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NIJ grant will help fund research project in chemistry, forensic science

Western Carolina University Chemistry and Physics Department head David Evanoff and forensic research scientist Brittania Bintz are hoping a $346,740 grant from the National Institute of Justice will help produce a faster and less expensive method of confirming the presence of human bodily fluids on samples, which would be useful to the forensic science community when testing rape kits and other sexual assault evidence. … **(CONTINUE READING)**

Trio's research into online courses, cheating to be published in national journal

Two Western Carolina University faculty members and a graduate student recently conducted research into cheating in online courses, using a bit of deception themselves to see how effective those impostors hiding in the digital shadows actually are. ... **(CONTINUE READING)**

Feb. 29 forum to focus on upcoming bond vote

Western Carolina University Chancellor David Belcher will host an educational forum on Monday, Feb. 29, to address the regional importance of the Connect NC bond proposal. … **(CONTINUE READING)**

Campus conversation series resumes Feb. 29-March 3

A series of campus conversations centered on four topics identified by Western Carolina University Chancellor David O. Belcher as areas of emphasis for the 2015-16 academic year will continue over a four-day period, Feb. 29-March 3. … **(CONTINUE READING)**

Chancellor to undergo UNC system performance review process

It may seem like only yesterday that David O. Belcher, then the provost at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, was elected chancellor of Western Carolina University by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors. ... **(CONTINUE READING)**

College of Business gets prestigious reaccreditation from international association

Western Carolina University's College of Business has been fully accredited — again — by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, which is widely regarded as the international benchmark for business school quality. ... **(CONTINUE READING)**

NOTEWORTHY NEWS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/news

Winter edition of university magazine available online – go to magazine.wcu.edu
Martin to address cognitive mapping during March 2 presentation
Preservation award presented to digital collections at WCU's Hunter Library
Fine Art Museum hosts exhibit by acclaimed Cherokee artist Wilnoty
Ward to lead discussion after free film showing

ACHIEVEMENTS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/achievements

Lilly to reunite with stars of her television series
Reich to serve on journal's review board
Carter to be featured at 'Coffee with the Poet'

HEADLINES FROM WCU NEWS SERVICES | news-prod.wcu.edu

Preservation award presented to digital collections at WCU's Hunter Library
WCU's Patricia Bricker wins statewide service-learning award
WCU announces new graduates, dean's/chancellor's list for fall semester
WCU's College of Business gets prestigious reaccreditation from international association
'Parents Night Out' comes to WCU's Bardo Arts Center March 5
As Zika virus spreads, WCU mosquito expert advises state
WCU School of Stage and Screen presenting drama 'Macbeth is the New Black'
WCU Fine Art Museum exhibit examines use of color in art

EVENTS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/events

Catamount Career and Networking Day to be March 10
Third Open House is Sat., Feb. 20
Catamount Family Weekend to be Feb. 19-21

CALENDAR | events.wcu.edu

2/17/2016	Karaoke Night
2/17/2016	Macbeth is the New Black
2/18/2016	Visiting Artist Lecture by Tami Faulkner
2/18/2016	Kyree Harris EP Release Party
2/18/2016	Lillian Buss Pearson, piano

HIGHER EDUCATION NEWSWATCH | news-prod.wcu.edu/higher-education-newswatch

Our mysterious mountain geography | Greensboro News & Record – opinion piece about politics, mountain geography and the proximity of WCU and App State

Personality contest overwhelms issues in GOP primary | Greenville News – about GOP presidential race includes comment from WCU's Chris Cooper

Ginny Renkiewicz and Sara Houston foster student EMS research in North Carolina | Journal of Emergency Medical Services – about project involving students from WCU and NC State

Nurturing the workforce: City program helps local students target college, careers | Mountain Xpress – about City of Asheville Youth Leadership Academy program that involves WCU students

UNC president to visit WCU March 10-11 | The Sylva Herald – reporting on upcoming visit of incoming UNC president (entire story not available online without subscription)

Blue-ribbon committee seeks balance in push-and-pull over Koch-funded center at WCU | Smoky Mountain News – coverage of the implementation advisory board for the Center for the Study of Free Enterprise

Fired WCU worker will return to work | Smoky Mountain News – about fired facilities worker being reinstated

Are Pets Really Good for Us? | Pacific Standard – about pet ownership includes comment from WCU's Hal Herzog

Campus Leaders Weigh In on Higher Ed's Top 10 IT Issues | Ed Tech Magazine – about top 10 IT issues in higher ed includes comment from WCU's Craig Fowler

Bond referendum | WFSC Radio (Franklin) – about upcoming bond referendum and proposed science building

TDA's tourism conference rescheduled for later this month | WHKP Radio (Hendersonville) – about rescheduled tourism conference, with Steve Morse as keynote speaker

WCU should stay away from Koch money, influence | Smoky Mountain News – op-ed about the Koch Foundation

Atlas' big smug shrug | Smoky Mountain News – op-ed about the Koch Foundation

ATHLETICS | catamountsports.com

Baseball. Reece Strong Chosen as 2016 Leggett No. 7 Legacy Recipient

Baseball. Cat Scratch - Official Alumni Newsletter of Catamount Baseball

M. Basketball. Catamounts Drop Road Contest with ETSU, 83-77

Softball. Harkey's Grand-Slam Helps Lift Softball to 9-1 Win over Cougars

M. Basketball. Catamounts Renew Mountain Rivalry with ETSU

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