AAG Election Results

The 2005 AAG Tellers Committee has reported the results of its count of 1,451 ballots at the Washington, DC, offices of McMasters and Associates, PC., Certified Public Accountants. New officers who will begin their terms on July 1, 2005 are: as President, Richard A. Marston of Kansas State University and as Vice President, Kavita Pandit of the University of Georgia.

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Denver Meeting Combines New Research and Old Friends

This month’s Denver meeting will showcase the leading scholarship and research of the discipline alongside social events that foster collegial exchange, friendship, and fun.

The opening day, Tuesday, April 5, is jam-packed with events, with something for everyone. Paper sessions begin on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. and are followed by the 6:00 p.m. Keynote Address by Barry Lopez, National Book Award winning author of Arctic Dreams.

At 7:00 p.m. the International Reception, open to all, begins in the exhibit hall and at 7:30 p.m., a tribal music and dancing exhibition will be held featuring the Iron Family Dancers and Singers/Pawnee Spotted Horse Drum Group (sponsored by the AAG Indigenous Peoples Specialty Group). The group features Pawnee, Crow, Navajo, Southern Cheyenne, Kiowa, and Sioux tribes. The evening will be capped by a Western Social Welcome featuring Denver’s premiere dance band Heartbeat, a high energy and interactive dance band that performs a wide variety of dance hits to appeal to young and old alike. The band is comprised of both male and female vocalists and superb musicians on keyboard, horns, bass, guitar, and drums and is guaranteed to keep you moving. All meeting attendees are invited to attend the Western Social Welcome which begins at 8:15 p.m. Hors d’oeuvres and drinks will be served.

New at the meeting will be a regional film series, this year to feature two Western films, The Misfits and Things to Do in Denver When You’re Dead. The Misfits (1961), stars Marilyn Monroe and Clark Gable, was directed by John Huston and has a screenplay by the late Arthur Miller. The second film will be the 1995 cult hit Things to Do in Denver When You’re Dead starring Andy Garcia, Christopher Lloyd, and Steve Buscemi, directed by John Landis.

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AAG Annual Meeting Registration Form is on page 8 of this issue.
AAG Launches Study on Graduate Education in Geography

The National Science Foundation, through its Research on Learning and Education (ROLE) program, has awarded the AAG a $980,393 grant for “Enhancing Departments and Graduate Education (EDGE) in Geography,” a three-year project to study the process of professional development in graduate geography. With this funding, the AAG will considerably expand its commitment to strengthening the quality of geography education at the graduate level.

Headed by AAG Educational Affairs Director Michael Solem and co-investigators Ken Foote (University of Colorado) and Jan Monk (University of Arizona), the EDGE project will develop a methodology to interpret the social and academic climates of MA/MS and PhD geography programs, while simultaneously evaluating the guidance and support that departments provide to graduate students. Particular attention will be given to the experiences of women, ethnic minority, gay, and foreign-born students who often become marginalized in traditional academic environments.

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An AAG Mission for the Twenty-first Century

It is a truism to say that the mission and scope of any organization is a product of its own history. The AAG was formed to advance the discipline at the turn of the twentieth century, at a time when professional geography (like many other academic disciplines) was seeking to consolidate and advance its position in government, private, and educational circles. Reflecting this early mission, the Association described its purpose in the following manner (and this still appears in our Guide to Geography Programs in North America), “The Association of American Geographers is a scholarly, nonprofit organization founded in 1904 to advance professional studies in geography and to encourage the application of geographic research in business, education and government.” In the AAG constitution, this is followed by a series of objectives that focus on serving geography and geographers.

Now we find ourselves at the dawn of the twenty-first century living through critical times of rising poverty and inequality across places, of struggles over environmental protection, of health pandemics, and enormous environmental and humanitarian disasters, as well as intense conflicts from Darfur to Iraq. At the same time, advances in our discipline allow us to speak evermore richly to societal challenges in this new century. And so I suggest that we revisit the way we frame the mission of the AAG. Our current mission statement focuses exclusively on ourselves, on advancing geography and the application of geographic research to standards of relevance defined by governmental, regulatory, or corporate agencies/actors. And yet as a community of scholars and practitioners, we have a broader commitment to serving the public good and to preparing citizens for the challenging times in which we live. I propose that we revisit this mission and express our outward orientation, as AAG members and as geographers, and highlight our goal of contributing to world understanding and to larger societal problems.

