A PUBLIC HEALTH REMINDER

To protect the health of our campus and community, all University of Iowa students, faculty, and staff are strongly encouraged to get vaccinated against COVID-19 and continue wearing face masks, especially in indoor settings. Additional information regarding Fall 2021 guidelines can be found at coronavirus.uiowa.edu/fall-2021.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

The degree applications deadline for graduate students is fast-approaching! Remember to submit your application by 11:59pm on October 1st to avoid paying a late fee.

Final Exam requests are due for all December graduates by October 12th—please contact Angie Bellew regarding necessary paperwork at angela-bellew@uiowa.edu.

This Friday’s Kohn Colloquium is being held via Zoom at 3:30pm U.S. Central Time. This week’s Colloquium will provide an open forum for graduate students and faculty to discuss ongoing challenges and opportunities that face the department Contact Susan Meerdink at susan-meerdink@uiowa.edu to request a link.

SEEKING DEI REPRESENTATIVE

The Geography department is looking for an undergraduate student to serve on the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee that the department has established. The committee meets for approximately 1 hour every other week. Other members in attendance at these meetings include faculty and graduate students in the department. A particular focus of the DEI committee this semester is establishing transparency and accountability for student and faculty behavior in classroom settings and advocating for similar policies in the college. If this is an opportunity which interests you, please email Dr. Carrel at margaret-carrel@uiowa.edu to express your interest in joining the committee.

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 next Geography Weekly newsletter.

CALENDAR

| SEP 10  | Kohn Colloquium at 3:30 P.M. via Zoom |
| SEP 10  | Brown Bag Meeting 11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. via Zoom |
| SEP 23  | Attendance Lists Due Fall 2021 Attendance Class Lists are due by 5:00 P.M. in MAUI |
| OCT 01  | Graduate Degree Application Deadline at 11:59 P.M. |
EVENTS AND INFO SESSIONS

EES Friday Seminar: Dr. Bill McClelland | Trowbridge Hall
On Friday, September 10 at 3:30 pm, the Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences’ weekly Friday speaker will be University of Iowa professor Dr. Bill McClelland, speaking on “The ‘Taters versus Sliders controversy and its impact on models for the tectonic evolution of the circum-Arctic region” as part of the EES Geoscience Seminar Series. The seminar will be offered in person at Trowbridge Hall, in room 125, and via Zoom.

3 Minute Thesis Workshop: Pitching Your Research | Main Library
Quickly learn skills from a 3 Minute Thesis presentation that can also be used to win grants, sell ideas, & network professionally. Register at bit.ly/3MTWorkshops21 and join 3MT for the workshop on Friday, September 10, 2021 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm in LIB 1022 TILE classroom at the Main Library.

Course Design Series: Sustainability | English-Philosophy Building
Preparing to submit a course for the new Sustainability Gen Ed. requirement? This semester-long series will provide hands-on support in the process of (re-)designing a course. Participants will connect with other faculty members and learn from special guests who will provide insight into teaching about sustainability. Meetings of this series will be held from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm on September 10th, September 24th, October 15th, October 22nd, and November 5th in room 102 (TILE classroom) of the English-Philosophy Building.

Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship | Virtual Info Session
Join University of Iowa International Programs for a virtual info session to discuss the process of applying for a Gilman Scholarship. Applications are currently being accepted for Spring and Summer 2022. Upcoming info sessions are meeting on the following dates: Wednesday, September 8 (1:30pm – 2:30pm), and Friday, September 10 (1pm – 2pm). For more information, visit the Events Calendar page.

Discover Study Abroad | Virtual Info Session
Would you like to study abroad during your time at the University of Iowa, but don’t know where to start? Attend one of the weekly Virtual Discover Study Abroad info sessions to learn how study abroad works and find the right international opportunity for you! Sessions are offered weekly on Tuesdays (at 12:30pm) and Fridays (at 11am). Email study-abroad@uiowa.edu with the date of the session (ex. September 3) you wish to attend and your University ID number to receive a confirmation email with the Zoom link.
GEOSPATIAL JOB OPENINGS

Schneider Geospatial is accepting applications for open GIS Specialist and GIS Technician positions in Ankeny and Indianapolis. Apply online via the Schneider Geospatial Careers portal or by following the links available on the front page of the Geography & Sustainability Studies website, under Resources, in Jobs & Internships.

Ducks Unlimited has job opportunities available for individuals with GIS and natural resource experience. They are hiring a full-time conservation GIS Intern to work with GIS professionals from their offices in Dexter, Michigan. Application details can be found in their online job listing or on the Geography & Sustainability Studies website.

GET INVOLVED WITH ICIGO

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, or visit the ICIGO website for more information.
Campus Resources

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**
- **UIowa COVID Fall 2021 Guidelines**