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Iowa Senate Democrats elect Zach Wahls as minority leader

Iowa Senate Democrats have elected University of Iowa alum and Coralville Senator Zach Wahls to be the Senate Minority Leader for the upcoming legislative session. Wahls is replacing the current minority leader, Janet Peterson, who announced she would not be seeking reelection on Nov. 11. Senate Democrats will continue to hold 18 of 50 seats in the 2021 legislative session, after flipping one Senate seat and losing another in the November election. Republicans expanded their majority in the House.

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University of Iowa, Iowa State University researchers develop COVID-19 nanovaccine

Researchers at the two universities are collaborating to create a next-generation COVID-19 vaccine that will be administered through a nasal spray to be more effective than the current vaccines.



University of Iowa student goes viral for Midwest tours on Tik Tok

Ryan Price, a University of Iowa junior, spends his days highlighting locations in the Midwest for students to explore during the pandemic.



Hawkeyes keep Floyd home

After a 35-7 Hawkeye victory over the Minnesota Golden Gophers Friday night, the Floyd of Rosedale will reside in Iowa City for a sixth-straight year. The win pushed Iowa's overall record for the 2020 season to 2-2.



Hawks got opportunities

After an 0-2 start to the 2020 season, Iowa football has clawed its way back to .500. Now, the Hawkeyes have a chance to turn their season around as their next three opponents all have losing records.



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Grim outlook for Iowa's hospitals

Iowa broke records for hospitalizations over the weekend, and experts are warning that Iowa's healthcare system will be overwhelmed.

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Iowa's doctors and scientists issued dire warnings over the weekend as hospitalizations continued to rise across the state, threatening to — and in some cases already — overwhelm hospitals in the state.

"Sunday morning in the hospital. It's happening. Hospitals filling. ICUs are filled. Rationing critical care resources and treatments. Nurses and doctors staring at each other in disbelief. We know. This bloody sucks," University of Iowa epidemiologist Eli Perencevich wrote on Twitter Sunday.

Over the last week, hospital specialists have continued to sound the alarm on Iowa's rapidly rising COVID-19 cases. Last week, a Mercy Health Care physician, Stephen Scheckel, told Johnson County leaders 15 out of 17 hospitals did not have any ICU beds available for critical care patients.

"The sickest patients are going to need ICU services yet of those 17 hospitals we only can send those patients to two hospitals and it won't take long for those to fill up," Scheckel said in the Nov. 12 meeting.

As of Sunday, 1,279 Iowans were hospitalized with COVID-19, the



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'Time to heal'

Members and advocates of the international and immigrant community of Iowa City react to a Biden-Harris victory.



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UI international student Peiqi Chen poses for a portrait at the Pentacrest on Nov. 9. Chen is from the Hunan province of China and was weighing whether to study outside of the U.S. depending on the results of the 2020 election.

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For some immigrants and international students in Iowa City, the 2020 election — which many had no say in — meant the difference between another four years of anxiety or security.

University of Iowa senior Amani Ali, a member of the African Student Association, said she voted for the Joe Biden-Kamala Harris ticket. Ali, who received citizenship about seven years ago, was raised in the U.S. after coming as a refugee from Sudan.

This was a high-stakes election for immigrants and people of color, Ali said, and the election was an emotional time for her and her immigrant friends and family.

"I remember four years ago back in 2016 when Trump got elected," Ali said. "I was literally worried for the sake of my family."

Ali said, even though her family had received citizenship, the language Trump used made them fear they were no longer welcomed in the U.S.

This election was "a big life changer," Ali said.

"I know 2020 has been a rough year for all of us with COVID-19 and everything," Ali said. "But finally, I feel like a little bit of weight has been lifted off my shoulders, and I don't have to worry about my immigrant friends and my

family members."

UI senior Peiqi Chen, who is from China, said the results of this election mean she'll stay in the U.S. for graduate school. She'd applied for universities in Australia as a plan B because she didn't know what another four years of the Trump administration would mean for international students in the U.S.

Chen said it didn't matter as much who won, just that Trump lost — because of his threatening language toward international community members and implementation of tight international student regulations, such as restrictions on student visas if classes went all

online that was since rescinded.

"Especially when he said, 'Chinese Virus' for COVID-19," Chen said. "It's kind of aggressive to me. I feel a lot of offense."

Not having a way to have her voice heard was anxiety inducing, Chen said.

"I think the most frustrating thing to international students — not only me, but also my friends — is we don't have a way to speak up," Chen said.

Although Chen is satisfied with the election results, she said international students struggle with ongoing visa requirements.

— UI Senior Peiqi Chen

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Tuition update to come at regents meeting

Iowa's three public universities will receive an update on Wednesday whether the regents will continue the tuition freeze put in place for the fall semester.

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Regent President Mike Richards is slated to give an update on the status of Iowa's three public universities' tuition for the spring semester at this week's meeting, according to regent spokesperson Josh Lehman.

Richards' announcement will come after University of Iowa President Bruce Harrelld suggested he's encouraging the state Board of Regents to return the universities under its governance to predictable tuition increases — although the head Hawkeye didn't specify when.

At a Rotary Club meeting on Thursday, Harrelld told service member groups that he was urging the Board of Regents — which sets tuition rates — to return to its five-year tuition model in the future after the regents froze tuition for the fall 2020 semester to alleviate student financial burden in the wake of the pandemic. At the time, shared governance leaders expressed concerns about the impact a mid-year tuition increase would have on students' ability to plan financially.

"One of the things that we've now kind of set aside for a little while is our, our long-term tuition plan, but the regents came up with that plan that a few years ago that has a five-year tuition plan, and it created certainty, parents and families and students could understand that we could anticipate those funds," Harrelld said. "It was connected to the funding in the state. And we've lost that here a little bit recently with a pandemic. And I really am encouraging the state and the Board of Regents to return to that."

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Michael Stokes, an employee at the UI Office of the President, folds up an Iowa flag before an away football game on Friday. "We put [flags] up on 'Football Fridays' to add a little spirit to campus," Stokes said. Every weekend of a football game, Stokes puts up flags outside the Pentacrest.

TIME TO HEAL

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Dean of International Programs Russell Ganim, said the volume of proclamations and policy changes issues from the White House and Department of Homeland Security over the last few years have for the most part not been favorable toward international students and scholars.

Under the umbrella of the COVID-19 pandemic, the administration has proposed and issued orders limiting the international student's visa statuses, duration of stay, and mobility.

"This has to take a toll psychologically, not simply because of the content of these authorizations, but the volume of them, and just the number of them and the rapidity or the frequency at which they were implemented," Ganim said. "That has to be very very difficult to sustain from a psychological standpoint."

With the new administration, Ganim said he anticipates a change in this trend and his inclination is that the climate toward international students in the U.S. will trend in a more positive direction.

"I think that a new administration could set a reassuring tone with respect to international education and the welcoming of international students and scholars to the United States," Ganim said.