Beyond this question of which audiences we are addressing, many of us work in colleges and universities where we teach geography as a fundamental element of a liberal education in which critical thinking and basic research are our central goals. This is another reason for revisiting our mission statement, because it currently emphasizes the application of geographic research. There are many among us who resist strong pressures (from the government and some funding agencies) to justify all of our work on the basis of its immediate applicability. This is coupled with a strong desire to defend the societal importance of what my colleague Rick Roth refers to as “gadfly institutions” in society—organizations that engage in critical debate and that pursue knowledge for its own sake, rather than for a strategic or economic return. Revisiting the language in our AAG mission statement allows us to explicitly consider these values and to focus our collective energies on how geographic analysis can advance world understanding.

Our discipline has evolved and expanded in very exciting ways over the last 100 years, as can be clearly seen from the provocative centennial essays commissioned by Alec Murphy and published in the Annals of the AAG (December, 2004). These essays refer to the breadth and depth of theoretical and methodological advances through which we understand the global and intellectual shifts swirling around us. Geographers have made great strides in many arenas, theorizing and analyzing the spatiality of capitalism, complex geographies of privilege and exclusion, scalar-geographies of climate and ecosystem changes, the power of geospatial techniques for serving society, spaces of vulnerability in nature-society relations, poverty and inequality trends under neoliberal governance, how state power and governance is refracted through religious difference, health pandemics across places, and the list can of course, go on.

Inevitably, we each view the field through our own lens and we would create different (but I hope overlapping) lists of the challenges that face society. My point is that we have made enormous advances in critical analysis in the last fifty years and we need to self-consciously build an AAG mission and goals that take this work into account. For me, a reworked mission statement would also explicitly promote the diversity of geography on behalf of the entire profession. I am not advocating that we highlight only one theoretical or methodological slice of our discipline, even as I do suggest we should foreground our work in service of more inclusive visions of society. While much work on social and environmental justice is carried out by those engaged with Marxist, feminist and anti-racist theories, it is equally true that researchers from across the full range of theoretical and methodological approaches are involved with questions of equity, inequality, and questions of justice. Geospatial technologies are being put to work for social and environmental justice. Geographic data collection, analysis, and spatial representation are actively being employed to construct policies that are more inclusive and attentive to the concerns and needs of groups that have historically been excluded from decision-making (see for example work by Mei-Po Kwan, Paul Robbins, Sarah Elwood, Kathleen O’Reilly, Eugene Martin’s organization CommEn Space in Seattle, and the CIMAS foundation in collaboration with geographers in Ecuador, to name only a few).

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Social Science PhDs—Five Years Out

PhDs who earned their degrees between July 1, 1995 and June 30, 1999 in anthropology, communication, geography, history, political science, and sociology may soon be asked to participate in a national survey focused on job search, work/life choices and dilemmas, and doctoral program evaluation. The survey, "Social Science PhDs—Five Years Out" is funded by the Ford Foundation. Five to nine years out is an ideal time to reflect on career choices and doctoral education because in that time PhDs have had opportunities to see how well their education has prepared them for their careers.

Invitations to participate will be sent by electronic and postal mail. If you receive an invitation, please complete the survey. The information gathered from this survey will guide doctoral program re-assessment efforts across the country. The survey is administered by the Center for Innovation and Research in Graduate Education (CIRGE), located at the University of Washington in Seattle. For more information about the survey, visit CIRGE’s website at www.cirge.washington.edu.

For more information about the EDGE project, please contact Michael Solem (msolem@aag.org), Ken Foote (k.foote@colorado.edu), or Jan Monk (jmonk@email.arizona.edu).

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In recent decades we have witnessed an efflorescence of civil society groups working across scales and an enormous range of societal issues. Reworking our mission statement would provide an opportunity to talk about a broader set of relationships that the AAG can foster. This would serve to include those geographers working with non-governmental organizations, foundations, community activist and advocacy organizations, and think tanks. If we as members of the AAG explicitly articulate our relationships to these groups, this is a first step in strengthening and expanding those relationships and the possibilities for collaboration with these different partners. If we build relationships with independent donors, foundations, and institutes, we can create new spaces for basic research, critical thinking, and the advancement of knowledge that critiques the status quo.

