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➔ #OlinLove Stories

Hi, everyone! DFAR student assistant Mica Chiang '19 here. I loved seeing everyone's posts about why you love Olin or why you love the person you are with! I thought Scott Stacy (husband of Sylvie '07) and Geeta Gubba '13 shared two of the sweetest Olin alumni stories.



Click on the pictures above to read their stories!

Both stories show how relationships can form through Olin and result in a lifetime of happiness. Hope everyone had a great Valentine's Day!

➔ Olin Receives \$6 Million Grant

The Chronicle of Philanthropy recently recognized Olin for **receiving a \$6 million grant** from the Kern Family Foundation to build our innovative capacity by supporting five faculty members as well as staff and program development. To learn more about the grant, click [here](#).

➔ See What Olin Students are Creating Now!

Olin students are innovating some amazing vehicles and products that will impact our oceans, educate children in India and Ghana about optics, and develop and create electric and off-road vehicles. They are working hard but your support will ensure their success.

Congrats to...

...Ellen Chisa '10 for being **highlighted** in Boston, **again!**

...Phil Dirkse '11 for being quoted on the **Maker Movement** in education.

...Nate Smith '07 for securing \$20 million in **funding for Lever**.

Upcoming Events

2/19 - 2/20
Candidates' Weekend I for Class of 2020

2/20
Powerchords @ ICCA Quarterfinals, 7 - 9 pm
81 Highland Ave.
Somerville, MA

2/26- 2/27
Candidates' Weekend II

2/26 - 2/28
FWOP Spring Production:
Twelfth Night

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Opening Art Reception:
Helen Meyrowitz

3/4 - 3/5
Candidates' Weekend III

Check out Olin's crowdfunding site at Fundit.Olin.edu to learn more about these amazing projects and keep coming back for progress and updates as more projects will become active in the next few weeks. The current project names and their projected launch dates are below.*

- Olin Robotic Sailing (active as of Feb. 11)
- ADE: BrightBox Project (launching March 1)
- Olin Baja (launching by March 1)
- Olin REVO (launching by March 1)

*If you don't want to wait until a project launches, you can give now at Giving.Olin.edu. Select the student project you'd like to support and your gift will help fund it!

➔ Featured on The Wire

Fresh off [The Wire](#): Oliners got into the SuperBowl spirit with [this Broncos logo](#), printed using a "polar printing press" created by a Principles of Engineering team.



The Wire also recently sat down for a [conversation with Charles Fadel](#), the founder and chairman of the Center for Curriculum Redesign (CCR). Fadel shared insights on the missing component in education, and how educators can make a more immediate difference in their classrooms.

➔ Webinar on Curriculum Innovation

Mark your calendars! Another webinar in the series of campus developments for parents and alumni will be held March 9 from 7 - 7:30 pm. Olin professors Rob Martello and Mark Somerville will present on two innovative new courses, Chemistry in Context and Quantitative Engineering Analysis. More details to follow in other communications and on the Facebook [event page](#).

➔ Special Film Screening

Olin will host a special screening of the film [Beyond Measure](#) by director Vicki Abeles on March 10 at 6:30 pm. The film features innovative schools from around the country, including Olin, that are breaking away from an outmoded, test-driven culture to create empowering, student-centered learning environments. The event is free and open to the public, but [registration is required](#).

➔ A Few Minutes with...

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Webinar on Curriculum Innovation

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[Film Screening and Panel](#) at Olin: Beyond Measure

What's New in DFAR?

The Development, Family and Alumni Relations Office has moved!

If you are on campus and looking for us, you can now find us on the second floor of Milas Hall.

Spring Town Meeting

Hear President Miller provide an update on recent developments at Olin and take questions from the audience.



Alumni @ Career Fair

Thanks to Laura Christakis '11, Andrew Pikler '12, Sam Freilich '08, Luis Rayas '14, Raghu Rangan '10, Matt Wootton '09 and other alumni who returned to campus for the Spring Career Fair!

Save the Date!

[Alumni Weekend](#) is **September 16 - 18, 2016!**

Planning for the weekend is underway, but you can still get involved in creating

In Olin's newest video series, "**A Few Minutes with...**," Olin faculty members Robert Martello and Jessica Townsend discuss the partnership between Olin and The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP).



Future topics will include curriculum innovation, Olin's institutional partnerships, and other developments to keep you in the know!

a great weekend.

Contact **Alumni Relations** to find out more.

Hear from Students

Check out the **OLINSIDER** for the scoop on life at Olin as well as the **PGP BLOG** for students' personal and professional adventures.



Audrey Lewis '19 talks about how Olin's small size impacts the large responsibilities taken on by **the first-year students**.



PGP Director Sally Phelps caught up with Graham Hooton '14 to discuss his work **aiding Syrian refugees**.

➔ Save the Date: March 25 Bay Area Event

The DFAR office will be hosting a Bay Area Alumni, Family & Friends event on the evening of March 25 in San Francisco with a special guest/keynote speaker. Details to follow. Learn more and RSVP through our Facebook **event page**.

➔ '06 - '10s, Participate in Harvard Study

Researchers are interested in your views on the college experience as an official graduate of Olin. Participation = hour-long interview (Skype or in-person) and in appreciation receive (your choice) either a \$50 Amazon gift card or a \$50 donation card to DonorsChoose (supports classroom project needs in public schools across the country).

If interested, please contact **Jeff Robinson** by March 2.



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