**DEPARTMENT NEWS**

Happy Halloween! With October soon coming to an end, it’s time to look forward to Geography Week and GIS day. Every year, Geography Awareness Week is observed during the third week of November and GIS day is celebrated in the middle of it, on the third Wednesday. Faculty and staff organizing events for Geography Awareness Week and GIS day are encouraged to email event details to adrian.sandersfeld@iowa.edu.

**KOHN COLLOQUIUM**

This week’s Colloquium will host Joseph Ewoodzie, Jr., an Associate Professor of Sociology at Davidson College in North Carolina. Dr. Ewoodzie will be presenting on *Getting Something to Eat in Jackson: Race, Class, and Food in The American South*.

Joseph Ewoodzie Jr. spent more than a year following a group of socioeconomically diverse African Americans—from upper-middle class patrons of the city’s fine-dining restaurants to men experiencing homelessness who must organize their days around the schedules of soup kitchens. He went food shopping, cooked, and ate with a young mother living in poverty and a grandmother working two jobs. He worked in a Black-owned BBQ restaurant, and he met a man who decided to become a vegan for health reasons but must drive across town to get tofu and quinoa. He learned about how soul food is changing and why it is no longer a staple survival food. Now he presents his findings to show how food choices influenced, and are influenced by, the racial and class identity of Black Jacksonians.

On Friday, October 29th, join Joseph Ewoodzie Jr. in Room 15 of Schaeffer Hall from 3:30pm to 5:00pm for this Race Workshop, sponsored by the Department of Sociology and the Department of Geographical and Sustainability Sciences. If you are interested in attending this workshop virtually, please contact Silvia Secchi at silvia-secchi@uiowa.edu to inquire about Zoom arrangements.

**CALENDAR**

- **OCT 29**
  - Faculty Meeting
    - 11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
  - Kohn Colloquium
    - Race Workshop with Joseph Ewoodzie, Jr. at 3:30 P.M. in 15 SH

**HAVE UPDATES TO SHARE?**

Send news items, information on thesis defenses, awards, publications, events, and more to adrian-sandersfeld@uiowa.edu by 1:00 P.M. each Tuesday to have them featured in the upcoming Geography Weekly newsletter.
COLLOQUIUM: JOSEPH EWOODZIE, JR.

Race Workshop with Joseph Ewoodzie, Jr. | continued from front
Demonstrating how "foodways"—food availability, choice, and consumption—vary greatly between classes of African Americans in Jackson, Mississippi, and how this reflects and shapes their very different experiences of a shared racial identity, Ewoodzie offers new insights into the lives of Black Southerners and helps challenge the persistent homogenization of blackness in American life. The phrase "you are what you eat" gains new poignance in this fascinating, mouth-watering study. Join us on October 29th in 15 SH at 3:30pm for this Race Workshop.

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.

Net Impact Discussion with Garik Himebaugh | Virtual Event
Today, October 27th, join Net Impact and the Office of Sustainability for a Net Impact discussion with Garik Himebaugh, who will be talking about his journey as an entrepreneur while starting his business, Eco-Stylist. In addition to his business, Garik will be talking about the sustainability aspect to his business and the fashion industry. For more information, visit the Events Calendar.

Microbiology and Immunology Seminar | Virtual Event
On November 1st at 10am, Dr. Ryan Zander, PhD is presenting a Microbiology and Immunology Seminar in Seebohm Conference Room of Eckstein Medical Research Building on T Follicular Helper cell-derived IL-21 supports Effector CD8 T cell differentiation during chronic viral infection. For more information, visit the Events Calendar.

21st Annual Iowa Organics Conference | Iowa Memorial Union
The Iowa State University Organic Agriculture Program’s 21st Annual Organic Conference will be held on the Sunday, November 28th and Monday, November 29th in the Iowa Memorial Union at the University of Iowa. Early Registration is $100 and late registration (after Nov. 16) is $120. For more information, visit the Iowa Organics Conference website.
Opportunities

GET INVOLVED WITH ICIGO

The Iowa Community Integrated Geography Organization (ICIGO) is a student organization within the Geography and Sustainability Sciences Department that utilizes experiences and skills gained in the classroom to support projects focused on sustainability statewide and in the local community.

The benefits of joining include: hands-on experience with GIS applications, web content design, visualizations, and spatial analyses, the opportunity to manage projects and be a team player with people of varying types and levels of skills, collaborating and networking with non-profit organizations, completing projects for use in a future portfolio and résumé, glean unique spatial perspectives on your own academic disciplines and more.

The group requires 2-3 hours of participation per week and participation in regular meetings. Interested undergraduates willing to commit a few hours to real-world GIS projects for credit, get hands-on experience, and get involved should contact Adam Skibbe, our GIS Administrator, at adam-skibbe@uiowa.edu or visit the ICIGO website for more information.

JOB OPENINGS

- The Polk County Auditor’s Office is currently looking for qualified candidates for its Property Description Clerk position. Starting salary is $44,369 annually plus benefits including medical, dental and vision insurance, IPERS, deferred compensation and more. Apply at https://bit.ly/3BbAPQN. The application submission deadline is November 2.

- The City of Waukee is currently looking for qualified candidates for its GIS Technician position. Under the general direction of the GIS Coordinator, performs work relating to the development, implementation and maintenance of the City of Waukee’s geographic information systems. Assists in the development, coordination and training of city staff related to various components of the GIS maps, data sets, applications, information files, etc. Apply at https://bit.ly/3nywFgO.

- The Arizona Department of Water Resources is currently seeking to hire a full-time GIS Developer. The ideal candidate is a highly motivated individual who learns new technologies quickly, stays abreast of technology changes, takes the initiative to propose improvements, gives effective technical presentations, and thrives in a highly collaborative environment. Learn more and apply at https://bit.ly/2ZradhU.
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 Fall 2021 Guidelines