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## Provost Perspectives

A newsletter from the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Spring semester is well under way and many exciting things are happening across campus. Under President Taylor Randall's direction, the University of Utah has launched Impact 2030, a campus-wide strategic planning process that will help us define the body of work we'll pursue over the next five years. Impact 2030 will provide a path for the university to achieve its vision of improving the lives of all Utahns and advancing a new national higher education model for delivering societal impact. Faculty, staff, students and other stakeholders will play a critical role in the planning process. Read more about [Impact 2030](#) and how to engage online [here](#).

- Mitzi M. Montoya

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## Stegner Center launches Great Salt Lake project

The S.J. Quinney College of Law and the Wallace Stegner Center have launched a new project to provide legal analysis on the environmental challenges facing the Great Salt Lake. The Great Salt Lake Project is independent of the Great Salt Lake Strike Team, but it similarly provides expertise and advice to policymakers and stakeholders.

The GSL Project published its inaugural report that discusses legal risks relating to the lake's decline.

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## Fang Lab forges \$10M agreement with IperionX

Metallurgical Engineering professors Z. Zak Fang and Pei Sun in the U's [Department of Materials Science and Engineering](#) recently signed a research agreement with [IperionX \(IPX\)](#) for \$10M over 10 years, effective January 1. Fang and his research team will provide IPX with research and development services to produce primary metals, advanced manufacturing technologies, and recycling of rare earth metals from magnets used in wind turbines and electric vehicles.

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## New collections come to Marriott Library

New significant journals, newspapers, eBooks, and more have been purchased by the Marriott Library. From the Cambridge Journals Digital Archive dating back to 1770 to the Atlantic Magazine Archive dating back to 1857, there are several new collections that are now available to students, faculty and staff.

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## New podcast website on attheu.utah.edu

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faculty, staff and students, learn about the climate, understand men's health, and more.

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## Nominate students to Women's Leadership Institute

As part of efforts to change leaders, leadership, and leadership development in higher education, the New Leadership Academy (NLA) and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) will be sponsoring professional and graduate students from the U to become part of the 2024 Women's Leadership Institute (WLI) Rising Leader Series. The WLI in Utah is an established program focused on elevating women in the state of Utah. EDI and NLA will select and sponsor 3-5 graduate students (master's or professional schools) annually to participate in the 6-month WLI Rising Leader Series. Reach out to [newleadershipacademy@utah.edu](mailto:newleadershipacademy@utah.edu) to nominate students, or to Amy Fulton, NLA Director, at [amy.fulton@utah.edu](mailto:amy.fulton@utah.edu) with questions. Applications will be accepted until Feb. 23, but early applications by Feb. 5 will receive priority.

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## Interfaith events provide leadership training

As part of the [Interfaith Initiative](#), students, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in a series of [events](#) hosted by the division of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and Interfaith America, an organization founded by Eboo Patel, who is one of the U's Impact Scholars. On Tuesday and Thursday, several interfaith leadership trainings will be offered to explore ways to support interfaith civic pluralism and cooperation across campus. See the [calendar](#) and more information at the link below.

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