as the 2021 General Commencement student speaker. After putting off school to raise her child, Caron is graduating with a degree in psychology and a certificate in applied positive psychology at age 43.

Read more about Kirsten in [this @TheU article](#).



Gift of Greatness in Diversity

By: Vice President for EDI Mary Ann Villarreal

As graduation day nears, I think about the people surrounding all of you, those without the robes whose support sustained you through this journey. Your families—biological and chosen—your friends and those that loved you through it all, allow us a moment to acknowledge them with our collective gratitude for their support and for allowing us to be a part of your life.

Read her full message in [this @TheU article](#).

In case you missed these. . .



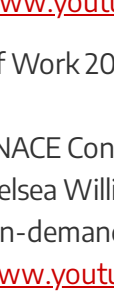
[Volunteer for college convocations](#)



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[What do you think of the COVID-19 response?](#)

Student Affairs Committee Updates



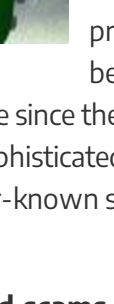
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Featured On-demand Trainings:

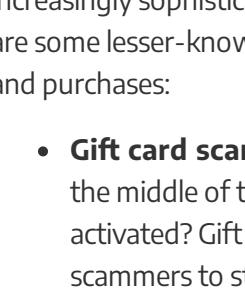
Title: Continuing the Conversation on Race and Racism
Presented by: Alumni Relations Office, University of Utah; SJ Quinney College of Law, University of Utah; College of Social Work, University of Utah
Presenters: Dean Martell Teasley (Social Work); Dean Elizabeth Kronk Warner (Law)
Date/Time: On-demand
Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tG8xtc3HEbo>

Title: Future of Work 2020: 5 Strategies to Develop & Retain Diverse Early Career Talent
Description: NACE Connect
Presenter: Chelsea Williams, Colleaguecode
Date/Time: On-demand
Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BuDywnNQKaA>

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Staff Wellness Committee
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April is Financial Literacy Month

As we close out Financial Wellness Month, we wanted to provide an overview on one of the fastest ways you can become financially UNwell: falling prey to a scam. Scams have been on the rise since the pandemic began, and scammer tactics are becoming increasingly sophisticated. While you may think you've heard it all about scams, here are some lesser-known scammer schemes that could impact your everyday activities and purchases:

- **Gift card scams.** Do you know why it's important to choose a gift card from the middle of the rack, or why you should use gift cards quickly after they're activated? Gift card numbers are one of the easiest pieces of information for scammers to steal. [Here is an overview of some of the most common gift card scams.](#)
- **Hotel scams.** Now that it's becoming safer to travel again, it's possible you could encounter a hotel scam. Common hotel scams include bogus WiFi networks that are actually set up to steal your personal info, or even fake room service menus that are designed to convince you to give out your credit card number over the phone! [More information on hotel scams can be found here.](#)

The best way to stay up-to-date on current scams is to check out the [Federal Trade Commission's Consumer Information website](#). You can even sign up to receive email alerts about popular scams. Stay informed to stay financially well!

COVID-19 Updates from University of Utah Health

Dr. Michael Good, Interim President of University of Utah and Senior Vice President of University of Utah Health, provided his update on COVID-19 on April 27th. You can watch it here:



COVID-19 Resources

[Coronavirus.utah.edu](https://coronavirus.utah.edu)

General Campus Questions Hotline
801-213-2874

Health and Testing Hotline
801-587-0712

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