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Presentations

- Oct 2 **Tyra Olstad:** "Mountains, Islands and a Cave," 11:30 am. Seaton 164H (Brown Bag Talk)
- Oct 9 Dr. Milan Shrestha: "A Comparative Analysis of Land Fragmentation and Socioecological Gradients," 3:30 pm. Seaton 132.

Conference Presentations

Papers and Posters Presented at the 2009 AAG Great Plains-Rocky Mountain Division Meeting, 25-26 September, Utah State University, Logan, UT:

POSTER

Ramatoulaye Ndiaye, Kansas State University. "Geographic Information Science: Contribution to Understanding Salt and Sodium Affected Soils in the Senegal River Valley."

PAPERS BY CURRENT KSU FACULTY AND STUDENTS

Tyra Olstad, "An Island, a Forest, and my Island in the Forest: Experiencing Terrae Incognitae."

Brandon Haddock, "Rough and Ready: Expectations of Gender and Sexual Identity in Rural Kansas."

John Harrington, Jr., "Ecological Climatology."

Lis Pankl, "Evocative Landscapes in David Guterson's East of the Mountains."

PAPERS BY ALUMNI OF KSU GEOGRAPHY

Johnny Coomansingh, Minot State University. "Old Places, and New Spaces of the White American Woman: Interpretations from the Ladies Home Journal."

John Patrick Harty, University of Wyoming. "A Lasting Legacy: The Permanence of Paul Bunyan and Blue Ox Features on the Landscape."

Jason Holcomb, Morehead State University. "Agricultural Labor and the H2-A Visa: The Case of Custom Harvesting."

Events and Things of Note

Here is the updated (upcoming) schedule for Geography Colloquia this semester and beyond, as best we know it at this time:

Friday, 23 October, 3:30pm, 132 Seaton, Dr. Steven Kale (SR Kale Consulting): "Regional and Local Social Movements toward Renewable Energy Development and Energy Self-Sufficiency in Marginal Areas of the Pacific Northwest."

Friday, 6 November, 3:30pm, 132 Seaton: **Dr. Chuck Martin**.

Friday, 14 November, 3:30pm, 132 Seaton: **Dr. Lisa M.B. Harrington**.

Friday, 20 November, 3:30pm, UN Big 12 Room: Dr. Barney Warf (KU Geography).

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Friday, 19 February, 3:30pm, UN Big 12 Room: Dr. Katie Algeo (Western Kentucky Geography & Geology).

Date and Time TBA, Dr. Kam Lulla (NASA).

Friday, 26 March, 3:30pm, UN Big 12 Room: Dr. John Agnew (UCLA).

Thursday, 8 April, time & location TBA: Fausto Sarmiento (Univ. of Georgia Geography).

Thursday, 29 April, time & location TBA: GTU/Geography Annual Spring Banquet.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC SUMMER INSTITUTES FOR U.S. GRADUATE STUDENTS 2010 APPLICATION NOW OPEN

(Link: www.nsf.org)

The National Science Foundation (NSF) East Asia and Pacific Summer Institutes for U.S. Graduate Students (EAPSI) is a flagship international fellowship program for developing the next generation of globally-engaged U.S. scientists and engineers knowledgeable about the Asian and Pacific regions. The Summer Institutes are hosted by foreign counterparts committed to increasing opportunities for young U.S. researchers to work in research facilities and with host mentors abroad. Fellows are supported to participate in eight-week research experiences at host laboratories in Australia, China, Japan (10 weeks), Korea, New Zealand, Singapore and Taiwan from June to August. The program provides a

\$5,000 summer stipend, round-trip airfare to the host location, living expenses abroad, and an introduction to the society, culture, language, and research environment of the host location.

The 2010 application is now open and will close December 8, 2009. Application instructions are available online at www.nsf.gov/eapsi . For further information concerning benefits, eligibility, and tips on applying, applicants are encouraged to visit www.nsf.gov/eapsi or [www.nsf.gov](http://www.nsf.gov/eapsi) .

NSF recognizes the importance of enabling U.S. researchers and educators to advance their work through international collaborations and the value of ensuring that future generations of U.S. scientists and engineers gain professional experience beyond this nation's borders early in their careers. The program is intended for U.S. graduate students pursuing studies in fields supported by the National Science Foundation. Women, minorities, and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply for the EAPSI. Applicants must be enrolled in a research-oriented master's or PhD program and be U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents by the application deadline date. Students in combined bachelor/master degree programs must have matriculated from the undergraduate degree program at time of application.

The first Summer Institutes began in Japan in 1990, and to date approximately 1,800 U.S. graduate students have participated in the program. For the 2009 competition, NSF received 317 applications and issued 187 awards. EAPSI applicants are representative of most U.S. states and territories. The 2009 awardees pool included representation from 95 universities and 40 states.

The NSF-EAPSI Operations Center is administered by the American Society for Engineering Education (www.asee.org/fellowships).[

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