In 2016 directly following President Trump's victory, international students at the UI were contacting campus resources

and inquiring about the security of their visa statuses and safety in the U.S. However, since the election on Nov. 2, Ganim said their offices had not received any queries with regard to the outcome of the 2020 election and President-elect Biden's win.

"I'm taking that actually as a good sign," Ganim said. "Because I think it either means that students feel secure, or that they feel at least that they have enough knowledge moving forward to not be inordinately concerned about their status."

Just before Biden was declared president-elect on Nov. 7, the Iowa City Catholic Worker House held a prayer vigil for a peaceful transition of power for about 20 people.

The vigil was organized by Manny Galvez, an Iowa City community advocate for the Latinx population and immigrant community in the Iowa City area. Galvez said the event was to promote faith and values of fairness and equality.

"It is really important right now in this country that we send a message that love is stronger than hate, and unity is stronger and better for society than the division," Galvez said.

Galvez said many people have watched in fear over the last four years, because the nation's leader has sent messages of division.

"Now, it's time to heal," Galvez said.

Vice President of LULAC 308 David De La Torre, leader of a local sector of the nonpartisan Latinx civil-rights organization, said there was a lot of anxiety in the air prior to the presidential race being called.

"There's so much at stake for the immigrant community, who are among the most vulnerable members of the community — including their families," De La Torre said.

De La Torre said immigrants already face inequities and hostilities that have been heightened by the coronavirus and recent derecho in Iowa.

Another trend De La Torre said he noticed while canvassing

in the field, other than anxiety, was hope. He saw a lot of energy and momentum throughout his civic engagement work in the community.

"One quote that I heard from that experience was someone said, 'que voten los que pueden, para los que no pueden,'" De La Torre said. "So, for those who can vote, vote — vote for those who cannot vote. Because not everybody can."



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UI international student Peiqi Chen poses for a portrait at the Pentacrest on Nov. 9. Chen is originally from the Hunan province of China. The 2020 election was a factor in her decision of whether to stay in the U.S. to continue her education.

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Harreld didn't specify when he thought the regents should return to the steady increase in tuition.

The multiyear tuition model was created to keep tuition-rate increases consistent. That keeps regent universities competitive with their peer institutions while providing students and families with predictability in planning their finances. The 2019-20 academic year was the first year of the model, and resident undergraduate students at the UI saw a 3.9 percent tuition increase, while nonresident undergraduates saw a one percent increase.

The UI has low tuition rates for resident and nonresident students compared to its peer group universities.

Harreld predicted significant headwinds facing higher education, noting a decline in state appropriations and a looming enrollment cliff stemming from fewer college-aged people post-2008 financial crisis.

"Other than recruiting more and more students growing market share adding resonance also classrooms, increasing the cost of tuition, and I'd argue, here we go," Harreld said. "And all is exactly the opposite what we need to do."

Public/private partnerships

Harreld — who plans to retire once the regents appoint a successor — said he's urging the university to explore more public/private partnerships with university entities.

After being asked about future plans for partnerships like the \$1.1 billion deal signed between the UI and ENGIE and Meridiam in December 2019 to manage the university's utility system, Harreld said the university is exploring additional agreements.

"We're still exploring," he said. "It needs several characteristics. They need some source of revenue, external-

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nalizing another partnership.

"What we're now doing is sort of looking for what has these characteristics and we're taking each area and saying how would it work and could we operate it in a world-class way?" Harreld said. "Very importantly, one of the things we put up as a critical component of the utility P3 was we're not doing this on the backs of our employees."

One of the potential areas the university is exploring is the UI Hawk Shop. As *The Daily Iowan* previously reported, the UI is exploring a potential partnership with a private company to manage its Iowa Hawk Shop and University Bookstore as the shops have

lost the university hundreds of thousands of dollars in the last five years.

The UI, however, is not the only university in the state to be considering P3s. As the *DI* previously reported, Iowa State University is currently researching and evaluating its own opportunities for a public/private partnership. The university presented its plan to the Board of Regents in June 2020.

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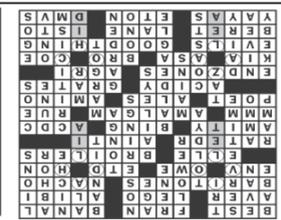
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UI, ISU researchers develop COVID-19 nanovaccine

Researchers at the two universities are collaborating to create a next-generation COVID-19 vaccine that will be administered through a nasal spray.

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University of Iowa and Iowa State University researchers are collaborating to develop a nanovaccine for COVID-19, which allows patients to receive the treatment through a nasal spray.

The team for the nanovaccine is being led by UI Immunology Graduate Program Director Kevin Legge, UI Professor of Microbiology and Immunology Stanley Perlman, and UI Clement T. and Sylvia H. Hanson Chair in Immunology Thomas Waldschmidt.

The team received \$2 million in funding from the Iowa Governor's Office, the Iowa Economic Development Authority, and the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act.

Waldschmidt said the Governor's Office wanted to invest in an in-state venture that would be able to productively work toward a next-generation vaccine.

Current vaccines, including one from Pfizer, are first generation, meaning they work on a systemic response to the virus, Legge said. Since the vaccine needed to be generated so quickly, manufacturers haven't been able to create one that causes respiratory immunity, he said.

"Anytime you bring new technology there's always refinement. With the next-generation vaccines you want to prime respiratory immunity on top of systemic immunity," Legge said. "One of the things this nanoparticle will do is drive a really nice,

robust respiratory immune response in addition to this systemic response."

The systemic response generates respiratory immunity, but it takes longer for it to generate than it would in a second- or third-generation vaccine, Legge added.

Waldschmidt said instead of using needles like many other vaccines, this nanovaccine will be delivered through a nasal spray.

"Our delivery will be in the nose," Waldschmidt said. "The best way to get immunity into the airway immune system is to introduce the vaccine into the airway. The nanoparticle-based vaccine will be given through the nose — no needles, no fainting."

This technology will allow patients to self-administer the vaccine and have it delivered to their homes, ISU Nanovaccine Institute Director Balaji Narasimhan said.

Since the vaccine has thermal technology, it can be stored at room temperature for up to a year without losing activity. This saves money on expensive freezers that are required for other vaccines, Narasimhan said.

The vaccine was originally created to fight against influenza, Waldschmidt said, but the team's technology allowed them to use it for COVID-19 when they noticed the need.

Narasimhan said this technology is modular, meaning a researcher can put certain payloads in, depending on what



Christopher Gannon/Iowa State University

Nanovaccine Institute director Balaji Narasimhan inside one of the institute's labs in the Advanced Teaching and Research Building.

kind of virus it is.

The team is currently in the preclinical stage of testing the safety and efficacy of the vaccine in rodents, Waldschmidt said. He said they have seen positive results in the animal models so far.

