From blood pressure guidelines to national anthem protests, Tulane experts make headlines

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Video transcript:

From blood pressure guidelines to national anthem protests, Tulane experts made national news for a number of topics. Here’s the latest Tulane News in Review.

The Soul Queen of New Orleans is now a doctor. Tulane awarded Grammy-winner Irma Thomas an honorary doctorate at the Unified Commencement Ceremony, and the doctor rewarded the crowd with a song. NPR and its affiliates around the country aired the story.

Tulane geophysics professor Cindy Ebinger and anthropology graduate student Davette Gadison helped search for a mass grave in Thibodaux, Louisiana. The Associated Press reported the story, which was picked up by the New York Times, and dozens of other news outlets around the country.

Tulane sports law program director Gabe Feldman talked to the Washington Post about the NFL and anthem protests. News outlets including the Chicago Tribune and San Francisco Chronicle shared the story.

Epidemiologist Jiang He examined the impact of lower blood pressure guidelines, research reported by Reuters, Health Day, WebMD, and more.

Cardiologist Dr. Keith Ferdinand spoke with the American Medical Association about tackling high blood pressure in black men.

And Healio featured Dr. Vivian Fonseca in a video about blood pressure and type 2 diabetes.

Vox cited research by Tulane economist Patrick Button in a story about companies like Facebook and Amazon that are being accused of posting targeted job ads that screen out older workers.

Vox also used findings by economist Nora Lustig in a story about fighting poverty in the developing world.

Two Tulane dermatologists made national news: Dr. Erin Boh spoke with Reader’s Digest about sunburn myths that are damaging your skin. And Dr. Patricia Farris told Allure what to eat for healthier, stronger hair.


Health.com talked to Tulane urologist Dr. Laith Alzweri about Peyronie’s Disease.

PBS NewsHour interviewed visiting fellow Margarita Lopez Maya about the election in Venezuela.

Tulane researcher Eduardo Ortiz-Juarez spoke with Ozy about equality in El Salvador.

Finally, Fast Company included two-time National Book Award winner and Tulane’s own Jesmyn...
Ward in a wrap up of the best advice from this year’s commencement speeches.

That’s all for Tulane News in Review. Thanks for watching!