
01. UNIVERSITY NEWS

Princeton research project explores past ties to slavery
Princeton scholars and students engaged in the Princeton and Slavery Project have released their findings about the ties of early University trustees, presidents, faculty and students to the institution of slavery. http://www.princeton.edu/news/2017/11/06/princeton-research-project-explores-past-ties-slavery

Princeton, a student and Microsoft file federal lawsuit to preserve DACA

Princeton offers transfer admission process for undergraduate students
Princeton has reinstated a transfer admission process for undergraduate students, and transfer applications will start to be reviewed in the spring for entry in fall 2018. http://www.princeton.edu/news/2017/10/24/princeton-offers-transfer-admission-process-undergraduate-students

At Freshman Families Weekend, families share in the Princeton experience

02. ACADEMIC DIGEST

Neutron star merger confirms decades of predictions by Princeton researchers
In August, the Laser Interferometry Gravitational-Wave Observatory (LIGO) detected the fifth fingerprint of a massive disturbance in spacetime since LIGO began operations in 2015. Princeton researchers have been studying neutron stars and their astronomical signatures for decades. http://www.princeton.edu/news/2017/11/01/neutron-star-merger-confirms-decades-predictions-princeton-researchers
Are the grandkids worth it? Climate change policy depends on how we value human population
How much to invest in policies — like setting an appropriate carbon tax — to protect future generations from environmental destruction depends on how society chooses to value human population. To determine the ideal mitigation policy, a research team led by Princeton University, the University of Vermont and the University of Texas-Austin employed a climate-economic model to examine two ethical approaches.

Todorov explores the ‘Irresistible Influence of First Impressions’
In this Q&A, Princeton psychologist Alexander Todorov discusses his research on first impressions and the power of the human face.

Uncovering the sound of ‘motherese,’ baby talk across languages
When using the special communication mode known as baby talk or “motherese,” mothers change their vocal timbre in quantifiable ways, say Princeton researchers who identified the timbre shift and trained a computer to identify baby talk with only a one-second audio clip.

Old phones get new life in high-powered computer servers
Princeton researchers are envisioning a way to breathe new life into old smartphones by turning them into high-powered computer servers.

03. ALUMNI INTEREST

Veteran TV news anchor Gibson, award-winning author Mendelsohn to receive top alumni awards
Princeton will present its top honors for alumni to veteran television journalist Charles Gibson ’65 and author and critic Daniel Mendelsohn *94. Gibson, who earned his bachelor’s degree in history, will receive the Woodrow Wilson Award. Mendelsohn, who earned a Ph.D. in classics, will receive the James Madison Medal. They will receive the awards and deliver addresses on campus during Alumni Day activities on Saturday, Feb. 24.
Learn, connect and cheer on the Tigers!
Attend the Fall Football Lecture at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, in McDonnell Hall, Room A01, and hear from Sam Wang, professor of molecular biology and the Princeton Neuroscience Institute, founder of the Princeton Election Consortium and co-host of “Politics & Polls.” He will discuss “Can Math Save Democracy? Election Reforms from Gerrymandering to the Electoral College.” All alumni and guests are invited to the annual Tiger Tailgate on Fine Plaza prior to the Yale football game at 11 a.m. Kickoff is at 1 p.m. For more information or to register for these events, go to:
http://alumni.princeton.edu/goinback/football/tailgate/
Schedule of all athletic events: http://goprincetontigers.com

Travel to French Polynesia with Princeton Journeys
Created by ancient volcanic fires and sculpted by waves and wind over countless millennia, the enchanting isles of Tahiti, Bora Bora and Rangiroa have beckoned travelers to their coasts for centuries. Join Gabriel Vecchi, professor of geosciences and the Princeton Environmental Institute, on a getaway cruise to the South Pacific, June 7-16, 2018. An expert National Geographic expedition team will add incomparable dimensions to your experience, sharing their knowledge of the intriguing Polynesian ecosystem. Dive masters and an undersea specialist will maximize your time exploring the coral reefs, and a veteran National Geographic photographer will offer advice — for both novice and more advanced photographers — honed from years on assignment. To register, contact the Princeton Journeys team at 609-258-8686 or journeys@princeton.edu. http://alumni.princeton.edu/learntravel/journeys/roster/frenchpolynesia18/index.xml

