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SPRING 2021 SEMESTER REPORT



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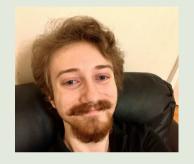
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#### Letter From the Editor

Hello! Thank you for taking the time to open The Stute's Spring 2021 Semester Report. In here you will find a documentation of what we've been up to this past semester, including our most viewed content and professional development efforts. These reports are for all members of the Stevens community, regardless of involvement in The Stute or current student status. I hope you find something valuable in this report, and I thank you for reading The Stute and taking the time to understand our organization.

Sincerely, Natalie Ann Todaro '22 Editor in Chief

### MEET THE MINOR BOARD

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### HIGH IMPACT STORIES

# New SGA constitution fails to pass, plans to move forward begin

On December 14, 2020, the Student Government Association (SGA) set forth a new constitution... by Gianna Callegari

### <u>University Center stands tall; rapid progress on</u> <u>construction despite pandemic</u>

Sitting atop Castle Point Terrace and overlooking New York City are the two towers that will soon become the Student Housing... by Sara Deuidicibus

### <u>A conversation with Jeremy Livingston,</u> <u>new IT security chief at Stevens</u>

Jeremy Livingston joined the Stevens Division of Information Technology (IT) in January 2021 as the new Chief Information Security Officer... by Yusuf Mohammed

#### <u>University makes progress on D&I goals,</u> <u>President Farvardin speaks on initiatives</u>

On June 23, 2020, specific Diversity & Inclusion (D&I) goals and actions were endorsed by President Nariman Farvardin... by Natalie Todaro

### HIGH IMPACT STORIES

# <u>Stevens COVID cases rise as the spring</u> <u>semester begins</u>

Between December 28, 2020 and February 14, 2021, a total of 30 new on-campus-tested cases were reported... by Sara Deuidicibus

### <u>Stevens community joins together in STOP</u> <u>ASIAN HATE virtual rally</u>

On Wednesday, March 24, at 9 p.m., members of the Stevens community joined together virtually in STOP ASIAN HATE... by The Stute

#### <u>Students organize #STOPASIANHATE fundraiser</u> <u>selling handmade bracelets</u>

Sisters and Stevens students have started a #STOPASIANHATE bracelet fundraiser... by Jordyn Ramelli

# An interview with Liana Meyer and Julieann Murphy, running unopposed on SGA Presidential ticket

Elections for the President and Vice President of Operations (VPO) of the SGA are underway... by Gianna Callegari

### HIGH IMPACT STORIES

## <u>Stevens sophomore achieves status of</u> <u>"Amazon Bestseller"</u>

Julia Wierzbicki is a 2/4 Mechanical Engineering student at Stevens. In her sophomore year of college, she is already a successful author... by Gianni Callegari

#### <u>Stevens sororities include trans women and</u> <u>nonbinary students, pushing for inclusivity</u>

On April 10, the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) will formally vote on whether to amend their recruitment policies... by Roshni Revankar

### <u>Students register for Fall 2021 semester with</u> <u>new Workday system</u>

Fall 2021 registration is in full swing for the undergraduate body...

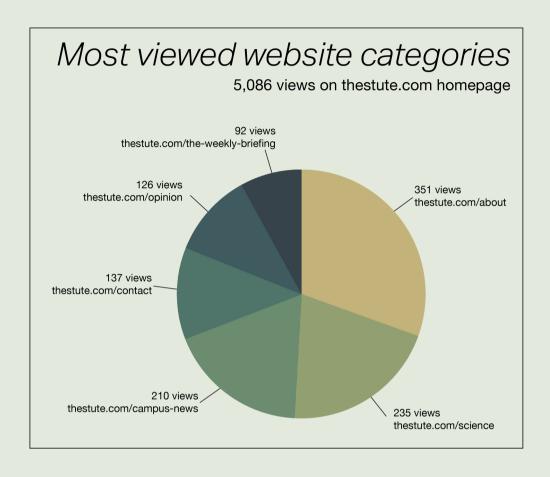
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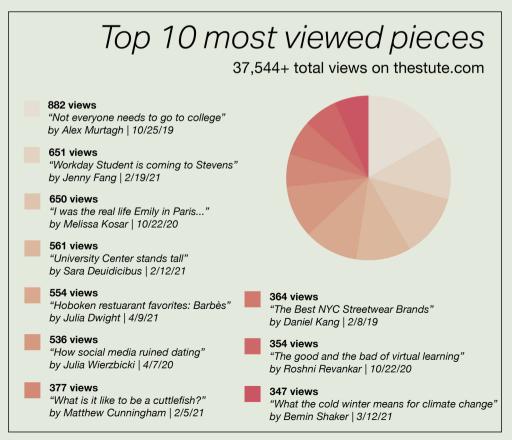
#### <u>Virtual Pride After Dark lights up Zoom</u>

