
01. UNIVERSITY NEWS

Princeton, Microsoft presidents urge quick Congressional action to protect ‘Dreamers’
The presidents of Princeton University and Microsoft Corp. on Jan. 11 urged members of Congress to act quickly to provide long-term protection, including a path to citizenship, for “Dreamers.” In letters to top leaders and other members of Congress, Christopher L. Eisgruber ’83 and Brad Smith ’81 of Microsoft said “the time has come for immediate and urgent action” to provide permanent protection for Dreamers. The letters, 47 in all, were sent to the New Jersey and Washington state delegations, leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives, Princeton alumni in Congress and others.


Entrepreneurship in the life sciences is topic of TigerTalks in the City
Over 100 Princeton alumni, students and friends filled the seats at WeWork Chelsea in New York City recently for a conversation about entrepreneurship in the life sciences. Panelists included Shahram Hejazi, a lecturer and entrepreneurship specialist in electrical engineering and the Keller Center for Innovation in Engineering Education, who is also a partner at BioAdvance; Hahn Kim *07, who has a Ph.D. in chemistry from Princeton and is director of Princeton’s Small Molecule Screening Center and the founder of Crescента Biosciences; and Craig Limoli ’12, co-founder and CEO of WellSheet. Anne-Marie Maman ’84, executive director of the Princeton Entrepreneurship Council, moderated the discussion.


Faculty end the year with awards and grants
Aarti Gupta (computer science), Paul Muldoon (creative writing), Kaushik Sengupta (electrical engineering), Christy Wampole (French and Italian) and Judith Weisenfeld *92 (religion) are among the faculty members who recently received national and international honors.


02. ACADEMIC DIGEST

‘Jane Austen: Then and Now’
2017 marked the bicentennial of Jane Austen’s death, and a course at Princeton is commemorating the author’s life and legacy today. Co-taught by Claudia Johnson *81, the Murray Professor of English Literature, and Hope Rogers, a graduate student in English, the course encourages students to consider Austen not only as a classic, canonical inventor of the modern novel, but also as an author who is — in more ways than one — their contemporary. http://www.princeton.edu/news/2017/12/14/jane-austen-then-and-now

The ecological costs of war in Africa
After years of examining conflict in Africa’s protected areas, Princeton researchers Joshua Daskin *17 and Robert Pringle report in the journal Nature that war has been a consistent factor in the decades-long decline of Africa’s large mammals. But they also found that wildlife populations rarely collapsed to the point where recovery was impossible, meaning that even protected areas severely affected by conflict are promising candidates for conservation and rehabilitation. http://environment.princeton.edu/news/ecological-costs-war-africa

Hope for autism: Optogenetics shines light on social interactions
Assistant Professor of Psychology and the Princeton Neuroscience Institute Ilana Witten ’02’s research, identifying a neural link between spatial learning and socialization, hints at new avenues to help people with social behavior disorders that affect their prefrontal cortex. http://www.princeton.edu/news/2017/12/14/hope-autism-optogenetics-shines-light-social-interactions

New Global Seminar provides snapshots of the Indian democratic experience
This year, the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies will launch four new Global Seminars — including the Swani Family Global Seminar in India, “Indian Democracy in Motion,” with Pratap Bhanu Mehta *94, the vice-chancellor of Ashoka University, in Sonipat, India, just outside the Delhi metropolitan area. http://piirs.princeton.edu/news/new-global-seminar-provides-snapshots-indian-democratic-experience

Hydraulic fracturing negatively impacts infant health

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03. ALUMNI INTEREST

Plan a community service project for ‘Tigers in Service’
Alumni are encouraged to plan a community service event or project in January and/or February as part of the “Tigers in Service” initiative, planned in conjunction with the University’s Month of Service. Projects can be initiated by individuals, regional associations, classes, and affiliated groups and can include volunteering at a soup kitchen, homeless shelter, or charitable organization to organizing a drive at a community center. To learn more, visit: https://alumni.princeton.edu/volunteer/committees/communityservice/Tigers-in-Service-Initiative.pdf