TigerTalks in the City: Entrepreneurship in the life sciences
“Entrepreneurship in the Life Sciences,” the next installment of TigerTalks in the City, will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, at WeWork in Chelsea. Shahram Hejazi, a lecturer and entrepreneurship specialist in electrical engineering and the Keller Center for Innovation in Engineering Education, will lead the discussion. The event will explore the challenges and opportunities of biotech startups and will feature several Princeton alumni. A networking reception will follow the discussion. This event is free, but registration is required: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tigertalks-in-the-city-entrepreneurship-in-the-life-sciences-tickets-39227156481

From the PAW: Scratch That
Mitchel Resnick ’78, the Lego Papert Professor of Learning Research at MIT, developed one of the world’s most popular coding languages. But unless you’re 12, you might not have heard of Scratch: It’s fun, it’s free and kids around the globe can create their own video games, serialized television shows and dancing cat cartoons. http://paw.princeton.edu/article/scratch
President’s page, “Realizing a Bold Vision for the Arts”: http://paw.princeton.edu/article/realizing-bold-vision-arts
04. GIFTS TO PRINCETON

Alumni and friends gather to dedicate the Louis A. Simpson International Building
The Louis A. Simpson International Building, made possible by a gift from Louis A. Simpson ’60 and his wife, Kimberly K. Querrey, was dedicated on Oct. 16. “You have Princeton’s deepest thanks,” President Christopher L. Eisgruber ’83 told the couple, “for strengthening our efforts to prepare our students to thrive as citizens of the world.”

Princeton’s Center on Contemporary China named in honor of Paul and Marcia Wythes
A gift from the Wythes family has named the University’s Center on Contemporary China in honor of former trustee Paul Wythes ’55 and his wife, Marcia. “The Paul and Marcia Wythes Center on Contemporary China will bring together students, faculty and visiting experts to explore the sociology, culture, political structure and economy of a nation that has a tremendous impact on the world,” said President Christopher L. Eisgruber ’83.

Timothy M. Kingston ’87 named chair of Princeton’s Annual Giving Committee
Timothy M. Kingston ’87, chairman of Goldman Chile, has been named chair of Princeton University’s Annual Giving Committee. Annual Giving provides unrestricted funds to meet the University’s highest priorities and most pressing needs. “I am delighted that Tim Kingston will spearhead this year’s Annual Giving campaign,” said President Christopher L. Eisgruber ’83. “He has a deep commitment to the University’s mission, extensive experience as an Annual Giving volunteer and the leadership skills needed to energize his fellow AG volunteers and inspire Princeton’s alumni, parents and friends.”
http://giving.princeton.edu/impact-stories/timothy-m-kingston-87-named-chair-princetons-annual-giving-committee

05. MULTIMEDIA FEATURES

Video: Princeton Profiles: So Kubota *17, researching family issues in economics
As he earned his Ph.D. in economics at Princeton, So Kubota *17 applied his perspective as a father to his research and shared his Japanese culture with his friends and host family.

Video: Fear, explained in 90 seconds
Princeton professor Michael Graziano ’89 *96 explains that fear is all in your head.
Video: Princeton Profiles: Jazmyn Blackburn, dedicated to service through education
The junior sociology major is passionate about shaping young minds and helping children understand the world around them.

06. EXHIBITS & EVENTS

Building movements in the age of polarization, Nov. 8
Ai-jen Poo, executive director of the National Domestic Workers Alliance and co-director of Caring Across Generations, will give a public talk at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, in Robertson Hall.

Lecture: ‘Climate Surprises: Pivotal Generations and Risk Transfer’ Nov. 9
Henry Shue, a senior research fellow at the University of Oxford’s Centre for International Studies, will discuss the moral implications of mitigating climate change now versus passing the risk on to future generations in his lecture, “Climate Surprises: Pivotal Generations and Risk Transfer,” at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9, in McCormick Hall, Room 101.

