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News

[Coria '18 and Palmer '17 Receive 2016 Scholarly Excellence in Equity and Diversity Awards](#)

The award acknowledges diverse students doing outstanding work across the University of Minnesota.

Announcements

This Week in Photos

- [Celebration of Scholarly Accomplishments 2016](#)
- [Halloween Game Night 2016](#)
- [Pumpkin Carving](#)

Feedback Requested by Consultative Committee

The [Consultative Committee](#) invites you to submit concerns and questions that should be raised during this academic term. This campus governance committee is charged to discuss topics, concerns, and issues related to instruction, research, personnel, service functions, student affairs, and finance in the context of improving campus decisionmaking by providing a cross-campus perspective and enhancing communication. All submissions are treated confidentially. For more information, please [contact committee chair Ted Pappenfus](#).

Homecoming 2016 Recap

Did you miss Homecoming 2016? Watch this [two-minute recap](#) of the highlights, and save the date for Homecoming 2017: September 30!

Accomplishments

Work by Dabbs Published in *Nineteenth-Century Art Worldwide*

Julia Dabbs, associate professor of art history, has published her article "Empowering American Women Artists: The Travel Writings of May Alcott Nieriker" in the fall issue of [Nineteenth-Century Art Worldwide](#).

Work by Gieske '13 Earns Upper Midwest Emmy Awards

[Kristofor Gieske '13 is part of the Pioneer Public Television crew that took home two Upper Midwest Emmy Awards this year.](#) This is the first time the station has won two awards in a single year.

Office of Sustainability Hosts 100 Guests in 1 Day

Office of Sustainability interns **Katie Ledermann '17**, **Maeve Maron '18**, and **Rebecca Schrupp '17** provided a green tour for 5th graders from the Morris Elementary School on October 27. About 80 students visited the Morris biomass gasification plant, compost windrow-system, and solar thermal panels. This collaboration with Morris Elementary School teachers is part of campus-community [Morris Model](#) work to increase awareness of clean-energy systems in the region. Additionally, the **Office of Sustainability** worked with **Admissions** to provide a tour for guidance counselors in Minnesota. The counselor group visited the 1.65MW wind turbines and other green assets. In total, about 100 people visited campus on a single day.

Maron '18 and Harris Host Zero Waste and Compost Summit

Office of Sustainability intern **Maeve Maron '18**, in collaboration with Facilities Director **Lisa Harris**, hosted the 2016 Zero Waste and Compost Summit on October 27. About 20 students, staff, and community members attended the event. Discussion at the event highlighted the 300,000 pounds of organics diverted from the landfill since the program began. Summit participants also discussed the future of waste disposal in Stevens County with City of Morris Manager **Blaine Hill '87**, Stevens County Coordinator Rebecca Young, and Stevens County Environmental Services Director Bill Kleindl. The Morris Composting Program began four years ago and has grown to include all parts of campus life. This zero-waste campus-community dialogue is part of the larger [Morris Model](#) initiative.

In the News

Work by Wareham Featured in *NCURA Magazine*

An article by **Roger Wareham**, director of grants development, and Amy Bicek-Skog, senior grant administrator at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, is featured in the most recent issue of the *NCURA Magazine*, the national magazine of the National Council of University Research Administrators. “Collaborating by Design (and Necessity): New Opportunities” explores how the Twin Cities and Morris campuses worked together to enable Wareham to spend a year at the National Science Foundation.

Lindberg Talks Politics with *MinnPost*

Tim Lindberg '10, assistant professor of political science, discussed the race in Minnesota's 7th congressional district in the *MinnPost* article [“All Quiet on the Western Front: Peterson skating toward 14th term.”](#)