UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS MONTANA CAMPUS REPORT

November 2018

UM publically launched the most ambitious fundraising campaign in its history.

UM's Alexander Blewett III <u>School of Law</u> ranks 11th in the nation for best value.

The National Institutes of Health awarded a **\$10 million contract** to UM to develop a universal flu vaccine.

UM museum unveiled renowned artworks from Copper King collection.

UM ranked tops in Montana according to 2019 World University Rankings.

UM's online Master of Public Health program earned multiple national rankings.

UM graduate and You Tube celebrity <u>Hank Green</u> visited campus to discuss his recently published "An Absolutely Remarkable Thing," which became an immediate No. 1 New York Times Bestseller.

UM's Master of Public administration Program is nationally recognized.

The Big Sky Poll asks Montanans to rate the **job performance** of elected officials.

The Max S. Baucus Institute held its **inaugural speaker lecture** with national commentators Maureen Dowd and Carl Huse.

<u>Author Cheryl Strayed</u> – whose hiking memoir "Wild" became a No. 1 New York Times bestseller and an Oscar-nominated movie – spoke and met with students at UM on Oct. 15.

UM earns a **\$1.2 million grant** to fund the Clean Air and Healthy Homes Program, providing educational opportunities for more than 5,000 students in Montana, Idaho and Alaska.

UM researchers published their new insights into <u>how pathogenic bacteria resist antibiotic</u> <u>treatment</u> in Proceedings of the Natural Academy of Sciences.

Montana Attorney General Tim Fox will speak at first-ever UM Fall Commencement.

UM released plan that <u>details instructional staffing budget targets</u> for academic units over the coming three years, while affirming the institution's commitment to academic excellence.

A UM scientist earns a **<u>\$1.45 million grant</u>** to study interactions between climate, water availability and the land-use decisions made by small farmers.

Graduate <u>Lisa Parks</u> won the MacAarthur Genius Fellowship and visited campus to meet with faculty and students on Nov. 7.

UM chemist and students engage in groundbreaking wildfire emission study.