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President Cheng on NAU's plans to return students, faculty, and staff to campus

President Cheng discusses the protocols NAU is implementing to support a learning and working environment that is focused on NAU's mission and introduces the **Jacks are Back website**, where Lumberjacks can find information about returning to campus for the fall semester.

[Watch the full video online.](#)



NAU chemistry professor pauses research, uses lab time to produce hand sanitizer to donate to Navajo Nation

About 30 percent of homes in the Navajo Nation don't have running water, which is especially challenging during the COVID-19 pandemic. So, NAU faculty and student researchers stepped in to help. In one afternoon, **Jani Ingram** and students **Andee Lister**, **Dana Clashin**, **Marissa Maresand** and **Jason Farmer** produced 80 gallons of hand sanitizer to help supply the Nation during this time. [Read more online.](#)



NAU researchers study effects of COVID-19, health disparities on caregivers of people with Alzheimer's and related diseases

A multidisciplinary team from the Southwest Health Equity Research Collaborative, led by Regents' Professor **Julie Baldwin**, received a \$250,000 NIH grant to study the unique needs of caregivers of people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia. Their goal is to identify how health and caregiver support resources have changed during COVID-19 and how family caregivers are coping with pandemic-related caregiving demands. [Read more online.](#)



Summer public health enhancement programs for Diné College students, in which NAU is a partner, move online during pandemic

The Summer Research Enhancement Program, designed for college students, and the Indigenous Summer Enhancement Program, aimed at high school students, provide hands-on learning, student-led projects and mentoring for students in the Navajo Nation. They look different this summer, but participants still find the value through the virtual programs.

[Read more online.](#)

[Navajo Housing Authority, NAU develop interactive app showing public Wi-Fi locations](#)

