DEADLINE NEARS FOR PREVENTING SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING

Required online training is being provided to UW–Madison employees on Preventing Sexual Violence and Harassment at UW–Madison. All UW–Madison employees are required to complete this training by Sept. 30. This training will help all UW–Madison faculty and staff members recognize, prevent, and respond to sexual assault and sexual violence in the workplace. Once enrolled, an employee may take the training in one session or in chunks. The module allows users to stop and resume as they choose. Most employees complete the program in about 60 minutes. Employees who are unable to complete online training will be offered in-person training. Information about registering for in-person training will be provided at a later date. In-person training will also be provided in Spanish, Hmong, Tibetan, Nepalese, and Chinese.

SOME STREETS TO BE CLOSED DURING DORM MOVE-IN

Numerous campus area streets will be closed to accommodate the more than 7,500 University of Wisconsin–Madison students who will be moving into university residence halls. The big move-in days are Saturday, Aug. 26; Tuesday, Aug. 29; Wednesday, Aug. 30; and Thursday, Aug. 31. Students are welcome to move in anytime after 8 a.m. on their assigned move-in day. Traffic around all residence halls will be extremely busy, and all lots near residence halls will be used for temporary unloading.

WRS CONTRIBUTION RATES TO DECREASE IN 2018

The Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) has announced that contributions paid by Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) employees will decrease for most UW–Madison employees effective Jan. 1, 2018. WRS contribution rates are set and adjusted annually. According to ETF, the 2018 rate changes are primarily due to higher favorable WRS Trust Fund investment performance. Contribution rates for UW–Madison employees are determined by WRS employment category. For general employees, the contribution decreases from 2017’s 6.8 percent each from employee and employer, to 6.7 percent from each in 2018.

AUG. 28 EVENT HONORS THE MARCH ON WASHINGTON

The Office of University Staff invites all employees to commemorate the 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom on Aug. 28 from 11:30 p.m.–12:30 a.m. at Union South Varsity Hall. The event is scheduled at a convenient time for second and third shift workers, but everyone is welcome to attend, including members of the public. Complimentary food and beverages will be provided.