Registration open for Alumni Day on Feb. 24
Celebrate the University’s top alumni award winners while reconnecting with friends, fellow alumni and Princeton families during Alumni Day, Saturday, Feb. 24. Charles Gibson ’65, who earned his bachelor’s degree in history, will receive the Woodrow Wilson Award. Daniel Mendelsohn *94, who earned a Ph.D. in classics, will receive the James Madison Medal. In addition to hearing from the award winners, events include an Alumni Association luncheon and awards ceremony, a moving Service of Remembrance ceremony and a festive closing reception. Other fun and interesting activities are planned throughout the day, including a workshop on navigating the college admissions process, exhibits at the Princeton University Art Museum and Firestone Library, performances in the arts, student projects and more. To register: http://alumni.princeton.edu/goinback/alumniday/2018/

Asian American Alumni Association of Princeton (A4P) invites all alumni to join in regional Lunar New Year events

Nominations being accepted for annual Alumni Council Award for Service to Princeton
Each year, the Alumni Association recognizes and honors members of the Princeton family (alumni, faculty, staff, students or friends) who have served Princeton significantly, but often inconspicuously: our true unsung heroes. The Committee on Awards for Service to Princeton invites your nominations of those who have served or are serving Princeton in a significant way. For more information about the award and nominations, due Wednesday, Feb. 28, visit: http://alumni.princeton.edu/volunteer/awards/servicetoprinceton
Escape the cold with a cruise to French Polynesia with Princeton Journeys

Enjoy the enchanting isles of Tahiti, Bora Bora and Rangiroa with study leader Gabriel Vecchi, professor in the Department of Geosciences and at the Princeton Environmental Institute, who will deliver a series of lectures about the impact of climate change on tropical atmospheres and oceans, accompanied by an expert expedition team, June 7-16, 2018. Cruise from island to island aboard the modern National Geographic Orion and enjoy an aquatic program that offers a myriad of opportunities to swim, snorkel, dive, kayak and stand-up paddleboard in turquoise coves and vibrant reefs bursting with kaleidoscopic marine life. For more information, visit: http://alumni.princeton.edu/learntravel/journeys/roster/frenchpolynesia18/index.xml

From the PAW: Our 25 most influential alumni

Who among Princeton’s living alumni are the greatest movers and shakers right now? A PAW panel debated the meaning of “influence,” then offered its list. https://paw.princeton.edu/article/our-most-influential-alumni

President’s page: A visionary campus plan to support Princeton’s mission
https://paw.princeton.edu/article/visionary-campus-plan-support-princetons-mission

04. GIFTS TO PRINCETON

Nancy Lin ’77: Why I established the Edward Y. T. and Ho-Chi Huang Lin Family Endowment for Asian-American Studies

Nancy H. Lin ’77 S76 P10 explains the importance of Asian American studies at Princeton and her inspiration for establishing a fund in honor of her parents. “Coming back to Princeton, sitting in on Professor Anne Cheng’s lectures, I wish there had been an Asian American studies program when I was here,” Lin says. “We are seeing the impact today as students write about how this is filling in missing pieces in understanding self, family and community.” http://giving.princeton.edu/impact-stories/why-i-established-lin-family-endowment-asian-american-studies

05. MULTIMEDIA FEATURES

Joe Percival, devoted to football and family


Starting from scratch: Improving collaboration with Scratchwork

‘Portraiture: The Practice of Representation’
In the fall course “Portraiture: The Practice of Representation,” undergraduates are exploring the art of the photographic portrait through historical and contemporary perspectives and working firsthand with different types of cameras and techniques to produce their own projects. http://www.princeton.edu/news/2018/01/11/portraiture-practice-representation

Probing air pollution with laser sensors
Mark Zondlo, an associate professor of civil and environmental engineering, develops tools to measure air pollution in more sophisticated and nimble ways than previously possible. His team recently acquired an all-electric vehicle to house the suite of sensors, which they can use to monitor urban air quality without altering their own measurements. http://www.princeton.edu/news/2017/12/19/probing-air-pollution-laser-sensors

06. EXHIBITS & EVENTS

Lecture: ‘Wings of a Dove: Form, History and the Gift of Black Art’

Journalist Julia Ioffe ’05 discusses Putin, Trump and journalism
Join Simon Morrison, professor of music, as he moderates a discussion about Russia, Putin, Trump and journalism with Julia Ioffe ’05 and Deborah Amos (NPR) at 4:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, in McCosh Hall, Room 10. Ioffe writes on national security, foreign policy and politics for The Atlantic, having previously written for Politico, The New Yorker and The New Republic. She appears frequently on CNN, MSNBC and PBS. http://music.princeton.edu/events/journalist-julia-ioffe-%E2%80%9805

