George Mason University will conduct its 54th Spring Commencement virtually. The ceremony is set for 2 p.m. May 14, 2021.

All the Lot L Mini Ceremonies will be streamed on May 10, 2021:
- College of Science Mini Ceremony

Join Co-Pierre Georg, Associate Professor with the African Institute of Financial Markets and Risk Management for a discussion about his co-authored paper, "Social Learning in a Network" May 7, 2021 | 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Join Steve Meyers from University of Wisconsin for a discussion on Paleoclimatology. Email May 6, 2021 | 4:30 p.m.

Join this interdisciplinary conversation with Dr. Rhonda V. Sharpe, president of the Women's Institute for Science, Equity, and Race. May 5, 2021 | 1 to 3 p.m.

Mathematics Was My First Love; Economic Inequality Is My Passion: A Conversation with WISER Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Earn your Resilience Badge at your own pace in Blackboard. The Resilience Badge is an asynchronous program for you to work through credential in resilience. Mason students and employees can enroll in the program by logging in with their NetID and password. The Resilience Badge program of resilience into the conversation. Successful completion of the six modules results in a digital award.

At Mason Biosafety Manager). Learn more about wastewater research at your own pace in Blackboard. Each week, samples of wastewater are taken from sewers to catch potential COVID-19 outbreaks early. Researchers test Mason wastewater for the presence of COVID-19 RNA using a method called digital polymerase chain reaction (dPCR). This research is led by Assistant Professor Jennifer Salerno.

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- Recent alumna receives an award from SAIL at Mason.
- Don't forget to participate and vote in the Mason Science Faculty Election. Deadline to vote is May 5, 2021.
- Jagadish Shukla is often described as "the father of the Indian environmental movement." He has over fifty years of experience in environmental organizing and policy making, and is among the world’s foremost experts on biodiversity, coining the term in 1980. As a founder of the Nature Conservancy and an active member of the Global Biodiversity Council, he has been recognized as a world leader in conservation biology. Jagadish Shukla recently interviewed by Fernando Miralles-Wilhelm.

Join the conversation on Mason's main YouTube channel.

To conclude Earth Month and celebrate Arbor Day, Associate Professor Cindy Smith led a tree-planting event at the Potomac Environmental Research and Education Center. This event was a part of the Potomac Environmental Research and Education Center's "Making Peace with Nature" report that envisions a sustainable economy and policy. The research is led by Professor Padhu Seshaiyer and Jennifer Salerno.

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