Let me be clear that this is in no way a criticism of the superb work our Association is doing (see my January 2005 column). Further, our long-range plan for the Association, lead by Susan Cutter from 2000 to 2003, does include some of the arguments I make here. The plan notes the importance of building diverse connections to informal educators; to social groups and non-governmental organizations; and of encouraging geographers to engage in public debate about the most pressing issues of our times. But shifting institutional culture, and the way we all think about the role of the AAG, takes time. Language matters, and we can articulate these values and goals succinctly and put them front and center in our Association through our mission and goals in our materials, on our website, and in ways that permeate all of our work.

Starting from a rearticulation of our values, goals, and mission we can continue the ongoing work of designing activities and services that reflect this vision. For example, we should ensure that our AAG jobs network and career advice pages reflect careers in community service, non-profits, advocacy, and activism. We can ask council (as suggested by Mitchell in the centennial *Annals* in 2004) to commission white papers each year to provide summary information on pressing geographical issues for the media, congressional staff, and other audiences. We can follow Alec Murphy’s advice to challenge ourselves to write opinion pieces for our newspapers and we might start by adding an Op/Ed page to the AAG Newsletter. Writing articles on world-shaping events for the newsletter would both articulate what geographers have to contribute, and would provide experience in this different form of writing. And of course, I rely on all of you to tell me how else can we revision our mission and goals and how we as geographers can serve the public through our work.
New AAG Employee Nikolas Schiller

Nikolas Schiller recently joined the staff at the Association of American Geographers as Careers in Geography Program Coordinator. Originally from St. Louis, Missouri, Nikolas has a BA in geography from the George Washington University and will finish his BA in computer science in the summer of 2005. He is working at the AAG developing a “Guide to Careers in the Geographical Sciences” and other resource materials on careers in geography. Nikolas is also helping to implement the program “My Community, Our Earth: Geographic Learning for Sustainable Development” in high schools and colleges around the world. Outside of the office Nikolas loves to cook vegetarian and vegan meals, create online interactive geographical information systems, and design “far-out,” abstract art posters using distortions of 3-D map imagery.

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Newly elected National Councillors are Carol Harden (University of Tennessee) and Mei-Po Kwan (Ohio State University). Newly elected Honors Committee members are Cort J. Willmott (University of Delaware), Jerome E. Dobson (University of Kansas), and Lizbeth A. Pyle (West Virginia University). New Nominating Committee members are James W. Harrington, Jr., (University of Washington), W. Andrew Marcus (University of Oregon), and Dorothy Sack (Ohio University).

The 2005 AAG Tellers Committee is George W. White, Jr., Chair; Molly E. Brown, Judith A. Buchino, Elizabeth Chacko, Lee De Cola, Virgina Mason, Michael J. McGinn, Grady B. Meehan, John Neff, Dennis E. Nicholas, Anna Oldak, Marc J. Perry, Edward Redmond, Barbara Ryan, Roger R. Stough, Chaowei Yang, and Zuoquan Zhao.
AAG IGIF Award Recipients

The AAG International Geographic Information Fund (IGIF) Committee has announced its selections in the 2005 student travel grant competition. The following students will receive $500 each for travel to the AAG Annual Meeting and other scholarly and professional meetings: Desheng Liu (Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management, University of California at Berkeley), Xuan Shi (Department of Geology and Geography, West Virginia University), and Karin Tuxen (Environmental Science, Policy, and Management, University of California, Berkeley). An award of $400 goes to Hwang Sungson (Department of Geography, University at Buffalo – The State University of New York) and an award of $200 goes to John R. Winston (Department of Geography, Virginia Tech University).

The AAG's IGIF grants can be used to support student travel to national and international symposia or specialized meetings sponsored by recognized professional organizations supporting activities associated with specific aspects of geographic data analysis and handling and geographic information systems.

The AAG IGIF has been financially supported by a generous gift from Laura and Jack Dangermond and the Environmental Systems Research Institute to establish an AAG IGIF Endowment for this unique grant program. Full details on the program are available at www.aag.org/Grantsawards/IGIFcfm.

Tribute to Wilbur Zelinsky at Denver Meeting

The AAG Denver meeting features two special sessions paying tribute to Wilbur Zelinsky. The sessions, sponsored by The Geographical Review and the Cultural Geography Specialty Group take place on Wednesday, April 6. Both are organized and chaired by Joseph S. Wood of the University of Southern Maine. Wood is also a discussant in both sessions.

The first session, “Tribute to Wilbur Zelinsky I” (2416) starts at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday and includes presenters Edward K. Muller, University of Pittsburgh; Janice Monk, Department of Geography and Regional Development; Michael P. Conzen, University of Chicago; and Susan Hardwick, University Of Oregon.

