# THE QUILL



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### **NOVEMBER 2020**

### Election Day Tuesday, November 3

☆☆ REMEMBER TO VOTE! ☆☆

Click <u>here</u> to find your local polling place. All students can visit <u>this site</u> for info about voting. On campus residents can vote on campus on November 3.

### November is Native American Heritage Month

"Native American Heritage Month has evolved from its beginnings as a week-long celebration in 1986, when President Reagan proclaimed the week of November 23-30, 1986 as "American Indian Week." Every President since 1995 has issued annual proclamations designating the month of November as the time to celebrate the culture, accomplishments, and contributions of people who were the first inhabitants of the United States" (Source)

Native American Heritage Month our Native American Student Organization (NASO) will be spotlighting Native American and Alaskan Native alumni throughout the month on different UW-Stout media. Also, NASO will be virtually bringing Dylan Prescott to talk to our community about art and cultural appropriation. Details of this event will be posted on the NASO Connect and Facebook pages.

NASO meets Wednesdays at 5:30 this Fall. All students, faculty, and staff are welcome anytime. <u>Teams Link</u>

### National First-Generation Day November 8



National First-Generation Day is celebrated annually on November 8th. In 2017, the Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) and the Center for First-Generation Student Success launched the First-Generation College Celebration.

UW-Stout will be celebrating with a firstgeneration student panel on Monday, November 9 from 12-1. <u>Teams Link</u>

## Disability Services is Here for Our Students



This fall our Disability Services (DS) office started using Accessible Learning Management (AIM) to

improve interaction and communication between the DS office, students and faculty. If you are a student who may need accommodations, AIM is a great place to start, to find out more information click here, to log in and fill out the application click here.

### Disability Virtual Career Fair November 10

If you're an individual with a disability looking for employment or internships, register for the Disability Virtual Career Fair presented by Bender Consulting Services, Inc. Early registration will give employers access to your resume as soon as they register for this event. You can chat online with employers all across the country who are ready to hire you.

Register today!

#### **Veterans at Stout**



Did you know that 5% of the student population at UW-Stout are veterans? Our student veteran population is diverse in nearly every aspect with the majority having served after 9/11. **Grant Kjellberg** is one of these Post 9/11 veterans who is returning to the classroom this fall after a tour in Afghanistan. Our National Guard Students have also been working hard this year on the front lines against COVID-19. Balancing school and service is a challenge, but Sarah Dickmann found her balance (Sarah's Story).

The <u>Veterans Club</u> is a student organization comprised of Veterans, Servicemembers, their family and friends, and individuals interested in learning more about Veterans. We advocate for Veterans, sponsor activities, promote patriotic ceremonies and participate in university/community activities. <u>Veterans Services</u> is here to support students.

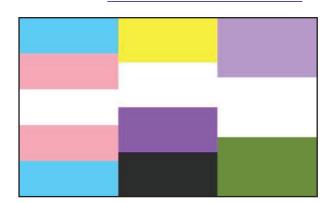
### **Veterans Day | November 11**

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary marking the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation in 1954 to change the name to Veterans Day as a way to honor those who served in all American wars.

## Transgender Day of Rememberance | November 20

Transgender Day of Remembrance is held annually on November 20th to honor those murdered due to antitransgender violence. It first started to honor Rita Hester, a Black trans woman murdered in Massachusetts. One year after her death, in 1999 trans activist Gwendolyn Ann Smith held a vigil for Rita, and all others who have lost their lives to anti-trans violence. This year on November 20th, take a moment to pause, reflect, and honor those no longer with us. The Qube will be holding a vigil with details on **Connect** on how to participate.

If you are a member of the trans or non-binary community, there are many resources at Stout, in the Menomonie area, and online to help support you. <a href="mailto:Trans Lifeline">Trans Lifeline</a> (1-877-565-8860) and the <a href="mailto:Trevor Project">Trevor Project</a> (1-866-488-7386) are both 24/7 hotlines specifically for trans and LGBTQIA+ individuals. The Qube can also connect you with local trans friendly health providers, counselors, housing, and clothing/food assistance. For more information, contact Nicole Eastman at <a href="mailto:eastmanni@uwstout.edu">eastmanni@uwstout.edu</a>.



Gender identity goes beyond just cisgender and transgender. The image above includes from left to right the trans, non-binary, and genderqueer flags. As we bring visibility to the trans community, it's important to acknowledge all genders affected by transphobia and anti-trans actions.