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UM students lead a prescribed wildfire burn at the University's Bandy Ranch.

The University offers a **coding boot camp** to learners statewide.

UM students helped create the **<u>Rural Outreach And Music (ROAM) program</u>**, which connects rural Montana schools with the power of music.

UM research finds that Rocky Mountain forests are <u>burning more now than in any point in</u> <u>the past 2,000 years</u>.

University research reveals why people gravitate toward certain campsites.

Third-year law student Brooke Reynolds is learning firsthand just how contentious water rights can be in Montana, serving this summer as an <u>intern on the Montana Water Court</u>.

The University's **happiness course** offered a bright spot during a long pandemic.

UM adds two undergraduates to its long list of Udall Scholars.

Five UM students earned Gilman Scholarships for educational adventures abroad.

The <u>law school's graduate employment rates climbs to 94%</u> despite the pandemic. UM's two largest universities share a <u>\$1.9 million grant</u> to serve children, adolescents and youth with mental and behavioral health needs.

The University's <u>John Ruffatto Business Startup Challenge</u> will be a live, in-person event again this fall.

Judge Benjamin Hursh is helping UM law students gain valuable experience.

The University named its <u>Presidential Leadership Scholarship winners</u>, as well as its <u>Provost Honors Scholars and Dean's Leadership Scholars</u>.

Research reveals ancient people had much more diverse gut microorganisms.

UM ranked <u>No. 7 nationally for assisting students with autism</u>. UM's spectrUM Discovery Area and SciNation, its advisory group on the Flathead Reservation, earned a <u>2021 Impact Innovation Award</u>.

UM's Cara Nelson is leading a <u>United Nations effort to define principles</u> to reverse degradation of global ecosystems.