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MSU <u>enrolled a record</u> 17,165 students in the fall and set records for graduation rates and student retention.

MSU celebrated the <u>grand opening</u> of its new nursing education facility in Great Falls on October 6, the first of five buildings funded by Mark and Robyn Jones' historic \$101 million investment in MSU nursing.

Agriculture and national security sciences led MSU's <u>annual research expenditures</u>, which hit a record \$288.7 million.

MSU's cybersecurity lab <u>won a \$7.1 million contract</u> from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to research software vulnerabilities and cyberattacks.

MSU <u>opened</u> the Quantum Collaborative Research and Education facility, or QCORE, at the MSU Innovation Campus. QCORE will tackle challenges in quantum systems, an emerging frontier in computing.

A <u>groundbreaking</u> was held for the Vim, a privately owned and operated hotel on campus that will provide crucial real-world experience for MSU hospitality and culinary students.

Standard and Poor's Global <u>assigned</u> MSU an AA- credit rating, signifying the firm's confidence in MSU's continued financial stability.

MSU's <u>Caring for Indigenous Montanans</u> program celebrated a milestone of reaching more than 1,500 health care workers with training on culturally relevant care for tribal communities.

Ethan McKeever, a doctoral student in MSU's Department of Physics, <u>received a prestigious</u> <u>research grant</u> to study gravitational waves through Future Investigators in NASA Earth and Space Science.

MSU's <u>NSF Accelerating Research Translation program</u>, now in its second year, creates a bridge between researchers and the public to implement technology that detects algal blooms in waterways and treats genetic diseases.

<u>OneMSU</u> provides accessible, two-year degrees in fields ranging from surgical technology to dental hygiene through a partnership between MSU's two-year colleges.

MSU held its inaugural <u>Core Facilities Day</u> on October 3 to highlight a dozen state-of-the-art, centralized facilities on campus that provide research infrastructure to advanced instrumentation and expert staff.