Waldschmidt said testing for this vaccine in animals is a bit different than regular testing since some animals can't contract COVID-19. Perlman was able to develop a system where the mice will express the human receptor in the airway that's needed to get infected with the

coronavirus infection.

Waldschmidt said they are now able to vaccinate the mice to see if it will prevent COVID-19 infection. The award is crucial as they move forward with research, he said.

"The governor's award is very timely and very important," Waldschmidt said. "We're very pleased that the governor and the Iowa Economic Development Authority chose to actually invest in research, because there's a lot of need relative to this pandemic. The funds are very instrumental in moving

this next generation coronavirus vaccine forward."

Narasimhan said he's grateful for the collaboration with people from across the state, especially since this is a project that requires a wide range of expertise.

"These problems are very complex and require significant integration of very diverse types of expertise," Narasimhan said. "Working with hospitals, working with research labs, working with universities, and working with medical schools is critical if we want to make progress es-

pecially at a time like this when that progress is very important."

Narasimhan said the team is excited to make a difference in COVID-19 vaccinations.

"It has the possibility to be very high impact. These first-generation vaccines are very important in the sense that they get us off the ground, but we need to improve them," Narasimhan said. "We're incredibly thrilled about the opportunity to have some high impact and do something that will accelerate the creation of much more effective vaccines down the road."

HOSPITALS CONTINUED FROM FRONT

highest number since the pandemic began. According to the Iowa COVID-19 dashboard, 34 percent of hospital beds in the state are currently available.

In RMCC region five, which includes Johnson County, only 22 percent of inpatient beds and 54 ICU beds were available. According to the state's dashboard, 313 COVID-19 patients were hospitalized in the region and 86 in the ICU as of 10:30 p.m. Sunday.

Part of the reason COVID-19

is so taxing on hospital systems is the length of stay — which according to the CDC is between 10-13 days for survivors. COVID-19 is also more labor intensive because health-care workers have to follow strict protocols.

University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics head epidemiologist

Jorge Salinas said in a Nov. 10 Facebook Live that the epidemic in Iowa is worsening, with 3,000-4,000 new cases reported every day, and said this is the worst the pandemic has been in Iowa.

"It's problematic at many levels. When the incidence of COVID goes up in the communi-

ty there are more people who are sick, who cannot go to school, to work, they may need to go to the hospital," he said. "This amount of transmission can put too much pressure on to hospitals and can impact the health outcomes of those who have COVID-19 and those who don't have COVID-19," Salinas said.

Salinas urged those who have essential appointments at UIHC to still come to the clinic.

On Nov. 9, UIHC Chief Executive Officer Suresh Gunesekaran sent an email to hospital employees, asking those who are able to work from home do so as the hospital prepares for a surge in COVID-19 cases.

Gunesekaran said if employees are approved to work from home, employees will be expected to take unpaid week or weeks to increase environmental safety for patients and staff.

In response to the jump in cases, Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds issued new restrictions, limiting indoor gatherings to 25 people, and outdoor gatherings to 100 people, unless participants are wearing masks. But, those don't include schools or religious gatherings.

The situation in Iowa made national headlines this past weekend, with UI experts speaking their minds in The Atlantic and ProPublica.

Perencevich was quoted in The Atlantic saying "the health-care system in Iowa is going to

collapse, no question." Associate Chief Medical Officer for Medical Care at UIHC Gregory Schmidt told ProPublica that the hospital is converting 16 extra beds in the hospital to ICU space in anticipation of a surge in cases.

"People in leadership are starting to say things in meetings like, 'I have a sense of impending doom,'" he was quoted saying.

As cases in Iowa and nationwide continue to rise, pharmaceutical company Pfizer announced on Nov. 9 that its potential vaccine was 90 percent effective in clinical trials.

Salinas said he is optimistic about the possibility of the Pfizer vaccine being approved for use by the end of the year.

"We don't know how many doses will be available," Salinas said. "I want to continue being optimistic. This is great news."

Iowa's Nov. 8 task force report said Iowa's "unyielding COVID spread across Iowa continues."

"The unyielding COVID spread across Iowa continues with new hospital admissions, inpatients, and patients in the ICU at record levels, indicating deeper spread across the state," the report reads. "The most recent trends, showing steep inclines across all indicators, need immediate action including mask requirements to decrease severity in morbidity and mortality among Iowans."



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University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics are seen on June 23.

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Root out racism in faculty retirement

Imperialist landgrabbing is often a part of managed investment for college teachers. The problematic practice is unsustainable.

Increasing public recognition of racialized state violence has prompted calls in higher education for pedagogical and institutional transformation. These shifts in employment mean little if our retirement benefits rest on a foundation of structural racism.

TIAA — Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America — manages retirement savings for most U.S. college faculty and staff and many non-profit employees. TIAA presents itself as a socially responsible investor, but the firm's 'socially responsible investing' option allows land-grabbing. TIAA states that it is the largest manager of global farmland. Together with its many subsidiaries in Brazil and other countries, it has acquired over 2 million acres of farmland and leads corporate land speculation in the U.S. and globally.

TIAA's farmland investments are extensive and troubling. TIAA has spent

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\$340 million on farmland, much of this applied toward buying out family-owned farms, across seven states in the U.S. As Vann R. Newkirk II details in “The Great Land Robbery” (The Atlantic, 2019), this theft has a race. During Reconstruction freed black workers saved money to buy bits of land in the Mississippi Delta, then, from 1950-1964, black farmers lost 800,000 acres of land. Given the history of urban redlining and subprime lending, it may not be shocking to learn that the USDA created massive transfers of wealth from black to white farmers after 1950. Mass dispossession occurred not by grand conspiracy, writes Newkirk, just a million small decisions by various actors.

History is not just in the past. Land in the Mississippi Delta is ideal for industrial agriculture. Power brokers who run industrial farms today are venture capitalists, hedge-fund managers, and agribusiness consultants. Farmland has become a desired asset category for large-scale investors, including pension fund managers. TIAA is now a major player.

Injustice is not confined within national borders. TIAA has become the biggest pension-fund player in the global agricultural real-estate game. The non-profit GRAIN advocates for local control of farmland by small farmers and accuses TIAA of skirting laws to grab land in Brazil. These acquisitions undermine people's ability to produce food for themselves and their communities. TIAA is a major funder of monocrop farming in Brazil that is devastating communities, poisoning water sources, and spreading

toxins via crop dusting. Local people who stand up for their rights face death threats and intimidation by private security guards. TIAA's corporate secretary refused to arrange a meeting between CEO Roger Ferguson and Altamiran Ribeiro, a farmer who visited the U.S. in 2019. Instead, she offered Ribeiro the opportunity to meet with a TIAA spokesperson who previously denied the issues Ribeiro wished to raise.

