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Hands-On Workshop: Deep Learning in MATLAB

Friday, November 20, 2020 | 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Health Disparities Multidisciplinary Research Roundtable

Friday, November 20, 2020 | 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Mason Science Series: PEREC Protecting the Potomac

Few know more about the current state of the Potomac than R. Chris Jones, Director of the Potomac Environmental Research and Education Center (PEREC). PEREC has a longstanding research commitment to restoration and local sustainability practices of the Potomac. In 2004, PEREC partnered with the National Park Service, along with other organizations and local community groups, to establish a cooperative management agreement known as the Potomac River Restoration Initiative (PRRI). This agreement established a collaborative framework for the Potomac’s river basin partners to work together towards the long-term restoration and sustainability of the Potomac River resources.

Mason’s elementary school student Pod Learning Program

As Mason works to safely expand on-campus operations, they are looking for new ways to support our faculty and staff community and increase our ability to utilize the campus. Mason is currently exploring new opportunities to involve the Potomac in the Mason community, including through Mason’s Multidisciplinary Scholars Program. The Multidisciplinary Scholars Program is a unique undergraduate program designed to provide students with the opportunity to engage in interdisciplinary research and development projects.

Liberated from their desks, the students participate in authentic research experiences at design thinking, problem solving, study abroad, and/ or summer research opportunities. As Mason expands opportunities for students to engage with the Potomac, they will be able to provide students with access to a rich and varied selection of research and development projects.

This time of year, we enter the season of harvest and gratitude. When the work we've done is starting to show results. Whether it's papers being published, grant submissions receiving funding, nurturing new collaborations with other scholars, or ongoing program partnerships, or students grasping key concepts in the classroom due to your insight into the ecological importance of mineral licks and seasonal changes in species occupancy and movements of Amazon birds and mammals to these key resources.

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The College of Science newsletter will not be published the week of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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