The newsletter is viewable on the department’s website (www.ksu.edu/geography). Note that links found in the newsletter will work if you go to the online version.

**On-Campus Speakers**

22 Jan (M) Kendra McLauchlan, Dartmouth: “Reconstructing human impacts on ecosystems from decades to millennia,” 2:30 pm, Union Little Theatre (Geography speaker).

23 Jan (T) Bin Gao, Cornell: “Colloid transport in the vadose zone: Impacts on groundwater quality,” 4 pm. 213 Thompson Hall (Geology Seminar).

29 Jan (M) Carlos Mena, Univ of North Carolina: “Deforestation and land use dynamics in the Ecuadorian Amazon: rates, drivers, and explicit models,” 4 pm, place TBA (Geography speaker).

30 Jan (T) Wei Jin, Kansas State: “Pattern changes in regional groundwater flow,” 4 pm. 213 Thompson Hall (Geology Seminar).

5 Feb (M) Anna Versluis, Clark: “We all live downstream: land change and flood vulnerability in a Haitian watershed,” 4 pm, place TBA (Geography speaker).

8 Feb (Th) Marcellus Caldus, Michigan State: “Theorizing land cover and land use change: the peasant economy of the Amazonian deforestation,” 4 pm, place TBA (Geography speaker).


**Telefund**

Geography’s scheduled telefund dates are Jan 22nd, & Jan 23rd. At least 6-8 people are needed each night. Please email Mitch Stimers (stimers@ksu.edu) if you can help out. Telefunders will meet at the University Foundation center at 5:30pm. This is important for departmental funding for student participation in meetings, costs of visiting speakers, student awards, & instructional needs. Help is greatly appreciated.

**K State Geographers’ Activities**

**Publications**


**Student Notices**

*Career and Employment Services* job questions session. Do you ever wonder: How to find a job? How much money you can make? What you should wear to work? What it’s like to be an intern? How to write a resume & cover letter? What employers have on-campus interviews? This will be on Wednesday, Jan 24th, noon-4:00pm in Holtz Hall.
**ESRI Opportunities.** ESRI, maker of ARC GIS software, has entry-level positions, summer internships, and student assistantships for the June Users Conference in San Diego (attend sessions in exchange for work at the conference). Go to [www.esri.com/careers](http://www.esri.com/careers) for more information.

**12th Annual Graduate Research Forum & the 4th Annual Capitol Research Summit.** The Graduate Research Forum will be held at the K-State Union on March 2, and will be open to both undergraduate & graduate students. The undergraduate session is scheduled during the morning & will only include oral presentations. The graduate poster presentation session will be on display all day, with the researchers present for judging from 11:30-1:30. The graduate oral presentation sessions will be held in the afternoon; the awards ceremony starts at 4 pm. Prizes will be awarded in each session with $150, $100, & $50 for the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place individuals, respectively. In addition to the chance for prizes, every participant will gain public speaking experience & an opportunity to share research with the public.

The Capitol Research Summit will be held at the Topeka Statehouse on March 15, & consists of research posters from Kansas State University, Wichita State University, & the University of Kansas. Timed to coincide with the Board of Regents' March meeting, graduate student presenters have the opportunity to meet with state legislators, the governor & the Board of Regents. Each selected presenter will be awarded $100 for their participation & will compete for the first place prize provided by KansasBio. This high profile event is enjoyable & is also a great addition to a graduate student's curriculum vitae.

For more information & access to the online submission forms for either event, please go to: [www.k-state.edu/grad/research](http://www.k-state.edu/grad/research).

**Global Vision International** is particularly interested in recruiting students from the fields of geology & geography for a research & exploration expedition in Patagonia. College credit is available with many North American Universities. The expedition combines conservation work with arduous physical challenges, exploring & trekking through untouched and unique habitats in Patagonia. There is a free careers abroad field work placement & job vacancy service for all former expedition members. See [www.gvi.usa.com/pages/projectDetail.asp?expedition=74](http://www.gvi.usa.com/pages/projectDetail.asp?expedition=74) for more information, or contact paul@gviusa.com. GVI offers a large range of jobs, internships & other field work placements in the fields of education, research, environmental management & wildlife research alongside its partner organizations in countries across the world, including mountain leader vacancies in Patagonia. More information is at [www.careersabroad.co.uk](http://www.careersabroad.co.uk).

**Websites**

Memoriam–Allan Pred: Obituary at [http://geography.berkeley.edu/PeopleHistory/faculty/AllanPred_InMemorium.html](http://geography.berkeley.edu/PeopleHistory/faculty/AllanPred_InMemorium.html)

Travel information–compare travel rates from a variety of internet sources through [www.kayak.com](http://www.kayak.com).

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