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## Updates on COVID-19

Carleton’s COVID-19 Core Team recently [shared](#) some changes to our planned testing and masking policies as we approach the fall term with cases of the Delta variant rising. We remain committed to living, learning, and working together on campus, as laid out in [Carleton’s plan for the academic year 2021-22](#).

Whenever possible, students should be tested for COVID-19 72 hours before arriving on campus. Some students and families may not be able to achieve this based on existing travel plans or testing capabilities in their area. In this case, they should plan to test in a timeframe that makes the most sense for their individual situation, with results received before arriving on campus. A PCR or antigen test is acceptable for this pre-arrival testing.

Ultimately, the College’s expectation is that students and families will make every effort to ensure they are not bringing the virus to campus. Students are not required to submit proof of a negative test to Carleton; however, if a student receives a positive test result, they will need to [report it to the College](#) and delay their arrival until they have recovered. More details about mandatory baseline testing for students upon arrival to campus will be coming soon.

Please visit the list of [Frequently Asked Questions](#) and submit your own questions to the **COVID-19 Core Team**. For links to the CDC, Minnesota Department of Health, and Rice County COVID-19 case data, please visit Carleton’s [Responding to COVID-19 page](#).

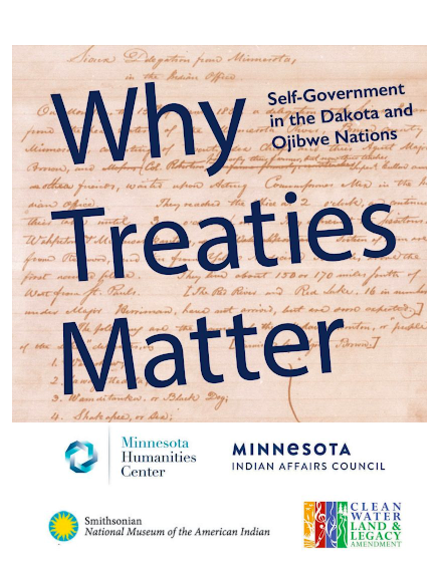
## Thank you for joining us!

So far, we have held 15 events this summer, both in-person and virtually, to welcome the Class of 2025 and reconnect with the Carleton community all over the US and the world. Thank you to the many Carleton students, parents, and alumni who served as co-hosts—we couldn’t have done it without you!



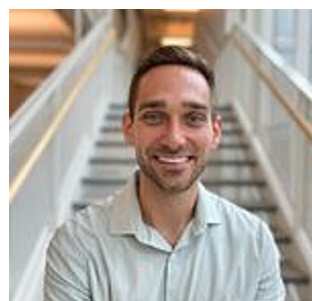
## “Why Treaties Matter” exhibit on campus starting September 9

In Fall 2021, Carleton will host [“Why Treaties Matter: Self-Government in the Dakota and Ojibwe Nations.”](#) The exhibit, made in partnership between the [Minnesota Humanities Center](#), the [Minnesota Indian Affairs Council](#), and the [Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian](#), explores relationships between Dakota and Ojibwe Indian Nations and the U.S. government in this place we now call Minnesota. Through images, text, and video, learn how treaties affected the lands and lifeways of the indigenous peoples of this place, and why these binding agreements between nations still matter today.



[Learn more](#) about the exhibit and related events being held from September 9 through October 17.

## 250+ externship opportunities for Carls



*Luke Klefstad,  
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After a successful round of recruiting parents, alumni, and friends of Carleton to host externs as part of the [Externship Program](#), the Career Center is pleased to announce we have secured over 250 externship opportunities for Winter Break 2021, with applications open starting August 30.

Learn more about them and how you can help with housing and hosting externs [here](#).

## Carleton Convocations Program

Beginning September 15, the [Carleton College Convocations](#) program is a weekly lecture series for the entire campus community that brings fresh insights and perspectives from experts in a variety of fields, to stimulate thought and conversation on a wide range of subjects.

Among the many fascinating speakers scheduled this year, the program will include [Professor of Psychology Neil Lutsky](#), [Professor of Ojibwe Anton Treuer](#) (Bemidji State), journalists [Mona Chalabi](#) and [Alix Freedman P’23](#), and author [Jesmyn Ward](#).

You can view recordings of archived Convocations [here](#).

## Interested in volunteering?



Carleton parents and guardians can be wonderful ambassadors and advocates for the college, helping us to secure internships and externships for students, hosting events across the country, and serving as resources to parents of prospective students. If you’re interested in volunteering, let us know by filling out the survey [here](#). To reach the survey, scroll down to the section labeled “Volunteer Opportunities.”

### USEFUL LINKS

- [Parent/Family Gateway](#)
- [COVID-19 campus updates](#)
- [Weekly Convocations](#)
- [Campus Calendar](#)
- [2021-2022 Academic Calendar](#)
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