Lewis Center for the Arts’ Program in Theater presents ‘Eclipsed’ starting Nov. 10
Danai Gurira’s gripping drama tells the story of five extraordinary women brought together by upheaval in their homeland of Liberia and their tale of survival, hope, humor and resilience near the end of the Second Liberian Civil War. This production’s professional guest director is Shariffa Ali and it features senior Ugonna Nwabueze. Performances are at 8 p.m. Nov. 10, 11, 16, 17 and 18 at the Berlind Theatre at McCarter Theatre Center.
http://arts.princeton.edu/events/eclipsed-danai-gurira/2017-11-10/

A conversation with writer and producer John Sacret Young ’69 Nov. 13
Join award-winning writer and producer John Sacret Young ’69 (“China Beach,” “The West Wing”) for a visual presentation and conversation with Princeton Professor of Visual Arts Joe Scanlan focusing around Young’s latest memoir, “Pieces of Glass – An Artoir,” about the effect art has had on his writing, his screen work and his life. The talk is at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13, at the Princeton Garden Theatre; a book signing and reception will follow.
http://arts.princeton.edu/events/john-sacret-young-pieces-glass-artoir/

Conversations about Peace Lecture Series: The case for Palestinian empowerment, especially under occupation, Nov. 16
Salam Fayyad, former prime minister (2007-2013) and minister of finance of the Palestinian Authority (2002-2007), will give a public talk at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, in Robertson Hall.
07. SPORTS UPDATES

Tiger Athletics Give Day challenge is Nov. 28
Tiger Athletics Give Day (TAGD), Princeton Athletics’ 24-hour giving challenge across all varsity Athletics Friends Groups and the Princeton Varsity Club, returns for its fourth consecutive year on Tuesday, Nov. 28. TAGD has been a great success to date, bringing together Princetonians across the globe as part of a series of fierce and spirited competitions amongst our 37 varsity teams. The funds raised on TAGD help to provide greater opportunities for over 1,000 varsity student-athletes to achieve, to serve and to lead. To learn more, visit: www.tigerathleticsgiveday.com

Fencing teams combine for five wins at Ohio State’s Elite Invite
Five wins combined went Princeton’s way in the Tigers’ season-opening meet at Ohio State’s Elite Invitational Sunday, Nov. 5, in Columbus. Both Princeton teams notched wins over Air Force while the men also had a win over NJIT and the women had wins over Cornell and Northwestern.

No. 13 women’s soccer team beats Penn 1-0, secures outright Ivy title, NCAA berth
The 13th-ranked Princeton women’s soccer team knew a win Saturday, Nov. 5, regardless of anything else that happened in the league, would give them their second Ivy League title in three years. Thanks to a 34th-minute goal by senior Vanessa Gregoire and stifling defense that held Penn without a shot until the 65th minute, Princeton did just that, claiming their ninth Ivy title in program history, in a 1-0 victory.

No. 14 men’s water polo drops No. 15 St. Francis-Brooklyn, earns No. 1 seed in NWPC Tournament
The No. 14 Princeton Tigers’ (21-5, 8-2 NWPC) defense shined in the second half, allowing just one goal in a 13-9 takedown of the No. 15 St. Francis-Brooklyn Terriers (13-11, 8-2 NWPC) Saturday, Nov. 5, at DeNunzio Pool. With the four-goal win, Princeton will now be the No. 1 seed in the Northeast Water Polo Conference (NWPC) Tournament Nov. 17-19 at Harvard University.

Women’s volleyball claims Senior Day win, heads into final weekend tied for first in Ivy League
The Princeton women’s volleyball team got everything it wanted out of its final home match of the 2017 season. The Tigers sent their four seniors — MaryClaire Bartlett, Maddie Huber, Kelly Matthews and Alex Thompson — out with one final victory inside Dillon Gym, and they made sure they remained atop the Ivy League standings with one weekend to go.
08. PRINCETON WEB CONNECT

- Princeton University - http://www.princeton.edu/
- Office of Alumni Affairs - http://alumni.princeton.edu/
- TigerNet Services - http://alumni.princeton.edu/tigernet/
- Class pages - http://alumni.princeton.edu/communities/classes/
- Graduate alumni pages - http://alumni.princeton.edu/communities/graduate/
- Giving to Princeton - http://giving.princeton.edu/
- Public events calendar - https://www.princeton.edu/events
- Visiting Princeton - https://www.princeton.edu/meet-princeton/visit-us
- Princeton Alumni Weekly - http://paw.princeton.edu/
- Princeton Social Media - http://socialmedia.princeton.edu/
- Princeton University Bulletin - https://pwb.princeton.edu/

09. ABOUT TIGER E-NEWS

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