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# Geography Weekly

## DEPARTMENT NEWS

- Professor Caglar Koylu was [elected Vice President of the Cartography and Geographic Information Society \(CaGIS\)](#). Congratulations, Dr. Koylu!
- Graduate student Samuel Taylor recently joined the department. Welcome, Sam!

## REMINDERS

- There will be an Executive Session faculty meeting on Friday, January 27th 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.
- Degree applications, for graduate students anticipating graduation in May 2023, are due by 11:59 PM on February 24th.

## KOHN COLLOQUIUM

This week's Kohn Colloquium will be covering Research Communication Fundamentals with Dr. Lisa Kelly and will be held in-person in 219 JH at 3:30 PM.

This exciting in-person workshop draws on improv and theatre techniques to improve your research communication skills, increase your comfort in front of audiences, and help you gain confidence. You will learn techniques to pitch your research to broad audiences and to respond to questions about your work. Students who participate in this workshop may also be interested in joining our bi-monthly grad student Improv for Communication series to practice skills.

If you have questions regarding Kohn Colloquium, contact Marc Linderman via email at [marc-linderman@uiowa.edu](mailto:marc-linderman@uiowa.edu).

## CALENDAR

JAN  
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**Executive Session  
Faculty Meeting**  
*Fishbowl | 11:30 AM*

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**Kohn Colloquium**  
*219 JH | 3:30 PM*

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**DEI Committee**  
*Zoom | 2:30 PM*

## HAVE UPDATES TO SHARE?

Send news items, information on thesis defenses, awards, publications, events, and more to [adrian-sandersfeld@uiowa.edu](mailto: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

[Green Corps Info Session](#) | If you are interested in joining Green Corps, a virtual information session will be held Thursday, January 26th, at 3:00 PM (US Central Time). Read more about Green Corps on [their website](#) and access the Zoom join link on [the Events Page](#).

[Nachte Raho 2023](#) | The University of Iowa's Indian Student Alliance proudly presents its Bollywood Fusion dance competition, Nachte Raho. This is an elite competition challenging top selected eight teams from across the nation to showcase a blend of Indian dance styles with western styles and music. The competition will take place Saturday, Jan. 28 at 6:30 p.m. CST (Doors will open at 6 p.m.) at Hancher Auditorium.

[Lunar New Year Celebration](#) | Happy new semester from ILSA! Did you know the beginning of the semester coincides with Lunar New Year, which is celebrated in several countries? Lunar New Year is an important family reunion occasion and food is a crucial part of the Lunar New Year Celebration. Come join ILSA to celebrate the Lunar New Year and enjoy authentic Chinese cuisine. Must RSVP with [xiaotong-kong@uiowa.edu](mailto:xiaotong-kong@uiowa.edu). The lunch will take place in the 4th Floor Lounge of Boyd Law Building on January 27th from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM.

[Bijou After Hours Presents: Harold and Maude \(1971\)](#) | Bijou Film Board is a non-profit, student-run organization dedicated to the exhibition of independent, foreign, and classic cinema. After Hours is our catch-all film series which is dedicated to cult classics, genre films, and recent releases. Prizes are given out before the film begins at every After Hours screening! All Bijou programming is FREE for UI students and \$7 for the general public, screened at FilmScene (at the Chauncey) at 404 E College St. at 10:00 PM.

[Alex Kelsh Trio at the Stanley](#) | Come visit the Stanley Art Museum lobby to enjoy the smooth sounds of Alexander Kelsh (saxophone), Askar Khaetov (bass), and James Dreier (drums) on January 29th at 2:00 PM. Seating provided on a first come, first served basis.

## INTERNSHIPS & OPPORTUNITIES

- Work at Iowa Wildlife Camps! UI WILD is hiring seasonal camp instructors and camp coordinators for summer 2023. They hire undergrad and graduate students, teachers, and environmental educators to spend the summer teaching outdoor education. Learn more and apply online at [wild.education.uiowa.edu](http://wild.education.uiowa.edu).
- 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](https://usajobs.gov/job/692538900)
  - Student Trainee positions in Hydrology: [usajobs.gov/job/692156300](https://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](https://bit.ly/annabeal) and apply for an internship position at [nature.org/careers](https://nature.org/careers) (job ID: 52597)

## 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](#)