

SCS TODAY | September 23, 2020

[A late-day M-W-F update from the SCS Dean's Office]

Today I want to amplify [President Jahanian's recent email](#) regarding the importance of civic engagement during this election season and encourage you to make a plan to exercise your right to vote. Visit the Student Leadership, Involvement and Civic Engagement ([SLICE](#)) website for deadlines, information on how to vote and links to voting resources. In SCS, I ask department heads, faculty and supervisors to be flexible and work with your students, TAs, researchers, RAs and staff regarding class and work schedules on Election Day (November 3) to allow everyone time (outside of Workday) for voting and [volunteering at the polls](#).

SCS NEWS

— [MoonRanger, a small robotic rover being developed by CMU](#) and Pittsburgh-based space robotics company [Astrobotic](#), has completed its preliminary design review in preparation for a 2022 mission to search for signs of water at the moon's south pole.

FOR FACULTY

— Now **calling for applications**, a new [Innovative Models for Undergraduate Research \(IMUR\) Faculty Fellows Program](#) will award \$4,000 stipends for Fall 2020 through Fall 2021 to collaborate with the Eberly Center and Undergraduate Research Office to develop, implement, and refine innovative approaches promoting diversity, equity and inclusion through undergraduate research. All disciplines are welcome, especially those not traditionally associated with undergraduate research. Proposals are due Monday, October 5.

INTERSECT@CMU

— [INTERSECT@CMU COVID-19: Learning Into Action](#) continues its exploration of the impact of COVID-19 on the future of business, technology and humanity and considers the pandemic's long-term global effects on health, sustainability, the economy and education. [Register today for sessions to be held September 25 & October 2](#).

REGISTER BEFORE FRIDAY

— CMU's [Graduate Student Assembly](#) (GSA) is committed to engaging with issues surrounding Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) and invites you to join the conversation around building an anti-racist community with the CMU Community Book Club. The first book this year will be "[Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents](#)" by Isabel Wilkerson. If you're interested in joining these community conversations, [complete this form by Friday](#). Groups will be formed by the first week of October.

Until Friday,
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All of us share [A Tartan's Responsibility](#) and as members of the CMU community we must do our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19. If you plan to come to campus, you must complete the [CMU Self-Assessment Survey](#). Even if you're not coming to campus, CMU Community Health & Well-Being strongly encourages daily completion of the survey.

REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES

CMU Coronavirus [Updates & Information](#) and [FAQ](#) | CMU [Health Services](#), 412-268-2157
[SCS Alerts & Resources](#) | [For Students](#) | [For Staff](#) | [For Faculty](#) | [For Researchers](#)
Connect with a [Dean's Advisory Committee](#) if you have questions or concerns you want to share.