



# MONTANA TECH WEEKLY UPDATE

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**2/25:** Pilates w/Katie Hailer (12:00 pm, HPER 140)

**2/27:** Weights w/Blaine Berrington (12:00 pm, HPER 140)

**3/2-4:** Frontier Conference Basketball Tournament (Great Falls)

**03/04:** Pilates w/Katie Hailer (12:00 pm, HPER 140)

**03/06:** Weights w/Blaine Berrington (12:00 pm, HPER 140)

**3/07:** Tech Day

**3/11:** Pilates w/Katie Hailer (12:00 pm, HPER 140)

**3/13:** Weights w/Blaine Berrington (12:00 pm, HPER 140)

**3/13-15:** Board of Regents (Helena)



## LEGISLATIVE WEEK IN REVIEW: WEEK 7

Legislative Week in Review from the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education.



**PHASE 3B OF THE CAMPUS HEATING SYSTEM UPGRADE TO BEGIN MARCH 2025**

Starting around March 17, 2025, Montana Tech will begin Phase 3B of its campus heating system upgrade, installing a tunnel system, new steam supply piping, and condensate return piping. This phase will require closing the road between the Steam Plant and the Facilities building, as well as the north side of the Mill Building, the raised mulch landscape area in the courtyard, and the area between the Mill Building's outside staircase to pedestrian traffic. A temporary fence will be erected around the work area on approximately March 17, with demolition and excavation beginning shortly thereafter. An ADA-accessible pedestrian path will be created through the construction zone to provide access to the Mill Building. This path, initially accessible from the west end near the Health Science Building, may be relocated as the project progresses.

Throughout this phase, pedestrian access to buildings on the upper quad will be limited. Access to the CBB, Museum, Main Hall, and Engineering Hall should be via their east and south-facing front entrances on Montrose Street.

The paved areas between Main Hall and the Mill Building, Main and Engineering Hall, and the road between the Mill and Facilities buildings will be closed to both pedestrian and vehicle traffic. This work will also impact vehicle access to the Mineral Museum and the west side of the Facilities building.

During this period, faculty, staff, students, and visitors accessing these buildings are encouraged to park in the tiers. The Mineral Museum visitor parking spots below the Facilities Building will be unavailable. However, the handicap accessible parking spaces outside the Museum Building will remain available for Mineral Museum visitors.

As new information becomes available or changes are being made, the Facilities website here will be updated and information will be posted in the Weekly Update.



## UPCOMING CAREER WORKSHOPS

Career Services is working with employers to help find students jobs and want to give you the tools be successful. Go to [DiggerRecruiting-DR 2.0](#) and register for any of the following upcoming events.

**2/27:** State of Montana Internship Awareness Event, 11:00 am-2:00 pm, Copper Lounge, recommended majors: All



## REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR SPRING TECH DAY

Montana Tech will be hosting our Spring Tech Day on **Friday, March 7** from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Tech Day is a one-of-a-kind college visit experience where prospective students can participate in hands-on activities across multiple programs. Registration for Tech Day is open for prospective students at [iam.mtech.edu/techdaydigital/inquiryform](http://iam.mtech.edu/techdaydigital/inquiryform) until March 3rd.



## ABOVE AND BEYOND AWARD

Staff Senate announces the call for nominations for the **2025 Above and Beyond Award**. The Above and Beyond Award recognizes an individual staff member who consistently goes above and beyond to serve individuals and the campus community, making exceptional efforts toward achieving the mission of Montana Tech.

See [https://www.mtech.edu/app/staff\\_senate/beyond.html](https://www.mtech.edu/app/staff_senate/beyond.html) or the Staff Senate webpage for guidelines and the nominations form. Nominations are due **Friday, March 7, 2025**.



## SERVICES FOR LAUREN HUDSON

Services for Lauren Hudson will take place on **Saturday, March 15** at St. Ann's Church. Visitation will begin at 11:00 am with mass to follow at 12:00 pm. A luncheon will then be held at the McQueen Athletic Club located at 3250 Hecla.



## SAVE THE DATE: RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) will hold a Research Symposium at the Helena MDT Headquarters on **May 20, 2025**, from 8:30 to 4:00 MT. This will be an in-person only event and no virtual options will be provided.

If you attended the May 2024 TRB State visit held in Helena and virtually, this event aims to build off the momentum and interest from that event. We had

great discussions centered around transportation research and many in attendance expressed interest in participating in another networking event.

Researchers: The format MDT is building towards would be a morning showcasing examples of research work that could relate to the work MDT does. After a lunch break, the day would transition to a networking event designed to bring out MDT research needs and researcher topic interests. MDT plans to request abstracts from interested researchers for MDT to select for the morning presentations.

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**The agenda will be designed to foster networking and collaboration. We will update as more details are established by MDT.**

