



January 10, 2022



PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

Montana Tech's Public Lecture Series will host Dr. Eric S. Peterson with ESP Research, Inc., on **January 12, 2022**, at 4:00 pm. His presentation is titled, "*Rare Earth Elements: Supply Chains, Separations, and Opportunities.*" Access the ZOOM-only presentation [here](#).

DRONE CERTIFICATE & RESEARCH OPEN HOUSE

You are cordially invited to a drone certificate and research open house on **January 13, 2022**, from 3:30-5:00 pm in MG 204 or via Zoom (passcode: Drones).

Learn about:

- New UAS courses and certificate programs available at Montana Tech
- What projects we have been working on with Unmanned Aerial Systems (UASs)
- How to get involved in UAS research at Montana Tech
- UASs and drone technology for research, hobbies, and/or career advancement

Hands-on demonstrations with special UAS for indoor and underground inspections! Outdoor demonstration flights, weather permitting! Please observe proper COVID protocols. The open house is hosted by the Departments of Geological, Electrical, and Environmental Engineering and the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology. Questions? Contact Prof. Mary MacLaughlin mmaclaughlin@mtech.edu.

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

You are invited to the Second Annual Pam Hogart Staff Senate Scholarship Memorial Cornhole Tournament on **January 13, 2022** at the Knights of Columbus. Registration opens at 5:00 pm, \$20 buy-in for teams of two. We hope to see you there!

FIRST FRIDAY SPEAKER SERIES

The Department of Business will host Paul Babb, Manager, Community Relations at NorthWestern Energy, for their First Friday Speaker Series. Babb's presentation will take place on campus on **January 14, 2022** at 11:00 am in the Bob and Pauline Poore Conference Room in the University Relations Center. The theme of the speaker series is The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. This week's topic will be #5, "The Importance of Interpersonal Communication." Paul Babb is a lifelong resident of Butte Montana, graduating from Butte High School and Montana Tech. He currently is the Manager of Community Relations for NorthWestern Energy, a position he has held since March of 2013. [Learn more](#)

YOGA

Take some time for yourself. Yoga relaxes the mind, increases flexibility, builds muscle, enhances sleep and improves overall well-being. You'll relax, stretch and build strength. All levels are welcomed. Feel free to arrive late or leave early.

Yoga (all levels welcome) | Mondays and Fridays at 12:00 pm | HPER Dance Studio

PILATES

Pilates will take place on Tuesdays at 12:00 pm in the HPER Dance Studio. All are welcome to attend.

WOOC LAP Training

Are you a teacher or a trainer who would like to learn how to use Wooclap to make your lessons interactive both in class and remotely? Join the Wooclap team for a one-hour training session on the tool! The training session will take place on **January 18, 2022** at 10:00 am. Feel free to share this registration link with anyone that might be interested.

SAVE THE DATE! XLI IS BACK AND COMING TO BUTTE.

The XLI 2022 Extended Learning Institute is coming to the Montana Tech campus on **April 7-8, 2022**. The conference will focus on "Teaching the whole student through intentional design," and will feature keynotes by Dr. Thomas J. Tobin and Dr. Michelle Pacansky-Brock. A pre-conference HyFlex workshop hosted by MSUB Center for Teaching & Learning will be available the morning of the 7th.

We are also sending out a Call for Proposals for this event. I know you all have done wonderful things this past year, and I hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to share with our colleagues across Montana. More information is in the attached document, but you might consider topics such as:

- Strategies for humanizing the learning process
- Culturally responsive teaching (e.g., as applicable to marginalized, low-income, first-generation, adult, GenZ, and international students)
- Fostering community in online spaces
- Universal design and accessibility
- High impact practices in online or face-to-face settings
- Strategies for increasing faculty engagement

The Institute will be available for attendance virtually or in-person, although we encourage presenters to be face-to-face. If you have any questions or difficulties accessing the information document or electronic submission form, please contact me at kmccormick@mtech.edu.

VACCINE CLINIC

Find a vaccine clinic [here](#).

4+1 PROGRAM

Do you know a student who would be interested in an accelerated master's program? Montana Tech's 4+1 program is a good option for them. Qualified Montana Tech undergraduates have the opportunity to receive an accelerated master of science degree by getting a jump start on required graduate coursework. [Learn more here](#).



UPCOMING EVENTS

1/12: Public Lecture Series: Dr. Eric S. Peterson, Rare Earth Elements: Supply Chains, Separations, and Opportunities | 4:00 pm | Zoom

1/13: Drone Certificate & Research Open House | 3:30-5:00 pm | MG 204 or Zoom (passcode: Drones)

Pam Hogart Staff Senate Scholarship Memorial Cornhole Tournament | 5:00 pm | Knights of Columbus

1/14: First Friday Speaker Series: Paul Babb, Manager Community Relations at NorthWestern Energy | 11:00 am | URC, Bob & Pauline Poore Conference Room

1/15: Women's basketball vs Montana Western | 2:00 pm | HPER
Men's basketball vs Montana Western | 4:00 pm | HPER

1/20: Women's basketball vs Rocky Mountain College | 5:00 pm | HPER
Men's basketball vs Rocky Mountain College | 7:00 pm | HPER

1/22: Women's basketball vs Carroll College | 2:00 pm | HPER
Men's basketball vs Carroll College | 4:00 pm | HPER

1/29: Women's basketball vs MSU Northern | 2:00 pm | HPER
Men's basketball vs MSU Northern | 4:00 pm | HPER

