

Night of Stars Honorees Announced, Experience One Campaign Raises \$11.8M, and Dr. Jessica Fowler Selected as 2023-24 Harvard Research Associate | February 24, 2023

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UMW Announces “Night of Stars” Education Hall of Fame Event

The University of Montana Western’s Education Department and Alumni Office, in partnership with Stockman Bank, present the [Tenth Annual Night of Stars](#), to be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023 on the Montana Western campus.

The schedule of events includes the Education Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at 6:00 p.m. in the Beier Auditorium, followed by hors d’ourves at 8:00 p.m. in the Lewis and Clark room, located in Mathews Hall.

This year’s inductees are: Jerry Delaney, Lacie Puyear, Jim Gilboy, Jolene Isakson Allen, and Wayne Loeffler. The UMW Outstanding Teacher Candidates are: Kortni Guardipee, Mesa King, Brynley Fitzgerald, Shelby Austin,

Tona Iwen, Cassidy Hartsoch, Ella Smith, Logan Thompson, Sarah Detlaff, Noah Danielson, LaDawn Plainfeather, and Taylor Jones.

For additional information or to purchase tickets to the Night of Stars, please contact the University of Montana Western Alumni Office at 406-683-7306.



Dr. Jessica Fowler Selected as Research Associate at Harvard University's Divinity School

Montana Western Associate Professor of History, Dr. Jessica Fowler, has been selected as one of five new Research Associates in Harvard University's Women's Studies in Religion Program. She will spend the 2023-24 academic year researching and teaching at Harvard University.

To learn more about the program and this year's associates, please visit the [Harvard Divinity School](#) website.

Save the Dates

Visit our [online events calendar](#) for more information and to [submit your scheduled events](#).

February 24

- "More Than Dust" Opening Reception, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Fine Arts Gallery

February 26-28

- Frontier Conference [Men's](#) and [Women's](#) Basketball Tournament

February 28

- TRIO Book Sale, 10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Main Hall 209 (all books only \$1!)

March 3

- [First Aid and CPR Course for UMW employees](#), 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., STC Great Room, [register by Feb. 28](#)

March 6-10

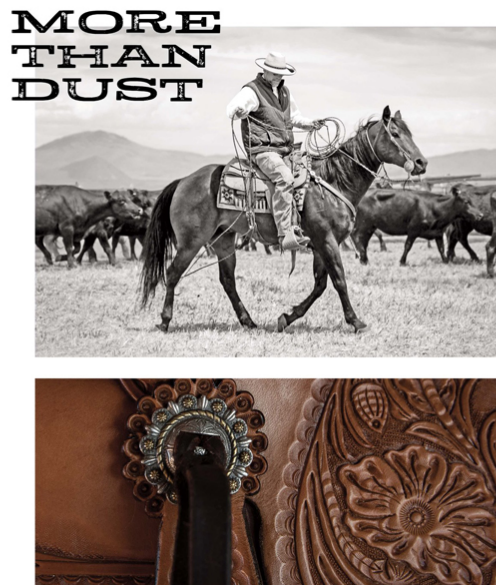
- Spring Break

March 13

- Block 7 Begins

March 17 and 24

- XDay 2023, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., [click here to learn more and view schedule](#)



"More Than Dust": an Exploration of Southwest Montana Ranching Culture Opens Tonight

The Montana Western Fine Arts Gallery invites you to the opening of "More Than Dust", an exploration of Southwest Montana's ranching culture through the lens of UMW student artists [Kim Giannone](#) and [Brigid Reedy](#). The gallery will host an opening reception of the show featuring photography and leather work on February 24, 2023, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Gallery located in Main Hall. Enjoy live music by Brigid and Johnny Reedy and refreshments from Sweetwater Coffee!



\$11.8M Raised in Historic Experience One Campaign

The University of Montana Western recently announced plans for major investments in scholarships, academic programs, athletics, and student wellness as part of the \$13M Experience One Campaign.

The largest-ever fundraising campaign in UMW's history will increase scholarship support for students, expand academic programs and the impact of Experience One, create a new Student Wellness Center, and construct a new Sports & Activities Complex on the UMW campus.

To learn more, please visit the [UMW website](#).

Facility Services Project Updates

Wellness Center: Student Senate representatives and other stakeholders are meeting weekly with BSpark Architecture on the schematic design of the proposed Wellness Center. The programming needs for the Center have been defined and some conceptual options are being vetted. The conceptual design is expected to be finalized by the middle of March. At that time, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing consultants will be engaged to work on design details and develop an accurate cost estimate.



Main Hall Exterior Door Swipe System: Four card swipe access doors in Main Hall are currently operational. The other five doors are either waiting on electronic components or programming.

To determine if a door is controlled electronically, look at the card reader. If there is a steady red light, the door is active and locked. A steady red and green light means the door is active and unlocked. If there are no indicator lights or the indicator lights are flashing, the door is not active. When the door is locked, a valid swipe results in a green light and you will hear the door unlock. More information will be provided as other doors are brought online.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact UMW Director of [Facility Services](#), Michael Brown: michael.brown@umwestern.edu or 406-683-7142.

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