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UM's new Montana Museum of Art and Culture building opened to the public.

The University's enrollment rose with the largest annual growth rate in 14 years.

UM was named the nation's No. 1 school for service for the second year in a row.

<u>UM alumna Lily Gladstone</u> stars in the movie "Killers of the Flower Moon," which opened Oct. 20.

University researchers are prepping fentanyl and heroin vaccines for human trials.

UM was named a Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense.

Business students are drawn to the University's <u>high-earning management information</u> systems (MIS) degree.

Missoula was named a No. 1 "most fun" college town for young people.

UM student Stephanie Barron was **awarded a prestigious Solve grant** from MIT to help reduce carnivore conflicts on the Flathead Indian Reservation.

Liz Cheney spoke on campus as part of the 40th annual Mansfield Dialogues at UM.

A well-named UM course promotes information literacy by cutting the B.S.

Bob Yokelson, an accomplished UM researcher who studies biomass burning, recently was **named a Fellow of the American Geophysical Union**.

<u>Montana Poet Laureate Chris La Tray</u>, a Métis storyteller and member of the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians, is helping UM student writers become better storytellers.

UM reopened historic Knowles Hall after a successful renovation.

UM's big move into the new museum building involved spreadsheets and many volunteers.

Three UM students spent their winter break helping patients in India.

A marketing student enjoyed an internship with UM's Flathead Lake Biological Station.

Several Montana police officers went from cops to courts by earning UM law degrees.

UM recently was awarded a \$2.4 million federal grant to <u>recruit and support Indigenous</u> <u>pharmacy students</u>.