

# Marquette University: June briefing

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## **MARQUETTE BRIEFING** June 2021

*A monthly update from Marquette University's Office of Marketing and Communication*

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### **June is PTSD Awareness Month**

[Dr. Paul Gasser](#), associate professor of biomedical sciences, is an expert on post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, anxiety and stress and the brain. Marquette also has experts available on related topics from both [mental health](#) and [neuroscience](#) standpoints.

[Dr. Iqbal Ahamed](#) and [Dr. Praveen Madiraju](#) of the Department of Computer Science, are co-PI's of a multidisciplinary team of researchers from Marquette and the Medical College of Wisconsin that has collaborated with [Dryhootch](#) to develop the

Quick Reaction Force app. It is a technological-mediated system that enables veterans to answer a short survey at regular intervals and provides mentors with a visual-graph of the mental health status of the veteran based on a computational metric called PTSD checklist.

## **Around campus**

### *Timely and evergreen stories from Marquette University*

- 47% of critical care nurses reported being at risk for PTSD due to the effects of working in the ICU during the COVID-19 pandemic according to research presented by [Dr. Jill Guttormson](#), associate professor of nursing, at the [American Thoracic Society 2021 International Conference](#). In a survey of 488 U.S. critical care nurses, 44.6% of respondents reported symptoms of moderate to severe depression and 31% moderate to severe anxiety. [\[Abstract\]](#)
- There are 70,000-110,00 autistic individuals turning 18 every year in the United States, and at least half of those students are college-ready. However, there are only a limited number of four-year universities with programs to support these unique students. Marquette's [On Your Marq](#) program is a college success program designed to assist students on the autism spectrum – also known as neurodiverse students – in navigating the college landscape.
  - Entering its third year, the On Your Marq program has doubled the number of students enrolled in the program from the first year and are expecting similar growth in fall 2021. The program boasts a 100% retention rate: every enrolled student is on track to graduate with their class and no students are on academic probation.
- Early 1960s alumni of the Diederich College of Communication have joined together to publish a book of essays sharing their experiences in journalism, their time at Marquette, and how their experiences bind them together, even though their careers have taken them in many different directions. The idea for “Linked by Ink” came about during a 1961 class reunion via Zoom in 2020 and features alumni from a wide spectrum of journalism positions covering politics, sports, fashion, advertising, protests, local, state, national and international news.

## Events on Campus

June 11 (virtual): '[Cyber Risks, Trends, Predictions](#)' panel hosted by the Center for Cyber Security Awareness and Cyber Defense

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