‘Fly,’ a play about the Tuskegee Airmen, to be presented by Lewis Center for the Arts
Inspired by the story of the Tuskegee Airmen, the first African American Army Air Corps fighters who flew over the skies of Europe and North Africa during World War II, the play dramatizes the historic contributions made by the Tuskegee Airmen to the desegregation of the American military and the furthering of civil rights as they faced segregation, racism and a world war with courage, humor and humanity. Written by Trey Ellis and Ricardo Khan, “Fly” features senior Nemo Teferi and is guest directed by Whitney White. Performances are at 8 p.m Feb. 8-10 in the Matthews Acting Studio, 185 Nassau St. http://arts.princeton.edu/events/fly-by-trey-ellis-ricardo-khan/all/
Spring 2018 PEI Faculty Seminar Series begins Feb. 6
Mark your calendars for the spring 2018 Princeton Environmental Institute Faculty Seminar Series. Beginning Feb. 6, talks will be held on the first Tuesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. in Guyot Hall, Room 10. The series features senior Princeton faculty discussing their research in the context of environmental science and current events. Lunch is served at noon in the Guyot Atrium.


‘Defending Democracy: Civil and Military Responses to Weaponized Information’ conference to be held April 7
The United States must rethink defense in light of recent revelations that adversaries have been using social media and disinformation to influence our politics and jeopardize our democracy; and what can we do about the assault of “fake news” on democracy? During this one-day conference, hear experts from the military, computer science, legal and social science fields as they discuss foreign policy and military challenges. It is the Fourth Annual Veteran’s Summit, previously hosted by Yale University and the U.S. Military Academy. To register:

https://defendingdemocracyforum.princeton.edu/

07. SPORTS UPDATES

Squash teams win big against Yale and stay undefeated in the Ivy League
The seventh-ranked Princeton men’s squash team picked up its biggest win of the season over Yale on Sunday, Jan. 14. A perfect opening shift laid the foundation for an 8-1 victory over the Bulldogs to keep the Tigers perfect in the Ivy League. Princeton improved to 7-1 with the win and 2-0 in the Ivy League. That afternoon, the Princeton women’s squash team completed one of its best weeks of competition this decade with an 8-1 victory over a strong Yale squad that was coming off an upset of Penn. The Tigers enter the finals break with a 9-0 record, including a 2-0 mark in the Ivy League.


Men’s ice hockey sweeps Dartmouth; Women’s ice hockey gets a shutout against Yale
The Princeton men’s ice hockey team handed Dartmouth a 6-3 loss Saturday, Jan. 13, in Hanover. For the season the Tigers outscored the Big Green 15-5, after a 9-2 victory at Hobey Baker Rink in November. At home, the Princeton women skated to a 3-0 win over Yale on Saturday, Jan. 13. Sophomore Carly Bullock scored twice, junior Karlie Lund net her 100th career point and sophomore Steph Neatby had the shutout.

Men’s basketball hits finals break with 91-54 win over Cornell; Women’s strong second half start pushes them past Cornell, 75-54
The first 19 points of the game went to Princeton men’s basketball and the tenor never really changed as Saturday night rolled on Jadwin Gym. The Tigers had a double-digit victory 91-54 over Cornell as Princeton got out to a 19-0 lead and led 53-19 at the half. Behind a 17-0 run to open the second half, the Princeton women ran by the Cornell Big Red 75-54 on Saturday. For the second straight game, the Tigers had four players in double figures with senior Leslie Robinson’s 16 points leading the way.


Four straight pins sends men’s wrestling past F&M in EIWA return; D’Angelo adds another ranked win at Rider
Four straight falls by members of four different classes led the Princeton wrestling team to an impressive 37-9 victory over EIWA rival Franklin & Marshall in the Tigers’ first home match of 2018 on Saturday, Jan. 13. It completed a doubleheader day for the Tigers, who challenged 21st-ranked Rider in a tight 21-12 loss. Junior co-captain Mike D’Angelo had Princeton’s biggest win of the day, a 9-3 decision over former All-American BJ Clagon.


Women’s swimming and diving runs win streak to six, breaks four pool records in victory at Villanova
Individual fly pool records for juniors Joanna Curry and Isabel Reis, as well as a pair of relay records, highlighted an impressive opening to 2018 for the Princeton women’s swimming and diving team, which improved its win streak to six Friday, Jan. 12, with a 172.5-127.5 victory over Villanova at the Pavilion Pool in Philadelphia.

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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