The second session, “Tribute to Wilbur Zelinsky II” (2516) starts at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday and includes presenters Roman Cybriwsky, Temple University Japan; Denis Wood; Thomas Harvey, Portland State University; and Edmunds V. Bunkse, University of Delaware.

Both sessions will be held in Governor's Square 16. Further details are available in the meeting program (online at www.aag.org).

Public/Private Sector Affinity Group to Meet in Denver

The organizational meeting for a new public/private sector affinity group within the AAG will be held during the Denver Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 6 at 8:00 p.m. The goal of the new group is to provide a forum for geographers in public and private sectors to discuss issues related to geographic research, applications, and education in these sectors.

If you are interested, please attend this organizational meeting or contact David Kirtland (dakirtland@usgs.gov) or Thomas Edwards (tomedw@englobe.com).
AAG Washington Monitor

With the AAG Annual Meeting right around the corner, this month’s Monitor suggests a few sessions that relate to the public policy process and could be of interest to readers. See you in Denver!

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Wednesday, April 6
1:00 – 2:40 p.m. (Governor’s Square 15)
Chair: Samuel N. Goward – University of Maryland
Panelists: Nina Lam – Louisiana State University; Richard A. Marston – Oklahoma State University; Douglas Richardson – AAG; John A. Kelmelis – USGS; John Townshend – University of Maryland; David Lewis Skole – Michigan State University; Darrel Williams – NASA.

Thursday, April 7
Past President’s Address by Alexander B. Murphy: Enhancing Geography's Role in Public Debate
8:30 – 10:00 p.m. (Grand Ballroom I)

Friday, April 8
The Energy Opportunity of the 21st Century
12:00 – 1:40 p.m. (Majestic Ballroom)
Speaker: The Honorable Timothy E. Wirth – United Nations Foundation and Better World Fund
Discussant: Thomas Wilbanks – ORNL

2004 AAG Globe and Meridian Book Awards


Cities on the Plains is an ambitious, careful, systematic, and literate analysis of urban development in Kansas. Author Shortridge describes the location of nineteenth-century Kansas with respect to travel routes to the West and constraints and opportunities afforded by the presence and subsequent loss of Indian territories. He then examines the sometimes serendipitous and sometimes planned effects on the emerging settlement system of river, railroad, and highway linkages; locating public institutions in a new state, mining and industrial development; and the personalities, dreams, contacts, and resources of key locational decision makers over a century and a half. Shortridge demonstrates effectively how complex and sometimes unpredictable sequences of factors favored some cities over others, allowing some to prosper and not others, thus changing their relative importance in a system of cities across Kansas. The work is not only significant for Kansas, but it offers a successful geographical model for research on urban systems in other regions and times.

Based on longitudinal field work in the Sudan, and more recent work in New York City, the book Growing up Global: Economic Restructuring and Children’s Everyday Lives, juxtaposes economic and children’s developments providing a critical ethnography of globalization that works across space, scale, time and the particularities of place. Attentive to the roles of environmental change and its significance for ongoing production and social reproduction, the book contributes substantially to the science of geography while the creativity of its spatial imagination enlivens the art of geography. Nominator Sallie Marston writes that the book is “an eloquent meditation on what it means to grow up in the residues of a global economy that maroons young people in the flux of all that it makes possible,” offering a model of exuberant geographical inquiry. With vivid prose and attractively illustrated by the author’s photographs, this book will appeal to many readers within, and beyond, geography.

The Globe and Meridian Awards are presented during the AAG Annual Meeting Awards Luncheon, Saturday, April 9, at 11:40 a.m. Tickets may be purchased using the form on page 8 of this issue. Nominations for 2005 Globe and Meridian awards should follow instructions at www.aag.org/Grantsawards/globe.cfm.
AAG 2005 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

Everyone who attends the AAG Annual Meeting must register. Space is limited for all events, field trips and workshops. AAG reserves the right to cancel any event with insufficient enrollment. All fees are payable in US dollars, by check, money order, Visa, or MasterCard. All cancellation requests must be received in writing by the stated deadlines. Requests received through 26 Jan 2005 will incur a $50 cancellation fee. Requests received after 26 Jan 2005 will incur a $70 cancellation fee. Requests received after 16 March 2005 cannot be processed. Requests received after 11 Feb 2005 for multi-day field trips, excursions and single-day field trips #1 and #2 cannot be processed.