In Illinois, the home of TIAA's farmland operations, the company rents land to operators who produce corn and soybeans without the cover crops that prevent soil erosion, and with intensive chemical use that poisons rivers and threatens the health of nearby communities. Small towns are dying around TIAA's eroding lands. TIAA tried to use its influence to change Wisconsin state laws so it could acquire farmland there, and may have its sights on Iowa.

When TIAA tried to move into Wisconsin, University of Wisconsin Madison faculty members mobilized to issue a petition, and its Faculty Senate adopted the resolution in 2019. We seek support for a similar resolution to be passed immediately by the UI Faculty Senate. We have submitted a proposed resolution with the support of the Charter Sustainability Committee and will present it to Faculty Council in its Nov. 17 meeting. The resolution urges Funded Retirement and Insurance Committee (FRIC) and HR Retirement Fund Investment Review (RFIC) to publicly call on TIAA to, among other things, allow its clients (faculty and staff) a straightforward, efficient, and accessible way to divest from companies linked to human rights abuses and environmental degradation. TIAA should publicly disclose all information about its farmland holdings in the U.S. and abroad, including exact locations, boundaries, and acquisition dates.

In 2019, the UI Faculty Senate passed a resolution expressing its commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship on our campus. We urge the Senate to again take leadership by joining a move to both divest from socially irresponsible farming pension fund investments and hold TIAA to its stated commitment to socially and environmentally responsible investing.

— Laura R. Graham

UI Professor of Anthropology and President-elect of the Society for the Anthropology of Lowland South America

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COLUMN

COVID-19 isn't under control

The situation will only get worse both here and around the country without action.

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Iowa has been breaking records for the highest numbers of coronavirus cases since the pandemic began, causing COVID-19 hospital admissions to soar across the state.

Despite the reassurances from Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds, Iowa is setting records of maximum patients in local hospitals leading to a dire lack of medical equipment, and assistance.

Even with drastic measures taken immediately, hospitals are in dire straits. Hospitals desperately need help, and for politicians and the public to understand how serious the situation is.

Across the state, more than 1,200 Iowans are being treated — almost triple the highest numbers reported during a spike in May. As of this weekend, the state blew past 5,000 new daily cases on Friday — marking a new grim milestone.

Hospitalization numbers continue to surge, and epidemiologists say hospitals will be overwhelmed and understaffed, infection control specialist Dr. Jorge Salinas said. In an emergency meeting with Johnson County leaders, health officials reported that 15 out of 17 local hospitals did not have any more beds with staff available.

While it is always important to view situations with optimism, from where we're standing today this will only get worse. As we enter the colder months where groups are concentrated indoors, there will only be an exponential increase in cases. The most recent White House Task force expert reported that Iowa continues to be in the red zone



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A person dressed as a plague doctor holds up a sign telling students passing by to wash their hands on March 11.

for the rates of surging cases and ranked 10th among all states in the rate of new cases. More than 80 percent of these cases contribute to high levels of community transmission. These trends were already

Arnold said this is “an endurance issue that's been going on for a long time.”

Hospitals in Linn County have already reported a large number of admissions over the past few months. Doctors

“ These trends were already worrisome, and this new wave of cases has left our hospitals even more overwhelmed.

worrisome, and this new wave of cases has left our hospitals even more overwhelmed.

We are reaching a breaking point. We are on the verge of not having enough staffing capacity and the critical care that is needed to battle the increasing number. Unitypoint Doctor Austin Arnold said that their biggest concern about the hospitalization is the staffing. As the cases increase, the staff decreases.

and hospital staff sounded the alarm, desperate to promote a sense of urgency within the community. During that entire time, they are struggling to meet the needs of all of their patients.

What makes this even scarier is that people are disregarding the most common-sense public practices.

This shouldn't be a political issue, it's a matter of waking up and realizing our reality.

Implement science-based recommendations into your daily life. Not only for your sake, but for the sake of your loved ones, and the people around you. We have to change the way we are doing things, because clearly it has only caused damage thus far.

Without changing our behaviors and taking the correct precautions Iowans are going to continue to suffer the consequences, according to epidemiologists at the University of Iowa.

This battle is not over. Politicians are urging us to not let the virus “dominate” our lives, disregarding the fact that many are left at hospitals afraid for their lives. Instead of dismissing it, leaders and students everywhere need to step up and address the virus that has killed thousands.

If we don't do this, then our lives will be dominated for a very long time.

COLUMN

Please, just wear your mask already

At this point, Iowa's skyrocketing infection numbers are just willful belligerence.

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To put it bluntly, I'm fed up. I'm frustrated that people are still going to the bars on game day and weekend nights. I'm sick of seeing house parties on people's Snapchat stories with no social distancing. But most of all, I'm tired and angry that people are still refusing to wear a mask.

Iowa is currently experiencing record COVID-19 case counts and hospitalizations. The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics has expressed concern that if these numbers keep up, they won't

have enough hospital beds or staff to properly take care of everyone.

We have to wake up and realize that our behavior has direct consequences for the community. The debate about a mask being a symbol of personal freedom needs to end.

You have to wear a mask if you are going out to a public place. Back in July, the CDC announced that the U.S. could've had COVID-19 under control in two months if everyone wore a mask.

That fact alone should've convinced everyone to suck it up and wear one. However, since some Americans de-

decided to turn the science of face masks into political debate, we still haven't been able to stop the spread that has cost nearly a quarter of a million lives.

The University of Iowa need to do their part as well. Recently, the UU Libraries created a program to ensure students wear their mask in the main library. This program includes launching campaigns through social media and placing instructional pictures throughout the library.

It's sad and pathetic that students are still being stubborn about a small choice for the common good.

The UI is going to greater lengths to ensure the safety of others on campus by deciding to create a mask monitor job where a student gets paid for walking around the library and making sure everyone is wearing their mask.

We aren't in kindergarten. We shouldn't need incentivized Hawkeye swag in order to do the right thing. No one has the right to be complaining about wearing a mask when Iowa families are suffering from seeing their loved ones on a ventilator.

Is your stubbornness worth risking the life of someone

else? Campus cases have been on the rise, and the Johnson County positivity rate has soared to 28.3 percent as of Sunday.

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out that this spike is partly because of Halloween and maskless Hawkeye football tailgating. I've said it before and I'll say it again. It's not about refusing to live in fear or having the “I'll survive if I get it” mentality.

It's about how your choices have a direct effect on the community, and you could very well spread it to someone who cannot afford to get sick. Someone else shouldn't be paying the consequences of your actions.

If you're going to continue to be selfish and gather in large groups, you have to at the very least be decent enough to do the bare minimum.

It's not that difficult to pull a piece of cloth over your face before you step outside, and you need to do it.

The time is now to do our part. I'm asking in the nicest way possible that if you are going out in public, please don't be selfish, do your part, and wear a mask.



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UI student gives viral Midwest tours

Ryan Price spends his days highlighting Midwest destinations on TikTok for students to explore during the pandemic.

