

If you have information you'd like to share with the community in our next issue, due out on January 31, please email **Kristen Freshley** at krisfres@umich.edu by Sunday, Jan. 30.

Any and all suggestions/comments regarding TeamMSE are welcome, too!

In response to the sudden dismissal of the university's president over the weekend, MSE chair Amit Misra echoes and supports the sentiments expressed yesterday by CoE Dean Alec Gallimore:



Dear Michigan Engineering community:

Like you, I learned of the allegations and subsequent actions taken by the

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Probably like you, I'm experiencing a range of reactions.

It is upsetting to learn of reported behaviors from our university president that violate our shared policies and values, especially at a time when our community is still reeling from past misconduct issues and grappling with the realities of continuing our educational, research, and service missions amidst COVID-19. It will take time for us to process what happened and to overcome the damage this has done to the institution and to individuals.

I want to affirm my commitment to work together with Provost Susan Collins, interim President Mary Sue Coleman, and other university leaders to provide continuity and service to our students, faculty, staff, community and mission. We know the University of Michigan is not the office of the President or any one person. It is all of us. Every student, faculty and staff member, collectively, are the University. I am proud to be able to work side by side with you to continue our mission and support one another.

Over the coming days, we will return to our classrooms, laboratories, exam rooms, offices, buses, and more. I recognize—and ask that you do as well—that everyone will be processing this in their own way, and may need individual patience and support.

I want to also take a brief moment to thank interim President Mary Sue Coleman for stepping in and offering her leadership during this difficult time. Please be on the lookout for a message from her later today.

Together, we will continue our work, and we'll do it with the excellence, patience, respect, and compassion that has always marked the best of Michigan.

Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.

Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering

Richard F. and Eleanor A. Towner Professor of Engineering

Arthur F. Thurnau Professor

Pizza & Pour!



Students display their U-M manganese bronze seals during MMS's Pizza and Pour event at Joyworks Friday evening. Thanks to Chip Keough for hosting! Click <u>here</u> to view more photos from the event.



Here's what you need to know in regard to the latest campus Covid news:

#### **Current mask policy extended**

Until further notice, masks will be required while indoors in common spaces of the residence halls and in recreational sports facilities. This is of course in addition to the existing face covering policy of masking while indoors and while on U-M transportation. Remember that it's imprtant to wear your mask correctly and consistently. Masks should fit snugly against your face and have multiple layers. Surgical masks, such as KN95s and N95s, offer a higher level of protection. Wearing a disposable mask underneath a cloth mask is also an acceptable way to help get a better fit.

#### Get boosted and report your info by February 4

U-M's February 4th vaccine booster reporting deadline is a week from this Friday.

Information on booster appointments and how to report is <u>here</u>. There's also a <u>chart</u> that addresses questions of when to get a booster and which shot to get.

#### Testing, testing...

Appointments for asymptomatic testing are available through our <u>Community</u> <u>Sampling and Tracking Program</u>. As a reminder, the North University Court Building has the largest capacity of the seven on-campus sites. Please note that registration to use CSTP must be completed once each semester, and before your first appointment.

#### Case counts back on Dashboard

Data regarding case counts in the residence halls for the winter term have been added back to the <u>housing portion</u> of the COVID-19 dashboard.



## Seminar speaker Jan. 21: Andrea Hodge



This **Friday**, **January 21**, Andrea M. Hodge of the University of Southern California will present "Designing Microstructures via Nano Multilayers" at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom:

umich.zoom.us/j/99711556862

Passcode: mse890

## Seminar speaker Jan. 28: Ashwin Shahani

Assistant Professor Ashwin Shahani will present "Peering

into the Solidification of Polyphase Patterns" **Friday**, **Jan. 28** at 10:30 a.m. in 1013 HH Dow or via Zoom:

umich.zoom.us/j/99711556862

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## MMS Career Fair Prep Event Jan. 20



Want to prepare your elevator pitch before the Winter Career Fair?
Come to the MMS Elevator Pitch
Workshop on **Thursday**, **Jan. 20** at 5:00 p.m.! MSE alum Jody Hall has 35 years' experience in the automotive industry and will be helping students practice their pitches in small groups via Zoom.
Both undergrad and graduate students are welcome! Please RSVP here and join the event here.

MSE Undergraduate Open House Jan. 24



MSE will host an undergraduate Open House next **Monday**, **January 24** from 5-7:00 p.m in GG Brown's Borg-Warner Galleria. Register <a href="here">here</a>. Please spread the word to anyone you know who may be interested in learning more about MSE!

MSE Mentorship Bingo Event Jan. 27



Join the MSE Mentorship group event **Thursday, Jan 27** at 5:00 p.m. for a virtual bingo night. There will be prizes of Amazon gift cards for the winners! Zoom link: <a href="https://umich.zoom.us/j/93892803014">https://umich.zoom.us/j/93892803014</a>, passcode BINGO



## Lourdes Jorgensen joins staff

Lourdes Jorgensen will be handling procurement and financial analysis for MSE as a Financial Specialist. Having most recently worked at the Ross School of Business, Lourdes brings university procurement experience and a background in business and accounting to her new role. Lourdes replaces Debbie Johnson, who retired earlier this month after 14 years with the



department.

Welcome, Lourdes!

# **CONGRATULATIONS** to our 2021 CoE Staff Incentive Award winners!



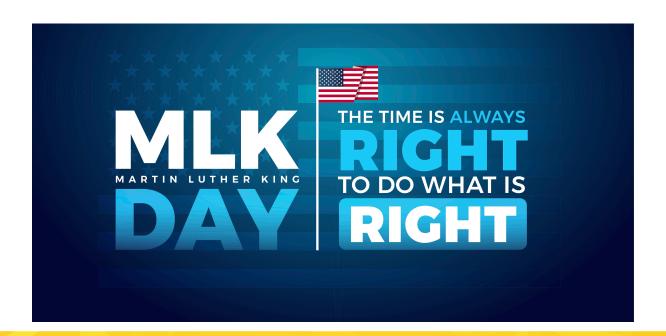
Sr. facilities manager **Keith McIntyre** and undergraduate program advisor **Patti Vogel** were among the winners of the 2021 CoE Staff Incentive Award announced recently. Congratulations, Keith and Patti!

## Job/Research Opportunities

### Applications open for two ASM scholarships



The Marion Semchyshen and James A. Mansfield Scholarships will be given to two students selected for their high scholastic achievement and their activities in the field of materials science or metallurgy. The scholarships are for students who are sophomores, juniors, and first-year seniors. Each scholarship consists of a \$1,5000 cash award and certificate, and will be presented at an ASM-Detroit Chapter meeting in March or April. Application deadline is **Sunday**, **January 31**. To apply, **click here**.









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