

**Monthly Update Report**  
**College of Education**  
 February 2020-March 2020  
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**Grant Activity, February-March**

Unit	# of Proposals	Total Budget	Credit Share
College of Education - Primary			
Pullman	2	\$39,000	\$26,750
Tri-Cities	0	0	\$12,250
Vancouver	1	\$299,640	\$164,802
Other Colleges - Primary			
COE Pullman	3	\$5,276,906	\$626,363
COE Tri-Cities	0	0	0
COE Vancouver	0	0	0
Total	6	\$5,615,546	\$830,165

**Development Update**

- The COE fundraising goal for FY20 is \$1M
- Total year-to-date commitments = \$682,686
- Alumni participation rate is 8.1%, compared to 8.6% at the same time last year

**In the News**

- New results published in the Educational Administration Quarterly show Latinx educational leaders have a unique ability to understand social justice leadership, as well as support current and aspiring leaders of color who seek to promote equity in their work. This makes sense since many have lived experiences through childhoods and educational histories that are fraught with inequity. The research is being led by WSU Vancouver's **Katherine Rodela**.  
<https://news.wsu.edu/2020/04/09/new-research-brings-light-adversities-latinx-school-administrators-face/>
- A new grant is helping scientists dive deeper into the issue of how cannabis affects the brain and cognition. The research, led by assistant professor of kinesiology, **Shikha Prashad**, could help determine if the associated risks of cannabis warrant intervention strategies or changes in public health and policy surrounding cannabis use. The study is being done under the auspices of WSU's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Research Program. Funding comes from WSU's Staff Mentoring and Professional Development Pilot Program, which is supported by the Office of the President, and administered by Human Resource Services. <https://news.wsu.edu/2020/04/01/much-cannabis-actually-affect-brain/>
- Literacy professor, **Gisela Ernst-Slavit**, was selected to receive WSU's Faculty Award for Diversity. She will be honored at the university's Showcase banquet, to be held in the fall.  
<https://news.wsu.edu/2020/03/09/showcase-faculty-staff-award-winners-announced-2/>
- Four students in WSU's ground breaking ROAR program will be the first to complete the program this spring. One of seven fully inclusive post-secondary education programs in the U.S., ROAR is a two-year program for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. **Nina Buckles-Oldenburg, Evan Henniger, Lily Holston and Levi Pierce** have discovered new horizons for their own futures and impacted the University community in profound ways.  
<https://provost.wsu.edu/2020/02/24/roar-opening-new-doors-for-students/>
- The **At Home At School (AHAS) program** and AHAS Director, **Susan Finley**, hosted a teach-in on the WSU Vancouver campus. The focus was to on honor Martin Luther King Jr. by envisioning a future where the needs of an increasingly diverse society are met. "Our purpose was to provide a

format for discussion and to inspire action among individuals and organizations that aspire to remove equity barriers in education and other social systems,” **Finley** said. Participants included representatives of many social service organizations, educators from local K-12 public schools, faculty and staff from Clark College, WSU Vancouver, Portland State University, and even from Southern Illinois University. In total the event had over 100 attendees.

<https://education.wsu.edu/2020/02/02/ahas/>