BY SABINE MARTIN
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After several months of creating content on TikTok, a video-sharing and social-media platform, University of Iowa junior Ryan Price said a surreal moment changed his life.

Price was sitting in his bedroom in Council Bluffs, Iowa, last winter when hundreds of likes, shares, and new followers flashed onto his phone screen from TikTok. Price said he has focused on creating content across several platforms over the last two years.

"I wanted that for so long," the emerging social-media star said. "And then to finally get it, it was just, honestly, a crazy adrenaline rush that could not relate to anything else."

Price has 79,100 followers and almost 800,000 likes from the short videos that he uploads under the handle @iamryanprice on TikTok. Using vibrant colors and smooth transitions, Price said his videos show interesting spots in cities like Omaha, Nebraska, and Chicago, Illinois.

Price, who transferred to the UI this year, most recently featured Iowa City in two



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videos geared toward the local community.

The Iowa-based TikToks feature nature destinations and encourage viewers to get outside during the COVID-19 pandemic. The first video, a "quick day trip for anyone in the Iowa City area," showed Price two hours away in Ogleby, Illinois, on a hike at Starved Rock State Park.

The second video, a "quick adventure right off University of Iowa campus," featured shots of Price walking on Woodpecker Nature Trail in Iowa City.

UI alum Dani McComas, Price's girlfriend who also grew up in Council Bluffs and went to high school with him, said he is gaining a following in Nebraska.

"He's getting super big in the Omaha area," McComas said. "When you're from Council Bluffs, you hang out in Omaha. So, everyone in Omaha would know him."

McComas said she used her knowledge of the UI area to show Price the locations of the Iowa-centered videos, and helped him film his TikToks.

"When we came here, I knew that was his passion. And so, I was showing him places that I thought he would like to go to," she said. "As we kept hanging out, I thought that he loves doing this stuff."

Price said he films, edits, and records voiceovers for all of his videos on his iPhone. He chose to record on his phone because TikTok is a platform where anybody can make content without expensive equipment.

"I know that there's people that have way more likes, but

I just want to make creative videos," Price said.

Price's most popular TikTok drew in 1.3 million views and helped him gain about 15,000 followers. It was part of a three-part TikTok series featuring Price and his friends investigating a tunnel sewer system in Omaha.

Although Price makes videos about cities in the Midwest, he has a global following with viewers from the Philippines, Indonesia, Australia, and Canada, and 56.4 percent of his following is female.

With a larger following, the TikToker said he has secured brand deals with companies like Gorilla Grind, an athleisure apparel brand. He said he posts and promotes his brand deals on Instagram, but the companies find him through TikTok.

"I would look at my videos and think that I'm, in a way, marketing myself," Price said.

As a creator with more than 10,000 followers, Price said he qualifies for TikTok's Creator Fund Program. Though the program benefits him, Price said it's not a sustainable living wage.

"When it comes down to a creator fund, I had a video that had like a million

views and the fund paid like \$20 for that," he said. "So, unless you're putting out a million-view videos or multi-million view videos, it can be very hard constantly living off of that."

Price isn't the only TikTok content creator at the UI. Junior Albara Khalil, an Iowa City native and finance student, creates content about Iowa and the Midwest for students on the social-media platform. His profile, @albucks23, has more than 8,000 followers and 300,000 likes.

Khalil said it's cool both he and Price make content for students at the UI and are connecting people around them.

"I think it's a great app for people who are willing to learn new things and to move forward," Khalil said.

In the future, Price said he hopes to create a self-brand and open up more opportunities around social-media influencing. He said his goal is to hit 100,000 followers on TikTok by the end of 2020.

"I mean, just whatever people think I deserve, you know," Price said. "If people want to follow me, they will. I'd love to make this my job. I'd love to make a living off this."

Iowa City releases racial-equity report card

The report card, which compares data between the last four years, shows changes in traffic stops and juvenile charges.

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The City of Iowa City released a racial-equity report card earlier this month comparing data between 2015 and 2019, which showed a significant decrease in juvenile charges, but an increase in traffic stops.

The report showed a 43-percent decrease in overall youth charges/referrals to the juvenile system and a 36-percent increase in traffic stops, among male Black or African American residents and male American Indian and Alaska Native residents. Stops among female Black or African American residents increased by 23 percent and stops among female American Indian and Alaska Native residents decreased by 30 percent.

The report card is a compilation of data from the Iowa City Police Department Annual Report, the U.S. Census, the Iowa City Human Rights Commission Annual Report, and the Iowa City Employee Statistics Report.

Traffic stops increased overall by 12 percent among men and 13 percent among women.

Iowa City Police Interim Police Chief Denise Brotherton said, according to the department's Juvenile Detective Gabe Cook, the de-

crease in youth charges over the four-year period was primarily a result of the juvenile diversion program.

Brotherton said the program was developed in an effort to avoid putting residents under 18 in the juvenile justice system, and that — if the approximately four-hour program was successfully completed by the resident — no charges would be brought against them.

Brotherton added that the disorderly conduct program began in 2014 and is run by the Linn County Detention Center, while the fifth-degree theft program, run by United Action for Youth, began in 2016.

"Theft 5th degree and disorderly conduct were always our top two arrests (by a significant amount) for juveniles," Brotherton wrote in an email to *The Daily Iowan*. "Making these two charges no longer an arrest, greatly decreased the amount of arrests. Another factor is the police department reached out to schools and retail stores (these two locations accounted for a majority of juvenile arrests) to work on decreasing the number of juvenile arrests."

Brotherton said Cook has not seen any changes to juvenile arrest data as a result of the Black Lives Matter movement or any protests, and

predicts that 2020's numbers will remain relatively stable.

She said the department is discussing expanding the program to cover all simple misdemeanors as well, which she said should result in another significant decrease in juvenile arrests, if implemented.

Brotherton said the recent Iowa City police policy, which discourages officers from stopping residents based on secondary traffic violations, would ideally decrease the number of traffic stops among Black or African American residents and American Indian or Alaska Native residents.

The report card also showed that complaints alleging racial discrimination in Iowa City had no change from 2015 to 2019, remaining at 19 complaints over the four years.

Iowa City Equity Director and LGBTQ Liaison to the city Stefanie Bowers said most complaints the city receives are related to the workplace, followed by housing.

"Since 2015, we have instituted an online complaint form that can be submitted 24/7, also a person can report and incident of discrimination without filing a report 24/7," Bowers wrote in an email to the *DI*. "We also translate Know Your Rights



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Iowa City Police Department vehicles are seen on July 9, 2019.

brochures in multiple languages to attempt to reach a broader audience and work with the University of Iowa Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to approach discriminatory behavior on a proactive basis."

She said she thought racial discrimination incidents go may go unreported to the city, as someone may not immediately know they've been discriminated against or aren't aware of the services the city offers for people who submit complaints.

Iowa City City Councilor

Janice Weiner said the report highlighted areas where the city could improve, such as its handling of traffic stops.

