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The University of Richmond media and public relations team is providing a recap of URNews2Use for your publication, website, and social media channels.

Presidential Thought Leadership
President Ronald A. Crutcher is interviewed on this episode of the PBS program The Open Mind to discuss issues related to access, affordability, and race in higher education. This program aired on PBS stations across the country.

President Crutcher was also highlighted in The Chronicle of Higher Education’s report: The Challenge of Leading Today’s Colleges: How presidencies Go Wrong. The report, which is available for purchase, features video interviews with seven college presidents, including Crutcher. The presidents shared advice on surviving the presidency, leading meaningful campus change, and navigating an increasingly complex academic landscape.

Higher Education Leadership
- UR’s Associate Vice President and Dean of Admission Gil Villanueva is quoted in this Forbes piece where college admission deans share tips for college applications.
- Diverse Issues in Higher Education highlights a recent campus effort led by Keith McIntosh, vice president and chief information officer, that encourages dialogue around race and social issues.

The Conversation
University of Richmond physics professor Christine Helms authored [NASCAR may be the fastest way to learn physics](https://theconversation.com/nascar-may-be-the-fastest-way-to-learn-physics-113961) for [The Conversation](https://theconversation.com/), an independent news source for informed commentary and analysis, written by university scholars.

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**Experts Guide: Tips for First-Year Students**

We are highlighting our latest [expert guide](https://theconversation.com/expert-guides) curated for ‘back to school’ season, where University of Richmond experts provide pro-tips for incoming first-year college students. We would love to connect you with these experts for stories you are working on.

**Expert Resource: Anthropologist Chris von Rueden**

A [new study](https://theconversation.com/anthropology-study-shows-collaboration-helps-men-improve-social-status-113952) out this week by University of Richmond anthropologist [Chris von Rueden](https://theconversation.com/expert-profiles) looks at how collaboration with others can improve men’s social status. Von Rueden is available for interviews about the study and can speak to why who you know matters when it comes to striving for a higher social status.

Contact Lindsey Campbell at [lcampbe4@richmond.edu](mailto:lcampbe4@richmond.edu) to connect with von Rueden.

**Media Releases**

- [Digital Scholarship Lab Adds 45 Cities Plus Area Descriptions to Popular "Mapping Inequality" Project; Also Now Mobile Friendly](https://urnewsroom.richmond.edu/reports/digital-scholarship-lab-adds-45-cities-plus-area-descriptions-to-popular-mapping-inequality-project/)
- [University of Richmond Library Staff Member Lese Taylor Named Diversity Scholar by Association of Research Libraries](https://urnewsroom.richmond.edu/reports/ur-library-staff-member-named-diversity-scholar/)
- [UR Biology Professor Kristine Grayson Awarded NSF Grant for Project on Course-based Undergraduate Research Experience](https://urnewsroom.richmond.edu/reports/ur-biology-professor-awarded-nsf-grant-for-project-on-course-based-undergraduate-research-experience/)

**On Deck**

A [commemoration ceremony](https://urnewsroom.richmond.edu/reports/commemoration-ceremony-for-ball-property/) is being held for the University of Richmond’s 104-acre Ball Property on Aug. 14 at 11 a.m. at Clover Hill Farm, which is located adjacent to the property at 2094 Sheppard Town Road, Goochland, Virginia. The unveiling of a new roadside historical marker at the property will formally recognize the donation of the property which has resulted in more than 50 years of field teaching and research.

**Rankings**

The Princeton Review [recognized](https://theconversation.com/the-princeton-review-ranked-the-university-of-richmond-as-no-2-in-career-services-113950) the University of Richmond as #2 for “Best Career Services” in its 2020 edition of its college guide, “[The Best 385 Colleges](https://theconversation.com/).” We also received additional accolades including #4 for “Best Schools for Internships” and #5 for “Best-Run Colleges.” [Business Insider](https://theconversation.com/best-colleges-ranked-by-business-insider-113951) noted our #5 ranking for “Most Beautiful Campus.” UR was also recently highlighted by [Kiplinger’s Personal Finance](https://theconversation.com/).
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