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The University of Montana and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation recently launched the **Center for Hunting and Conservation**.

The University created a <u>new major in entertainment</u>, <u>events and sports management</u>.

UM's Indigenous First-Year Experience program has helped <u>increase Native American</u> retention by nearly 20%.

Continuing its commitment to service, UM was named one of the <u>Peace Corps' 2025 Top Volunteer-Producing Colleges</u> for medium-sized colleges.

UM welcomed new students with Move-In Day on Aug. 18.

The UM Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training program <u>earned a \$2.4 million</u> <u>grant</u> to continue training students for careers in behavioral health care.

UM marketing intern Grace Porges spent her summer at the lake <u>promoting the Flathead</u> <u>Lake Biological Station</u>. It's not a bad way to earn a paycheck while building a resume.

UM's education college recently welcomed its <u>first class of Phyllis J. Washington Scholars</u> as part of a program to support the next generation of educators and school counselors.

The Alumni Association selected it's top UM alumni under age 25.

The University's <u>new Montana Clinical and Translational Research Center</u> convened its first meeting of local health care leaders this summer.

Rachel Malison, a researcher with UM's Flathead Lake Biological Station, recently earned the **prestigious Award in Field Biology** from the Haxwell/Hanrahan Foundation.

Nari Lee, a Korean graduate student in UM Environmental Studies, has <u>championed</u> <u>biodiversity</u> and <u>gender equity</u> in the sciences.

A UM law clinic is working to preserve the legal history of Montana's tribal nations.

UM allows students to earn credit by riding the rapids in its whitewater kayaking class.

The University once again offered a free shuttle for floaters hitting the river in Missoula.

UM philosophy Professor Christopher Preston has become prominent in the national media for commenting on <u>disruptive technologies like resurrecting extinct species</u>.

A UM Cadaver Lab project finds ways to extend learning long after death.