"I think we all understand we need to do better," Weiner said. "That's why we're looking at all these different ways to reduce secondary traffic stops, and to look at ways to improve this so that we're not stopping people for driving Black — that sort of thing."

Regarding the decrease in juvenile charges/referrals, Weiner said the juvenile

diversion program focuses heavily on making sure juveniles do not get put in front of the court system at all.

"So many people screw up in their teens one way or the other," Weiner said. "You don't want to have something like that on your record going forward when you're trying to go to school to get a job or anything else. So, a really strong, effective diversion program that helps people deal with whatever their issues are ... that's what the program is designed to find out."

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Softball starts winter workouts

During the winter offseason, Hawkeye softball players will be away from Iowa's facilities for eight weeks.

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This fall has not been routine for Iowa softball. Big Ten COVID-19 protocols limited the Hawkeyes to intrasquad scrimmages as opposed to their normal eight-game fall schedule.

According to head coach Renee Gillispie, simulating live game action at practice has been a challenge.

"It's great to be able to go up against an opposition," Gillispie said. "You get a lot of scrimmages against each other, and you just really can't get the same type of competitive edge in those [intrasquad] games."

This semester has not been a complete wash for Gillispie and her Hawkeyes though.

"We made the best of what we had," senior Aralee Bogar said. "It's always better when you play another opponent to see how you stack up because you know when you play your teammates all the time, you kind of get used to how the pitchers throw and pitchers know how we swing."

Senior pitcher Lauren Shaw doesn't see things that way. She believes playing against teammates can still scratch pitchers' competitive itch.

"We're still seeing some good talent, even if it's not against another team," Shaw said. "And we really set the bar high on the competitive edge, going against one another... as a pitcher, it's harder to go up against a batter you know than one you've never seen before. It's definitely a lot harder to get a strikeout against them."

Similar to Iowa baseball, the softball team held a Black and Gold Series this fall too. Assistant coaches drafted the players to the Black or Gold team and held a scrimmage every Friday.

Although the teams stayed the same each week, Gillispie said both the Black and Gold teams tested four or five different defenses every game to get each player repetitions at different positions. All position players on the softball team learn two or three different positions.

"We want to have depth at each position," Gillispie said. "You want to put your best offense together that will also give you your best defense."

Because of COVID-19, the Hawkeyes are ending their



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Iowa head coach Renee Gillispie shakes hands with the umpires before the conference opening softball game at Pearl Field on March 29, 2019. This is Gillispie's first season coaching the Hawkeyes.

team workouts a couple weeks early. Usually, they practice together until finals week, then transition to individualized workouts for the offseason. But, Gillispie said she's ending team workouts next week, so the players won't need to travel back after Thanksgiving and potentially spread COVID-19.

Bogar is going back to her hometown, Trophy Club, Texas, during Thanksgiving week and will be there through the end of the semester and winter break.

The Hawkeyes will be scattered throughout the country, but Bogar knows they will all continue training and hold each other accountable.

Each player typically has an individualized offseason strength and conditioning plan developed for them by Iowa's strength and conditioning staff, but this season, that won't be the case. The Hawkeyes will

have to do whatever they can in their hometowns. Some will have access to a gym and others will not.

Gillespie splits her team into three groups during the offseason: Commit, Compete, and Connect. Each group has a leader, and they are responsible for monitoring the group's progress and keeping them accountable.

The coaching staff also provides an individual workout plan for each pitcher on the team, specifying one or two things the pitcher needs to improve upon.

Shaw will be working on her pitching at a facility near her LaGrange, Ohio, home this winter.

"I'm lucky to come from a place in Ohio where great softball players come up," Shaw said. "So, I'll have some great softball hitters to face at the facilities."



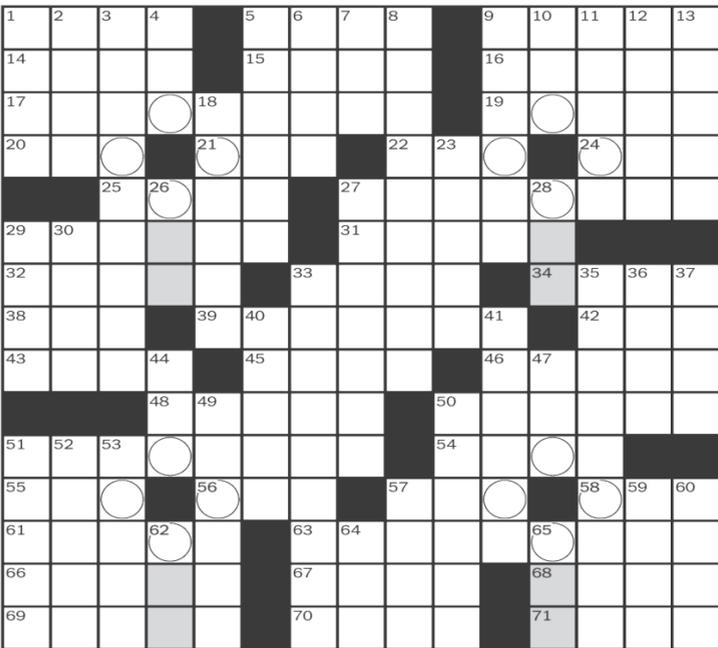
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Iowa pitcher Lauren Shaw throws a pitch during an Iowa softball game against Iowa Central at Pearl Field on Oct. 4, 2019.

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The New York Times
Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz
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Across

- 1 Winning a blue ribbon
- 5 San ___ (California city, informally)
- 9 Trite
- 14 State as fact
- 15 Toy that hurts when you step on it barefoot
- 16 Defendant's excuse
- 17 Some deep voices
- 19 Kind of snack chip
- 20 Letter container: Abbr.
- 21 Have debts
- 22 When a plane is due to leave, for short
- 24 Sweetie
- 25 Her: Fr.
- 27 Parts of gas stoves
- 29 Like movies with considerable sex or violence
- 31 "___ a stinker?" (Bugs Bunny catchphrase)
- 32 Friendship

- 33 Kind of cherry
- 34 Electrical adapter letters
- 38 "Dee-lish!"
- 39 Mash-up
- 42 Paris street
- 43 One who's well-versed in the arts?
- 45 Stout and porter
- 46 Protein builder, informally
- 48 Sharp or sour in taste
- 50 Fireplace log holders
- 51 Where touchdowns are scored
- 54 Prefix with business or culture
- 55 Seoul-based automaker
- 56 Pretty ___ picture
- 57 "Dude"
- 58 College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- 61 They were released from Pandora's box

- 63 "That was fortunate"
- 66 Special Forces headgear
- 67 One of several on a superhighway
- 68 Analogy phrase
- 69 "Get Yer ___ Out!" (Rolling Stones live album)
- 70 School founded by Henry VI
- 71 Auto license issuers, for short

