Departmental Events

Faculty Meetings: December 16 (Tuesday), 4:00 pm, Seaton 164H and December 18 (Thursday), 11:30-1:00 pm, Seaton 164H.

Departmental Activities

Publication


Other

Bimal Paul attended the COP 20 held in Lima, Peru, December 1-12, 2014. While in Lima, two Bangladeshi TV channels (Channel I and Ekushay TV) and one Dhaka-based daily newspaper (Jugantar) interviewed him on COP 20 and funding gap between global climate change-related mitigation and adaptation programs.

Job Opportunities

Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Indiana: The Department of Earth and Environmental Systems (EES) at Indiana State University invites applications for the position of Chair to begin as early as June 1, 2015. The department seeks an interdisciplinary scientist at the Associate or Professor level to lead a recently developed, multidisciplinary Department. Undergraduate and graduate (MA, MS, and Ph.D.) degree programs were recently revised and have a heavy emphasis on hands-on learning. Although the particular expertise is open, the successful candidate will have a strong record demonstrating leadership skills, student mentoring, teaching, and research with an environmental focus. EES has 14-faculty, including anthropologists, geographers and geologists, with a robust record of externally funded research that involves both graduate and undergraduate students. The Chair will provide direction, advocacy, oversight, and management to the Department, serve on the Council of Chairs in the College of Arts and Sciences, and play a vital role in ensuring the continued success of research, outreach activities and undergraduate and graduate programs. Candidates must apply at the university's job postings web site at https://jobs.indstate.edu and electronically attach a letter of application that includes a statement of research and teaching interests, curriculum vitae, copies of graduate/undergraduate transcripts, and three letters of reference. Review of applications will begin Feb 15, 2015, and will remain open until filled, for full consideration apply by March 15, 2015. Questions should be directed to Dr. Kathleen Heath (Kathleen.Heath@indstate.edu). For more information about the department, including recently renovated classrooms and laboratories, visit: www.indstate.edu/ees.

Student Opportunities

2015 Research Grants Competition: The Cultural Geography Specialty Group (CGSG) of the AAG invites proposals for the 2015 Denis E. Cosgrove (Ph.D.) and Master's Level Research Grant Competitions. The competition aims to provide a measure of support for graduate students to conduct high-quality research projects for their master's thesis or doctoral dissertation. The grants are competitive; applications are judged on the basis of scholarly merit of the project (including the cultural geography significance of the research question and quality of the methodology), organization and clarity of the proposal, and qualifications of the student to conduct the proposed work. The applicant must be a member of the CGSG at the time of application. Student dues for the CGSG cost $2. Applicants for the research grant competition cannot simultaneously apply for a CGSG Student Paper Award. The research grants are $500 (Ph.D.) and $250 (Master's). Grants may not be made if no
proposals are deemed suitable. Entries undergo review by the CGSG’s Executive Committee. A complete application must be submitted online no later than January 7, 2015. The online applications are available on the Cultural Geography Specialty Group website: www.stark.kent.edu/cgsg-awards. A complete application consists of the online application, attached one-page curriculum vitae and attached itemized budget. Provide a brief explanation for how the CGSG research grant will be used. Include other grant money applied for or received, and the personal funds you plan to contribute (if applicable). The winners of the competition will be contacted in early March 2015, and the competition results will be announced at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Chicago during the CGSG Marquee Address and the Business Meeting. The grant recipients will be expected to give a brief report detailing how this grant helped in their research either in writing or at the annual CGSG business meeting during the 2016 AAG Conference. Address questions or requests for clarification to Angela Subulwa, Awards Director, at 920-424-7110 or subulwaa@uwosh.edu.

DGSG Student Paper Award: The Development Geographies Specialty Group (DGSG) is inviting papers for the 2015 DGSG Student Paper Competition. An award in the amount of $200 will be provided to a graduate student (M.A. or Ph.D.) who provides a single-authored, original paper dealing with development studies, development geography, or relevant geographic research in a developing country. The paper needs to be presented at the AAG Annual Meeting in 2015 but does not need to be part of a DGSG-sponsored session. Please submit a fully-developed paper between 5,000-10,000 words (inclusive of bibliography), in 12 font, 1 inch margin, and provide information on the AAG session it is scheduled to be presented at. Please provide word count at the end of the document, with your name and page number on each page. Papers from graduate students who have not yet graduated will be considered. Preference will be given to student members of the DGSG. If you are not already a member of DGSG, the student membership fee is only $1, so please become a member through your membership at www.aag.org. Paper submissions will be evaluated by Directors and Vice-Chair of the specialty group and the winner will be announced in advance of the Annual Meeting. The winner will be requested to attend the Business Meeting of the DGSG at the AAG to receive the honor. In order to apply for the award, students need to send an electronic copy of their paper (preferably as a PDF document) and relevant information by February 15, 2015 to Dr. Farhana Sultana, DGSG Chair, at sultanaf@syr.edu.

DGSG Student Travel Award: The Developing Geographies Specialty Group (DGSG) is inviting papers for the 2015 Gary Gaile Travel Award. An award in the amount of $200 will be given to a current graduate student conducting preliminary fieldwork for a research project on development-related themes. Candidates should submit a two-page, single-spaced, 12 font, 1 inch margin proposal that summarizes the project and its significance, a list of references cited in the proposal, and a CV. Proposals should be well-developed with clear methodology. Please ensure your name is on each page of your submission. Preference will be given to student members of the DGSG. If you are not already a member, the student membership fee is only $1, so please become a member through your membership at www.aag.org. Proposal submissions will be evaluated by Directors and Vice-Chair of the specialty group and the winner will be announced in advance of the Annual Meeting. The winner will be requested to attend the Business Meeting of the DGSG at the AAG to receive the honor, if she/he is attending the AAG. In order to be considered, students need to send an electronic copy of their proposal and CV (preferably as one PDF document) by February 15, 2015 to Dr. Farhana Sultana, DGSG Chair, at sultanaf@syr.edu.

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