WELCOME BACK!
The UI Department of Geography & Sustainability Sciences wishes you a warm welcome back to campus for the Spring 2023 semester.

DEPARTMENT NEWS
- PhD student Hoeyun Kwon was recently spotlighted by University of Iowa’s ‘Dare To’ campaign! A banner featuring Hoeyun can be found outside the Englert theater on East Washington Street, downtown. Read Hoeyun’s interview with Dare To Research at dare.research.uiowa.edu/kwon-hoeyun.
- PhD student Matthew Little will be defending his dissertation proposal, “Ecological restoration potential, wildlife movement corridor planning, and climate scenario resilience of restored movement corridors and reserves in Iowa, USA” on Friday, January 20th, at 9am in 221 Jessup Hall.

REMINDERS
- There will be an Executive Session faculty meeting on Friday, January 20th at 11:30 in the Fishbowl conference room, located in 327 Jessup Hall.
- There is a DEI Committee meeting on Monday, January 30th at 2:30pm via Zoom.

KOHN COLLOQUIUM
There will be a meet-and-greet Kohn session on Friday, January 20th, at 3:30pm in the Geography department atrium/foyer (3rd floor of Jessup Hall). Contact Marc Linderman via email at marc-linderman@uiowa.edu with questions regarding Kohn Colloquium.

HAVE UPDATES TO SHARE?
Send news items, information on thesis defenses, awards, publications, events, and more to adrian-sandersfeld@uiowa.edu by 1:00 PM each Tuesday to have them featured in the upcoming Geography Weekly newsletter.
**EVENTS ON AND OFF CAMPUS**

**TA Open House** | The Stanley Museum of Art welcomes Graduate Teaching Assistants for an Open House on Thursday, Jan. 19 from 4 to 5 PM. Stop by the museum to see how you can integrate art into your instruction this semester! After the Open House, stick around and enjoy light refreshments at the Stanley Campus Council Social, 5 to 6 PM.

**Write at the Stanley** | Join us monthly to generate new creative writing inspired by works in the Stanley collection. Each session will be led by a different talented writer from our area, who will be offering a new prompt and a new approach to ekphrastic writing (writing inspired by visual art). Bring your own notebook and pencil or computer and leave with the beginning of a newly written piece. Co-sponsored by Iowa City Poetry. Writers in all genres are welcome. Write at the Stanley meets every fourth Sunday of the month. This month’s Write at the Stanley event will be held from 1 to 5 PM.

**Bijou Presents: Pride and Prejudice (2005)** | Join Bijou Film Board and UI English Society for our screening of Pride and Prejudice on January 24th at 7:00 PM at the Chauncey FilmScene location. Bijou Film Board is a nonprofit, student-run organization dedicated to the exhibition of independent, foreign, and classic cinema. We partner with organizations on campus and in the greater Iowa City community to bring special cinematic events to the University of Iowa, promoting film education and conversation.

**Social Responsibility in STEM** | This year’s annual STEM Celebration of the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will take place Wednesday, Jan. 25. Socializing with individually packaged refreshments will begin at 3 p.m., then the discussion panel will begin at 3:30 and go around an hour. This year’s discussion topic will be "Social Responsibility in STEM," with a focus on how this connects with teaching.

**Out & About: Queer Life in Iowa City** | On display now in the Main Library gallery: Out & About: Queer Life in Iowa City is an exhibition about some of the many LGBTQ+ people and organizations in Iowa City’s history. Across the decades, queer folks in Iowa City and at the University of Iowa have created spaces in which to gather, to find support, and build community. The exhibit invites exploration of the diverse and complex history of LGBTQ life through an Iowa City lens. This exhibit will be on display until June 30, 2023.

**Suspended: Systemic Oppression in Our Schools** | The African American Museum of Iowa's exhibition, “Suspended: Systemic Oppression in Our Schools,” will be on display in the 2nd Floor Rotunda at the Old Capitol Museum starting Jan. 18, 2023 through Aug. 31, 2023 with free admission during regular museum hours, Wednesday–Saturday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
**INTERNSHIPS & OPPORTUNITIES**

- Lakeside Laboratory in West Lake Okoboji is accepting paid internship applications until January 23rd, 2023. Read more and apply now at [iowalakesidelab.org](http://iowalakesidelab.org)!

- The United States Geological Survey (USGS) is accepting applications for paid student trainee positions in Mathematics & Statistics and Hydrology. Read more about these positions and their requirements and apply online via USA Jobs:
  - Student Trainee positions in Mathematics & Statistics: [usajobs.gov/job/692538900](http://usajobs.gov/job/692538900)
  - Student Trainee positions in Hydrology: [usajobs.gov/job/692156300](http://usajobs.gov/job/692156300)

- The Anna Beal Summer 2023 internship with The Nature Conservancy is accepting applications! This 11-week internship runs between May 22nd and August 4th, 2023. A $5,750 scholarship is available to accepted interns. Read more at [bit.ly/annabeal](http://bit.ly/annabeal) and apply for an internship position at [nature.org/careers](http://nature.org/careers) (job ID: 52597)

- The City of Dubuque is seeking a Conservation Assistant. Read more about this position and apply online via GovernmentJobs.

**JOIN ICIGO**

ICIGO is a student organization within the Department of Geographical and Sustainability Sciences that utilizes experiences and skills gained in the classroom to support projects focused on sustainability in the community and state. This semester ICIGO is excited to welcome new members with a background, or interest, in GIS, analytics, leadership, organization, and visualization.

The group requires 2-3 hours of participation a week and participation in regular meetings and no prior GIS knowledge is required to join. Contact the Geography Department’s senior GIS administrator, Adam Skibbe at [adam-skibbe@uiowa.edu](mailto:adam-skibbe@uiowa.edu) to get started!

**ADMITTED STUDENT DAYS**

Interested in talking about your major or research areas to new students? GSS departmental graduate students and current undergrads are welcome to participate in the Geographical and Sustainability Studies info sessions for newly-admitted University of Iowa students. These info sessions will take place between 10:45 AM and 12:00 PM in 221 JH on February 20th and on March 3rd, 24th, and 31st, 2023. You’ll have the opportunity to talk about classes you enjoy, undergraduate or graduate research projects, the skills you’ve learned in GIS courses, and more with prospective GSS undergrads.

Email [adrian-sandersfeld@uiowa.edu](mailto:adrian-sandersfeld@uiowa.edu) to indicate interest.
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.
- 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 2023 Guidelines