



# College of Arts & Sciences

## MONTHLY REPORT | January 2020

### FACULTY:

Research by Carrie Cutler, psychology, assessing headache and migraine relief is the [first to use big data](#) from patients using cannabis in real time. The WSU News story about her paper in the *Journal of Pain* was picked up by United Press International and received good media coverage.

Two faculty members and six graduate students from the Department of Anthropology presented eight research projects from four continents at the joint American & Canadian Anthropological Association annual meeting in Vancouver, BC.

The BBC World Service invited Travis Ridout, political science professor and political media expert, to the UK [to investigate](#) how social media and other digital campaign tactics were being used in advance of elections to influence or manipulate British voters. He hosted a 30-minute BBC program aired on Dec. 7 and now [available online](#).

### OUTREACH:

Students and staff technicians in the Fine Arts' [Digital Maker Space](#) designed and built an [interactive gear-themed wall installation](#) at Palouse Science Discovery Center in Pullman.

Peter Chilson, English, shared his research and writings about Amandou Koufa, a jihadist leader in Mali, during the [Pizza and Politics lunchtime series](#) sponsored by the Foley Institute.

Sue Peabody, history, [co-curated an exhibit](#) at the Musée historique de Villèle on Réunion island dedicated to the subject of her multi-prize-winning book, *Madeleine's Children: Family, Freedom, Secrets and Lies in France's Indian Ocean Colonies*.

### STUDENTS:

Troy Gingerich, an accomplished senior in history and the only NCAA athlete at WSU who is also in the ROTC program, was [featured in a story](#) by the Cougar Athletic Fund.

The 240-member Cougar Marching Band performed three different halftime shows three weeks in a row in November, including the Dad's Weekend show [highlighting the 100th anniversary of the WSU Fight Song](#) and premiering four new arrangements of the Fight Song created by School of Music faculty.

First-generation student Hilary Zuniga was selected to [carry the CAS gonfalon](#) at Fall Commencement. She graduated with dual degrees in philosophy and environmental science, is a member of the Honors College, and completed multiple research projects.

### DEVELOPMENT:

CAS alumni and friends attending the third annual "Enchanted Evening" holiday dinner at the Davenport Hotel in Spokane enjoyed dinner in the beautiful Marie Antionette Ballroom, entertainment by the School of Music's Madrigal Singers ensemble, a mini-exhibition by students from the Department of Fine Arts, and a few words of inspiration from special guest President Kirk Schulz.

Commitments have been received to complete the WSU Alumni Association's \$10,000 challenge gift to the Cougar Marching Band.

Received a \$30,000 gift to support the Math Learning Center.