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The [Payne Family Impact Scholarship](#) helps Montana students pay for their education, and UM announced a \$7.5 million expansion of the program in July.

[A drug developed at UM](#) has moved to human cancer trials.

The University has broken ground on its [first new residence hall in three decades](#). The new facility will offer 600 beds when it opens in 2027.

UM's unique [Wilderness Pack Trip Course](#) combines mules with wilderness for a learning experience that is quintessential Montana.

The University has an online beekeeping certificate that is [training master beekeepers worldwide](#).

UM's [new criminology bachelor's degree](#) is in high demand.

The University celebrated the fifth year of its [Big Sky Experience for new students](#).

UM announced a [new \\$5 million endowment](#) to create the Siebel-Lewis Endowed Chair in Fisheries Science for the Wildlife Biology Program.

The University recently secured a \$1.8 million federal grant to [bolster the health care workforce in rural Montana](#). UM's family medicine residency program also was awarded \$750,000 to [expand its training sites family physicians across the state](#).

UM professors and the UM-based Climate Office warned of [record-low flows for the Blackfoot River](#) in early August.

UM researcher Mike DeGrandpre, a former winner of the prestigious XPRIZE, recently was awarded a \$936,000 [grant to further his sensor work studying ocean acidification](#).

The Mansfield Library has digitized a collection of some of the [earliest aerial photos of western Montana](#) and made them available to the public.

A research team led by Erin Landguth has earned a \$3 million grant to study links between climate change and a [disease wiping out bats across North America](#).

The UM FireCenter has blazed a new trail with a [course about living with fire](#).

UM law school graduate Bryan Dupuis Sr. has risen above adversity to [land a tribal judgeship with the Blackfoot Tribe](#).

UM chemist Orion Berryman's lab earned \$575,000 to study [shaping artificial molecules](#).