Down

- 1 Sweetie
- 2 Actress ___ Rachel Wood
- 3 Be in jail
- 4 Prefix with cycle
- 5 With 50-Down, place that this puzzle grid represents
- 6 Descartes who said "I think, therefore I am"
- 7 Grow older
- 8 Some facial jewelry
- 9 One holding people up
- 10 Pie ___ mode
- 11 Limited kind of market
- 12 Despise
- 13 Detroit pro team
- 18 "See? What'd I say!"
- 23 Polynesian kingdom
- 26 Tennis do-over
- 27 Brand of Irish cream liqueur
- 28 ___ Fáil (ancient crowning stone)
- 29 Skatepark feature
- 30 Bullets and such
- 33 United States symbol
- 35 "You did it all wrong!," e.g.
- 36 Hill on a beach
- 37 Corp. V.I.P.s
- 40 Important pipes
- 41 Actress Robbie of "I, Tonya"
- 44 Cartoon "devil," informally
- 47 Damage in appearance
- 49 The U.S. has East and West ones
- 50 See 5-Down
- 51 Barely make it
- 52 Skin care brand since 1911
- 53 Milk and cheese products, collectively
- 57 Lead singer for U2
- 59 Airing
- 60 Self-identities
- 62 Meadow
- 64 Feedbag tidbit
- 65 Placed so as not to be found

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and that now is not time to get complacent.

"We just got to continue to come in and practice better," center Tyler Linderbaum said. "You know, and the offensive side, at least, you know, we can still practice better, coach [Ferentz] hit on that. We can still practice better, which is a good thing. We're coming out here these last two weeks playing our butts off. But, you know, [we] have to watch the film, learn what we need to improve on, and then just come out in practice and work on it."

This week, Iowa will have a chance to snap its six-game losing streak to Penn

State. The Nittany Lions are 0-4 after losses to Indiana, Ohio State, Maryland, and Nebraska. The Big Ten Conference announced Sunday that the game will kick off at 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

"I'm really, really proud of the guys," Ferentz said. "Even after that first loss I thought they worked hard, we made improvements in game two. Unfortunately we weren't good enough. We were a point short against [Northwestern]. The guys kept working. They really haven't been deterred this year. I think they've kept focusing on trying to get better. That's what we're going to have to do. . . There's a lot of football left and we still have a lot of improvement to make."



Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz watches his players swarm the field before a football game between Iowa and Middle Tennessee State University on Sept. 28, 2019. Megan Nagorzanski/The Daily Iowan



Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz speaks to his team during a football game between Iowa and Iowa State at Jack Trice Stadium in Ames on Sept. 14, 2019. Shivansh Ahuja/The Daily Iowan

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Iowa has defeated Nebraska five years in a row, and Illinois in six-straight tries. Not that that necessarily means anything for this season's games, but I like Iowa's chances against both opponents.

I like them again this week, too.

Penn State being terrible is an interesting one-eighty. This looked like Iowa's toughest game entering the season. Now, Iowa winning in State College isn't as improbable as it once seemed. That's significant for the win-loss total of this season's team, and to help Iowa bounce back in this series that's been lopsided lately. The Hawkeyes haven't

defeated the Nittany Lions since 2010—that's six losses in a row. Included in those Iowa losses is a 13-3 defeat at State College in 2011, 24 and 27-point drubbings the next two seasons, and three losses the past three seasons by a combined 13 points.

Time for some Iowa revenge. Penn State is allowing 34.8 points per game through the first four weeks of the season. Yes, I had to triple check to make sure that was accurate. And the Nittany Lions may have a quarterback controversy this week as starter Sean Clifford was benched in the team's loss to Nebraska over the weekend.

I expect Iowa to be favored in all three of its next three games. A Hawkeye victory in Happy Valley, followed by wins over Nebraska and Illinois in the following weeks, would make

the season finale against Wisconsin in Kinnick Stadium on Dec. 12 all the more interesting.

Iowa's loss to Northwestern still hurts the Hawkeyes. A lot. The Wildcats are 4-0 on the season and would need a mini-collapse over the next four weeks for the Hawkeyes to take over in the standings.

Iowa is fourth in the West standings. Northwestern is at the top, followed by a very good Wisconsin team (2-0) that has the upper hand on Iowa the past four years, and Purdue (2-1), a team Iowa already lost to this season.

There are a lot of what-ifs in this column that need to happen for Iowa to keep it interesting in the standings. But at least the opportunities are there. That wasn't the case two weeks ago.

And this is a heck of a lot more captivating.

SMITH
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do during these times."

Recently, Smith had to make some adjustments to his training regimen to accommodate the competition-less fall season.

"It has been rough for me and a lot of the other guys," Smith said. "We can't show how much training we've been doing and the improvement we've made without the meets."

While Smith has been doing some things on an individual basis, he still practices with his teammates—even if he hasn't to the same extent that he would during a normal season.

"We get to practice to-

gether a few days a week, but we can practice every day by ourselves if we're not with teammates," Smith said. "When we practice together, we follow the guidelines as we stretch, and we have started doing small races as a team. We also base mileage to build up endurance."

When they do run together, the Hawkeyes try their best to keep things interesting and exciting.

"We sometimes like to run together as a team for fun," Smith said. "Each person gets to choose where they go, and we make a route as we run."

Cross country head coach Randy Hasenbank has also done his part to help keep his teams' chemistry up.

"I try to get the team

together after practice to hang out," Hasenbank said. "The practice times are team-building times."

For Smith in particular, Hasenbank had high praise.

"He's a racer who loves to race," Hasenbank said. "He is the toughest competitor."

On Sept. 23, the NCAA announced that men's and women's cross country could begin competing Jan. 23, with championships to be held March 15.

The NCAA has already reported that some of its membership has expressed concern on behalf of double-duty, track and field and cross country athletes, like Smith, that may get burnt out trying to compete in two sports at once.



The University of Iowa's Spencer Smith attempts to pass Drake University's Kevin Kelly during the Hawkeye Invitational on Sept. 6, 2019 at the Ashton Cross Country Course. Emily Wangen/The Daily Iowan

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HAWKEYE UPDATES

COVID-19 scratches 15 college football games

COVID-19 outbreaks and protocols caused the cancellation or postponement of 15 college football games over the weekend. The Big Ten, Pac-12, SEC, and ACC all had at least one game on their scheduled slate go unplayed.

In the Big Ten, that game was Ohio State at Maryland. Scheduled to play at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, the Terrapins announced Wednesday afternoon that they would not be playing Ohio State after eight positive test results were recorded.

In the Big Ten, there are no opportunities to make up games. The conference's delayed Oct. 23 start gave it exactly nine weeks to play games until College Football Playoff selection Sunday Dec. 19. So, the league elected to schedule nine games in nine weeks, meaning, if a game is canceled, it will not be made up.

The SEC began play Sept. 26. The league's 10-game, conference-only schedule allowed flexibility for missed games to be made up.

