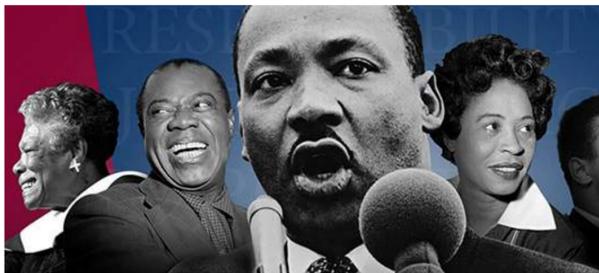


## Shenandoah Celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Shenandoah University begins its annual celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Monday, Jan. 18, with discussion and introspection on equity, culture-blindness and color blindness in both the community and the classroom.

All MLK events are free. Although most are open only to the Shenandoah community, some are available to the public.

The highlight of Shenandoah's celebration is the Martin Luther King, Jr. Service of Remembrance, which will be held virtually this year from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18. This event features readings and prayer from a number of faith traditions, as well as music and the sharing of King's work, such as "Letters from a Birmingham Jail." Shenandoah alumnus Carl Rush, MSEd., MBA, who serves as the equity coordinator for Winchester Public Schools, will present "Uniting Under the Umbrella of Equity."

To see the rest of the events and to register, click the red "LEARN MORE HERE" button below.

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### Reflections On Democracy

Dear Shenandoah Community,

As a university president and a scholar of democracy, I can say unequivocally that our U.S. democracy is strong enough to survive a siege of our Capitol building. But our democracy shouldn't have to prove it.

The weakness is not in our democracy, but in the hearts and minds of those who vandalized the Capitol, who ruthlessly attacked others, and who interrupted democracy at work by threatening the lives of our legislators and the Capitol Police.

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### New Year, New FREE Professional Development Webinars!

It's a new year with new resolutions! We want to help you achieve your goals for 2021 by offering you FREE professional development and lifelong learning webinars. Be sure to check out the information below regarding webinars we have scheduled for January!

Can't attend any of the webinars in January or want to view past webinars from last year? Visit <https://alumic.org/su/archive> to view all of our past webinars; January webinars will appear on the page after they are broadcast.

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### A Message From Susan Wyatt Helsley '76, '85

Happy New Year!

I hope the new year finds you and your families happy and well! 2020 was certainly a year to remember and I, for one, was happy to see it in my rear-view mirror. The dawn of a new year has always signified hope and renewal to me. I pray it will bring hope and renewal for you and for our nation.

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### Sports Industry Zoom Meet-Ups Will Return In February

Now that the Holiday season is over, we are excited to bring back our monthly Sports Industry Zoom Meet-Ups! In February, we welcome alumna **Casey Hertel '11** as our guest speaker. Casey is the director of operations at Koa Sports in North Bethesda, Maryland. The meet-up will be held Friday, Feb. 26, at 4:30 p.m. (EST)! If you are interested in attending the event, click "REGISTER HERE" below.

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### Special MBA Tuition Rate Offered for Shenandoah Alumni!

As Shenandoah alumni, you can earn your MBA for less with our 40% reduced rate in Fall 2021. Interested in growing your professional networks, better utilizing your resources, expanding your career opportunities and exploring new business arenas? If your answer is "yes," you're ready to embark on this learning adventure! Apply today at [su.edu/mba](https://su.edu/mba) or contact Shenandoah Graduate Admissions to learn more: [SUGradAdmissions@su.edu](mailto:SUGradAdmissions@su.edu), 540-665-4581 (call), or 540-401-5709 (text). For more information about the MBA program, contact Dr. Michael Magro at [mmagro@su.edu](mailto:mmagro@su.edu) or 540-535-3537.



## Additional University & Alumni News



### Shenandoah Event Center To Serve As Mass-Vaccination Site

Starting yesterday, by appointment only, Shenandoah University's James R. Wilkins, Jr. Athletics & Events Center is now serving as the COVID-19 mass-vaccination site in the Winchester/Frederick County area in collaboration with Valley Health and the Lord Fairfax Health District.

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### Model Pharmacy Student Assists Ethiopian Students

We loved seeing Mearg Tareke's '19 Bachelor debut last week! Check out our 2017 interview about her organization Walk With Me, pharmacy education, childhood, and modeling career! Hopefully Matt is lucky enough to win her heart!

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### Successful Alumni Profile: Ignatius F. Perry '14, Criminal Justice

Ignatius F. Perry '14 is a police officer with the Winchester Police Department in Winchester, Virginia. In his position, he is a recruiting officer, does patrol and is a member of the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT). As a member of the CIT, Perry has the training to help de-escalate potentially life-threatening situations for subjects experiencing a crisis in mental health.

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**Featured Class News Of The Month:** Mary Paterno (HP '10), was named the director of midwifery services at the Midwifery Center for Cooley Dickinson Health Care in Northampton, Massachusetts. [READ MORE](#)

