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Welcome to another edition of Tulane News in Review. Here are the Tulane experts and stories making national news.

Associate professor of creative writing Jesmyn Ward was named a 2017 MacArthur fellow.

The [Associated Press](#), [New York Times](#), [Washington Post](#), [CBS News](#), [NPR](#), [Huffington Post](#), [Christian Science Monitor](#), [The Guardian](#) and other news sites all highlighted Ward's MacArthur win.

[Huffington Post](#) talked to political scientist Rosalind Blanco Cook as New Orleans prepares to elect its first woman mayor.

That's sociologist David Smilde talking to [NPR](#) about Venezuela. He was also quoted in the [New York Times](#), [Wall Street Journal](#) and [Bloomberg](#).

The [Washington Post](#) featured assistant professor of critical race studies Mohan Ambikaipaker in a story about the Hindu New Year, Diwali.

Trauma expert Charles Figley talked to the Associated Press, a story picked up by news outlets including the [Los Angeles Times](#) and [Baltimore Sun](#).

[MarketWatch](#) spoke with Economist Patrick Button about aging in America.

Gabe Feldman, director of Tulane's Sports Law Program, talked to NFL.com about [Colin Kaepernick](#) and [Ezekiel Elliot](#).

Tulane is paying it forward by offering a tuition-free semester to students enrolled at Puerto Rican colleges. The story was picked up by [Fortune](#), [The Hill](#), [Teen Vogue](#), [Inside Higher Ed](#), [Yahoo](#) and more. It was also shared by hundreds of people, including Lin Manuel Miranda and Jeb Bush, on social media.

[Forbes](#) interviewed University Professor of History Walter Isaacson about innovation and Leonardo da Vinci

And [Expedia](#) featured Tulane as one of their 14 most beautiful college campuses.

Check back soon for the next Tulane News in Review. Thanks for watching.