



Alumni News



Support fellow Red Hawks, pay tribute to President Cole

To create opportunities for future Red Hawks, and to recognize President Susan A. Cole's leadership in transforming Montclair State, this year's Annual Scholarship Fundraiser is a cause for celebration. Taking place Saturday, May 22, the event will honor four outstanding alumni who have carried their Montclair State education forward to achieve greatness in their professions and in their communities, as well as recognize President Cole, who has announced her retirement for the end of this academic year after 23 years of distinguished service. [\[Read more\]](#)



Celebrating EOF Awareness Month at Montclair State

As a way to share the countless success stories of students who because of the Educational Opportunity Fund were able to attend college, April 9 has been designated EOF Awareness Day in the State of New Jersey. Montclair State is taking the awareness up a level and celebrating all of April as EOF Awareness Month. One initiative to help grow the network and create connections is the launch the EOF Alumni and Community Advisory Board. The advisory board was formed to engage alumni and support initiatives of the EOF program that will benefit current and future EOF scholars and alumni. [\[Read more\]](#)

University News

Featured Event

April 21

[Book Launch/Talk: Tiffany "The Budgetnista" Aliche America's favorite financial educator and author of *Get Good with Money*](#)

Digital Events

April 21

[Fulbright Forum at Montclair State University](#)

April 21

[Montclair Earth Week 2021 - Sustainable Food System](#)

April 21

[Webinar: Social Research and Analysis \(MA\) and Data Collection & Management \(Certificate\)](#)

April 21

[Creating Spaces 2021: Conference for Aspiring Difference Makers](#)

April 21

[Montclair State University's Spring 2021 Career Fair](#)

April 21

[Ins & Outs of LinkedIn](#)

April 22

[Philosophy for Lunch - "Philosophy and Science: Is Science Objective and Impartial?"](#)

April 22

[Italian America in the World of Jazz](#)

April 22

[Montclair Earth Week 2021 - Sustainable Business Practices](#)

To find out more about online events and resources, visit our [website](#).

Career Corner



By Adam Mayer, MA, GCDF, CPRW, Director of Career Development
[The Center for Career Services](#)

Defined as your *willingness and ability to quickly adapt to change*, agility in the workplace is an asset in any economy. Its worth today, however, is priceless considering the lightspeed evolution of work over this past year. Whether mental or physical labor, by 2024 it's expected 50% of structured, repeatable tasks will



Italian Consulate Honors Teresa Fiore

Professor of Italian Teresa Fiore, Inserra Chair in Italian and Italian American Studies, was recently awarded the Italian national honor of “Cavaliere dell’Ordine della Stella d’Italia” (Knight of the Order of the Star of Italy) by the Italian Consulate. The president of the Italian Republic grants the distinction “to Italians abroad or foreigners who have acquired special merit in the promotion of friendly relations and cooperation between Italy and other countries.” Fiore was honored during a special ceremony on February 24, 2021, at the Italian Consulate in New York. [\[View full story\]](#)



Graduate Programs Ranked Among Nation’s Best By U.S. News

Three Montclair State University graduate programs have been ranked among the best in the country in the *U.S. News & World Report 2022 Best Graduate Schools* rankings, in results released March 30, 2021. *U.S. News* published new rankings for education, business and public health programs as part of its 2022 rankings. Montclair State’s doctoral and master’s offerings in education ranked second among New Jersey institutions and No. 103 in the nation. The University’s master’s in Public Health also placed second among New Jersey institutions, and moved up 14 spots to No. 135 in the country. [\[Read more\]](#)

More University News...

- [University Partners with Edge4Vets to Support Vet Employment](#)
- [Lawmakers Visit Campus, Call for Student Loan Debt Forgiveness](#)

Giving News

be [automated](#). While this isn’t much of a surprise, how do we remain agile in the face of all this change? [Episode 36 of MSUs Career Services podcast](#) highlights the [8 characteristics that make you more agile at work](#).

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Create your profile to start making connections today!

Sign on today to:

-Expand your network and connect with fellow graduates

-Access Hire a Red Hawk with the click of a button!

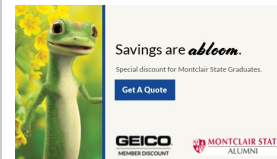
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Fulbright Alumni Opportunities

Learn how you can receive a grant to conduct research, study in a graduate program or teach English abroad after graduation through the [Fulbright U.S. Student Program](#). Alumni from ALL majors



Giving Day 2021 - April 29

Last year, the Montclair State community came together and raised over \$83,000 to support students in need. Times were tough, but our Red Hawks were tougher! Our work isn't over. On April 29, the Montclair State community will come together to support Montclair State students for our sixth annual Giving Day! Now that we've seen what you can do, we're gearing up for this year. If you are able, we need you! Every gift, from every donor, counts. [\[Learn More\]](#)

Athletics News



Football Claims Four Major Awards, Places 16 on All-NJAC Team

The Montclair State football team captured four special awards and placed 16 players on the NJAC North Division All-Conference Team announced recently. The Red Hawks posted a 2-1 mark in its abbreviated conference schedule this spring and earned its first conference title since 2014 and the 21st in program history. [\[Read more\]](#)



Women's Soccer Wins NJAC Championship on Onyewuenyi Goal, 1-0

Sophomore midfielder Chison Onyewuenyi picked the best possible time to record her first goal of the season. "ChiChi", as she is known to her teammates blasted a shot from 30 yards out in the 71st minute lifting second-seeded Montclair State to the NJAC Championship with a 1-0 victory over No. 1 seed Rutgers-Camden. Onyewuenyi's goal capped off an unbeaten season for the Red Hawks (5-0-2), who claimed their fourth overall conference title and first since the 2014 campaign. It was also the first time Montclair won its championship in regulation with the previous three – 2004, 2012 and 2014 all being decided by penalty kicks. [\[Read more\]](#)

Alumni Spotlights

and programs (bachelor and master) are welcome to apply. In the past few years, five Montclair state graduates have received Fulbright grants.

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Wilson's Family Saved \$2,998 in Vet Bills!

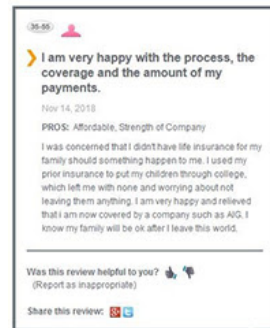


Wilson needed emergency surgery after ingesting a tennis ball. Luckily Wilson's parents had Healthy Paws pet insurance, which covered 90% of Wilson's vet bills.

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Keesha Chavis '97, '03 MA

Keesha Chavis '97, '03 MA knows just how hard it is to be a teen mom and pursue an education. She also knows what a difference outside help can make. During her senior year at Arts High School in Newark in 1991, Keesha gave birth to her eldest daughter, and it would have been easy to lose sight of her college dream. But because she was still determined to get an education, her mother and sister stepped up to make it possible. [\[View full story\]](#)



Reynaldo Acevedo '95

Reynaldo Acevedo '95 is assistant principal at Passaic High School and an alumnus of the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) program. Acevedo recently shared his personal story during a hearing on the state budget, at which April 9 was designated as EOF Awareness Day in the State of New Jersey. When asked how Montclair State prepared him for his career path, Acevedo notes, "In so many ways, obviously more than just academics – the overall experience is what really prepared me." [\[View full story\]](#)

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