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Great Falls College MSU was [designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education](#) by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security. This designation reflects the quality of existing computer programs at the college as well as the two new cybersecurity programs beginning this fall.

Through a grant awarded by the Truth Initiative®, Great Falls College MSU has adopted a new college policy and became a 100 percent [Tobacco Free Campus](#).

Students, Faculty and Staff participated in Mission Over Malmstrom Open House at Malmstrom Air Force Base on July 13 and 14 in their STEM Expo area. The college showcased many programs through hands-on demonstrations including the virtual welder, nursing manikins, cybersecurity, and industrial technology programming demonstration. This partnership allowed us to promote the college to the military community and inform them of the flexibility in scheduling, affordability and portability of most of our programs.

Two [new Cybersecurity programs](#) are beginning this fall at GFC MSU. One is an A.A.S. and the second is a C.T.S. These courses and degrees are being added to prepare graduates with a skill set for their future careers in protecting business and community online assets. These course are being taught by local cybersecurity professionals from the Great Falls area.

Great Falls College MSU is working to build a healthier campus through the [Healthy Colleges Montana](#) grant by providing healthy snacks, mini workshops and a new outdoor area for students, faculty and staff. Campaign members collaborated with the Welding Department to create outdoor picnic tables for the area.

Julius Scott, ASGFCMSU President, has been selected as a 2019 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. This scholarship was awarded nationally to select Phi Theta Kappa members. The goal of the Leaders of Promise scholarship program is to help students obtain their associates degree.

Dr. Will and Nancy Weaver were recently named recipients of the [Sherman Fellow Award](#) by the Portage Route Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. This award is given annually to those recognized by their peers as one who deeply reflects William P. Sherman's values.

Great Falls College MSU recognized 191 students as members of the [Dean's list](#) for the spring 2019 semester.

Students, Faculty and Staff participated in the Great Falls 4th of July Parade on behalf of GFC MSU. This was a great opportunity to be in the community and bring awareness about the college and programs we offer.

[Lifelong Learning](#) will be offering a broad range of courses for the Great Falls and area communities this fall. Courses range from fly fishing, yoga, artistic plasma cutting, blacksmithing, and professional series for Leadership to non-profit management, CDL training, boiler training, CompTIA boot camps and a leadership certificate.

GFC MSU graduated 11 Physical Therapist Assistant students on July 20, 2019. Over the course of their studies, these students have learn valuable skills and are now prepared to work in a variety of healthcare settings within the community.