Pride Week 2021 came to a powerful conclusion on Friday, April 16, with the third annual Pride After Dark celebration...

by Sanjana Madhu

## **ANALYTICS**





## **INSTAGRAM ENGAGEMENT**







Registrar shuts down for fall **2021** registration

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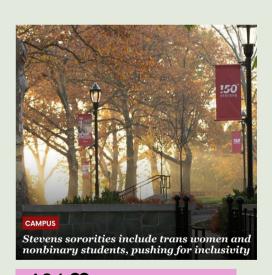


University Center stands tall; rapid progress on construction despite pandemic

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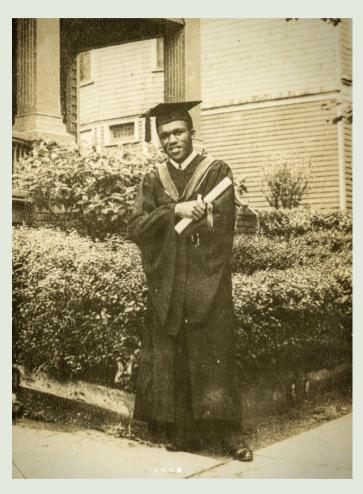


Workday Student is coming to Stevens: here's what you need to know

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### **FEATURES**

### Black History Month (<u>link</u>)



Randolph Montrose Smith was the first Black student to graduate from Stevens in 1924...Another notable alumnus is James Braxton '37. The library's recent retrieval of the James Braxton Papers has illuminated newfound insight into his life.

by Katrina Bergen

### Women's History Month (link)



Stevens has its own history of women students – it wasn't until 1971 that women were allowed to attend...

by Michelle Medina

### SPECIAL ISSUES

### The Stupe - April 1, 2021



Welcome to The Stupe — the one day out of the year where Off The Press puts some sense into us and teaches us about real journalism!

Read The Stupe here

#### **Earth Day**



The COVID-19 pandemic has given society a fast-motion glimpse of what climate change could entail, as both the pandemic and climate change...

Read Earth Day articles here

# DIGITAL FRONT PAGES



While we still were unable to print issues this semester, we created weekly front page layouts to bring some sense of normalcy to The Stute. Here are just a few. View all front pages here

### MARCH STAFF MEETING

#### New Ethics Pledge

This semester, we wrote an Ethics Pledge that is required for all members of The Stute to sign after a certain number of contributions. Part of the pledge is also attending an ethics seminar that talks about ethical case studies we've had to deal with as well as basic practices. This semester, we held a mandatory staff meeting in March for our first Ethics Seminar. This pledge is about principle more than anything; it's something concrete that defines members of The Stute and is not something arbitrary that anybody can sign and forget about. We plan to continue this initiative for all new members of The Stute.

#### The Stute Ethics Pledge:

"As a student journalist for The Stute at Stevens Institute of Technology, your mission is to serve the public by seeking out and reporting the facts as accurately as possible.

By signing this ethics pledge, you agree to maintain the highest standards of honesty and foster ethical behavior at all times. Anyone who fails to uphold these ethical standards has committed a serious violation of this agreement. Penalties can range from limited ability to contribute content to the paper, the loss of member status in The Stute and all abilities to contribute, or other consequences based on decisions made by the Executive Board.

Examples of penalties can include (but are not limited to): Unprofessional behavior: Disrespecting sources, fellow members and students, or readers in any way that produces harm or an unhealthy work environment."

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Fall semester staff meetings

Similar to our March staff meeting, we plan to hold another Ethics Seminar to allow for new members to sign the new Stute Ethics Pledge.

We plan to have a September, October, and November staff meeting to reconnect and foster more of a work environment.



#### Printing and in-person production

Looking
forward to
getting back
to work in
our office and
printing weekly
issues again!

