**WELCOME BACK!**

The spring semester has sprung! The department of Geography wishes you a happy new year.

We also want to extend a friendly reminder to all students, staff, and faculty that wearing a face mask over mouth, nose, and chin is **strongly encouraged** in classrooms and all other indoor spaces on-campus.

**DEPARTMENT NEWS**

In the Winter 2021-2022 Iowa Magazine, our very own **Adam Skibbe** (senior GIS administrator) was featured alongside **Stratis Giannakouros** (director of the Office of Sustainability and the Environment) in “Crash Course: An Intro to Green Research at Iowa” (pg.7) and the **Solving the Grand Challenges of Sustainability** course.

**RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES**

If you are an undergraduate or graduate student interested in a paid research opportunity, the Department of Geographical and Sustainability Sciences is accepting applications for an undergraduate research opportunity conducting image processing and geometric correction, as well as a research opportunity for graduate students, in collaboration with the Tippie College of Business, conducting deep learning using neural networks to predict the spatial distribution of environmental attributes based on remote sensing and ancillary data. If you are interested in applying for these opportunities, please contact Adrian Sandersfeld via email at adrian-sandersfeld@iowa.edu or Professor Marc Linderman at marc-linderman@uiowa.edu.
EVENTS AND INFO SESSIONS

Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend all University of Iowa–sponsored events. If you are a person with a disability who requires a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in this program, please contact Heath Davis in advance at (319) 384-5409 or heather-davis@uiowa.edu.

We Are Hawkeyes: Celebrating 175 Years of Student Life | Main Library
We Are Hawkeyes presents snippets of the student experience at Iowa from throughout the university's history and features a sampling of historical documents and objects from the University Archives and Iowa Women's Archives. The exhibit explores the Iowa Memorial Union as a center of activity, the performing arts as a source of vibrancy, and military service and Greek life as time-honored traditions. Decades of student publications and glimpses of social and political activism are seen throughout, demonstrating the diversity of student voices on campus. Visit the Events Calendar or Main Library website for the gallery’s open hours schedule.

Iowa City Undergarment Drive | Shelter House
On behalf of Green Iowa AmeriCorps, Shelter House will be hosting an Undergarment Drive. They are looking for community members to donate socks, underwear, undershirts, and thermal underwear, in all sizes (adults, toddler, children, adult plus-sizes). All donations will benefit the Shelter House and Open Heartland. Donations are being accepted until January 21st. Please contact 319-339-5399 to arrange for a pick up.

INTERNSHIPS & JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- The Grundy County IT/GIS Department is accepting applications for a GIS/IT Assistant. Education and/or experience in GIS is essential. Applications close February 11, 2022. For more information including job description and application, visit: grundycountyiowa.gov/images/pdf/announcements/Help_Wanted_IT-GIS-2022.pdf

- The Metropolitan Planning Organization of Johnson County (MPOJC) is looking to hire an intern. As per an agreement between the MPO and UIowa Cambus, interns hired by the MPO become employees of Cambus. Due to this agreement, the MPO’s Internships are only available to registered students of the University of Iowa. Applications are due by January 28. The start date for this position is in February 2022. All candidates must be enrolled students at the University of Iowa for the Spring 2022 semester for their applications to be considered. For more information on this position, visit: clas.uiowa.edu/geography/metropolitan-planning-intern-iowa-city-ia
Career Advising via Pomerantz Career Center

- The Pomerantz Career Center at C310 PC is open for drop-in peer advising Monday—Thursday between the hours of 10am and 2pm only, with Zoom appointments available via MyUI.

- Employers post open positions on Handshake for internships and full-time job opportunities for students of all degree levels.

Writing Assistance Available via the Writing Center

- The Writing Center is fully online and available to all students, faculty, and staff. They can provide feedback on any kind of writing—from reading responses, course papers, capstone projects, and theses to cover letters, emails, scholarship applications, and creative projects.

- Use the Online Feedback button to upload a piece of writing and get written comments and suggestions on it, allowing at least two business days for a response.

UI Service Center

- The UI Service Center is open and available to help students with a multitude of tasks including: changing registration, checking on the progress of scholarship submissions, graduation services, transcripts and verifications, ID card programs, billing, and loan collections.

- The Service Center strongly encourages you to schedule an appointment through MyUI using the “Advising Appointment” feature and selecting the Service Center before your in-person visit.

University Virtual Counseling Service Programs

- The University Counseling Service is still offering several programs to help students virtually.

- Let’s Talk Hawks! consultations are a weekly drop-in service that provides students the opportunity to have informal, confidential, and anonymous conversations with a UCS therapist. No appointment is needed; these services are offered on a first come, first serve basis.

- The Solidarity Support Group is a safe space for students of color to talk about concerns, share experiences, and stay connected with one another and the other UI communities. They meet between 12:30pm-1:20pm on Friday afternoons.

- Other UCS programming can be found here.

Other Campus Resources

- Office of Teaching, Learning & Technology Resources

- ITS Student Resources & Services

- GIS Library Research Guide

- Ulowa COVID Spring 2022 Guidelines