Even with room for make-ups, the SEC approved Dec. 19 - the day of the SEC Championship game - as a make-up date for non-SEC Championship game participants to play missed games on.

The measure was approved Nov. 13. Overall, eight of the SEC's 14 teams did not play on Saturday as the four games were canned or postponed.

Similarly to the Big Ten, Pac-12's Nov. 7 start left no margin for error, as the conference scheduled seven games to be played in seven weeks before College Football Playoff selection Sunday.

This week, two Pac-12 games were canceled. Arizona State's game was most notably cut after their head coach, Herm Edwards, and others on his staff and team tested positive for COVID-19.

Wisconsin returns to gridiron

After missing two weeks because of a COVID-19 outbreak in its program, Wisconsin football returned to the field Saturday night for a matchup with Michigan in Ann Arbor.

The Badgers didn't miss a beat after two weeks off, defeating Michigan, 49-11.

Redshirt freshman quarterback Graham Mertz did play in the game after testing positive for COVID-19 Oct. 24. Mertz threw for 127 yards and two touchdowns.

POSTPONED AND CANCELED POWER FIVE FOOTBALL GAMES

1. Auburn at Mississippi State
2. Texas A&M at Tennessee
3. Alabama at LSU
4. Missouri at Georgia
5. Ohio State at Maryland
6. Pittsburgh at Georgia Tech
7. California at Arizona State
8. Utah at UCLA

BIG TEN WEST STANDINGS

1. Northwestern, 4-0
2. Wisconsin, 2-0
3. Purdue, 2-1
4. Iowa, 2-2
5. Nebraska, 1-2
6. Minnesota, 1-3
7. Illinois, 1-3

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"We picked up the pig, but it was a little too heavy. I needed a couple O-linemen to help me pick it up."



- Junior running back Tyler Goodson on lifting the Floyd of Rosedale solo

STAT OF THE DAY

The Floyd of Rosedale weighs

98.3
pounds

Hawkeyes gaining steam

Following an 0-2 start to the season, Iowa clawed its way back to .500 with wins over Michigan State and Minnesota.



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Iowa Hawkeyes running back Tyler Goodson (15) celebrates with offensive lineman Justin Britt (63) after scoring a touchdown in the first half against the Minnesota Golden Gophers on Nov. 13 at TCF Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

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Iowa's victory over Minnesota on Friday meant the Floyd of Rosedale trophy will stay in Iowa City for a sixth year in a row. The win was also the latest step for the Hawkeyes in turning their season around following an 0-2 start.

The Hawkeyes have clawed their way back to .500 on the season, earning back-to-back wins in blowout fashion over Michigan State, 49-7, and Minnesota,

35-7. The Hawkeyes' 0-2 start could've derailed team chemistry and morale. Head coach Kirk Ferentz believes Iowa's last two wins were important beyond the Xs and Os.

"Every week's a challenge," Ferentz said Friday night. "Anytime you lose you have to worry about just how the guys are doing because they're young. Those of us who've been around the game for a while realize there's ups and downs during the

course of any season, typically. It's not always wins and losses, but you're always going to be dealing with something, and you got to worry about that with any football team and any football player."

Iowa hasn't just earned two blowout wins the last two weeks, it changed its complexion entirely.

Against Purdue and Northwestern to open the season, the Hawkeyes threw the ball 89 times - producing 481 yards, three interceptions, and

one passing touchdown. In their two most recent wins, the Hawkeyes have changed their strategy, and it paid off. Iowa ran the ball 75 times and passed on only 45 occasions.

The Hawkeyes' efforts on the ground have yielded 461 yards and 8 rushing touchdowns over the past two weeks.

Having found a winning formula on offense, the Hawkeyes' are feeling good about what the rest of the season might hold for them.

"As long as we take care of the football, limit turnovers, and progress on the fundamentals, I think this team, we could be, we could do great things here at Iowa," running back Tyler Goodson said. "Like I said before, this team has created a great bond with each other and it's showing on the field, and we're able to become successful."

Despite two satisfying wins, the Hawkeyes know there is still work to do,

SEE FLOYD, 7

Green fields ahead

Iowa's next three opponents have a combined two wins this season.



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Iowa Hawkeyes running back Tyler Goodson (15) rushes with the ball for a first down in the first half against the Minnesota Golden Gophers on Nov. 13 at TCF Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.



ROBERT READ

MINNEAPOLIS — Iowa's dominant 35-7 victory over Minnesota was important — and entertaining — for the Hawkeyes on a number of fronts.

Two straight blowout victories to get back to .500? Check. Bragging rights over Minnesota for the sixth year in a row? Check. Kirk Ferentz being petty at the end of the game in hilarious fashion? Surprisingly, check.

At the halfway point of Iowa's eight-game 2020 regular season, the team stands at 2-2. Not great, but certainly a lot more promising than two weeks

ago when the Hawkeyes were in an 0-2 hole.

Two weeks ago, after Iowa blew a 17-0 lead and lost to Northwestern to fall to 0-2, I wrote that the Big Ten West was wide open, but the Hawkeyes weren't part of the race. The first part of that isn't as accurate anymore. But Iowa has helped itself out on the second part.

Victories over Michigan State and Minnesota have Iowa back to at least being in the hunt for the division. And there are plenty of opportunities ahead, particularly over the next three weeks.

The next three games on Iowa's schedule: Penn State (0-4), Nebraska (1-2), and Illinois (1-2).

The Illini might be the worst team in the conference this year, and surprisingly the Nittany Lions are also battling for a chance to claim that

Smith looks to spring

Spencer Smith reflects on his past athletic achievements and how he is staying in shape despite the postponement of the cross country season.

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For junior runner Spencer Smith, the 2020 fall semester has not gone as he envisioned it would just a few months ago.

On Aug. 11, the Big Ten Conference postponed all fall sports to a later date - including cross country. The league amended its stance Sept. 16, allowing its 14 football teams to play a conference-only schedule, but all other sports remained postponed.

Smith is a native of Bettendorf, Iowa, and a graduate of Alleman high school in Rock Island, Illinois. As a Pioneer, Smith was a six-time all-conference and two-time all-state honoree. He was also a Western Big 6 conference champion in the 3,200 and 1,600-meter as a senior.

Smith's success didn't stop at the high school level either.

As a freshman at Iowa, Smith posted season-bests at the Hawkeye Invitational, Joe Piane Notre Dame Invitational, Big Ten Championships, and NCAA Midwest Regionals.

The following year, Smith was Iowa's third finisher in the five-mile at the Notre Dame Invitational and the 8,000-meter at the Big Ten Championships.

This year has been dramatically different for Smith since it began, however, the Big Ten's decision to postpone fall sports didn't shock him.

"I wasn't really surprised because the COVID-19 numbers have been increasing," Smith said. "It is still really important to keep training. We have to do the best we can

SEE AHEAD 7

SEE SMITH, 7