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I. REGISTRATION

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Before 3/16 After 3/16

Regular Member $235 $290
Student/Retired Member $125 $150
Nonmember $365 $410
Nonmember Student $180 $210
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One day registration $190 $210

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III. MULTI-DAY FIELD TRIPS

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1. Exploring Colorado’s Ute Legacy (4/2: 8am - 4/5: 4pm) __ @ $175 (shared hotel room*) $______ __ @ $565 (single hotel room) $______
2. Ranching Heritage & Ski Resort Dev. (4/9: 7:30am - 4/10: 5pm) __ @ $210 (single hotel room) $______
3. Grand Canyon Field Trip (4/9: 5pm - 4/10: 1pm) __ @ $745 (shared hotel room*) $______ __ @ $775 (single hotel room) $______

* For shared hotel room selections, list the name of the individual you want to share a room with. If you have no preference, leave blank and you will be assigned a roommate of the same gender.

IV. EXCURSIONS

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by Gary Fleder, and with a screenplay by Scott Rosenberg. The film series has been organized by AAG Executive Director Doug Richardson and the films were selected and will be introduced by geographers who work with the geographies of film—Dydia DeLyser, Christopher Lukinbeal, and Stuart Aitken. This series is open to all attendees at no charge, and will be held Friday evening, April 8, at 8:30 p.m.

Leading scholarship and the latest research will be featured in 3,000 presentations and several plenary sessions. Full descriptions of all sessions are available in the meeting program, available online at www.aag.org. We look forward to seeing you all in Denver!

**Session to Honor Hugh Calkins**

A panel session in honor of Professor Hugh Calkins’s contributions to Geography is scheduled for Friday, April 8, at 10:00 a.m. Organized and chaired by Ge Lin of West Virginia University, the session will include panelists: Michael F. Goodchild, University of California, Santa Barbara, Duane F. Marble, Ohio State University, Jack Dangermond, ESRI, Carmelle J. Cote, ESRI, and David M. Mark, University at Buffalo.

**Members of Note**

Bill Bowen's dramatic 3-D landscape images were featured in the February 18, 2005 issue of *Science* (Vol 307, Issue 5712, p1021). According to *Science*, "Even on the best relief maps, Mount Everest and other spectacular geographical features are, well, flat. But the mountain stands tall at this new atlas of panoramic images aimed at geography students and curious visitors. Crafted by William Bowen, a retired professor of geography from California State University in Northridge, the collection boasts some 500 computer-generated aerial views of the world's landscapes, from the Florida Keys to the Pyrenees Mountains to the Bay of Bengal. "My plan will be a small attempt to make far-off places literally visible to anyone who wishes to see them," Bowen says." His work can be viewed at http://geogdata.csun.edu/world_atlas/index.html.

Leslie A. Duram, Chair at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, was interviewed by Earthwatch Radio regarding her book *Good Growing: Why Organic Farming Works*. The radio spots will be aired nationally by various stations (details available on www.e wradio.org).

On February 11, 2005, Alberto Giordano, (Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Texas State University, San Marcos) and Deborah Metzel, (Adjunct Faculty, Department of Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences, University of Massachusetts, Boston) gave a briefing to the U.S. Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pension Committee. The briefing, organized by the offices of Senator Michael Enzi of Wyoming (Chairman of the Committee) and Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts (Ranking Minority Member of the Committee) was entitled "The Locations of Employment Services in Relation to People with Disabilities: Policy Implications for the Reauthorization of the Workforce Investment."

AAG member Marguerite Madden was elected as 2005 Vice President for the Association of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS). Once she is sworn in as president in 2007, Madden will be the sixth woman to hold that office since the ASPRS was founded in 1934.
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The following commentary was submitted by Richard Randall.

It may not be well known that many people who have studied geography, including those with advanced degrees in the field, have worked effectively in areas other than teaching or conducting academic research. My own career has brought me into contact with many such individuals and I have long felt it appropriate that their contributions be duly recognized. Accordingly, I made a presentation on this topic at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the AAG in Philadelphia that identified several such people. This piece gives a brief sampling of a few of those profiles; many more can be found on the AAG website at www.aag.org/Careers Intro.html.

My own employment over the last forty some years is an example of this type of career path outside of academia. After receiving a PhD in geography from Clark University in 1955, I began work at the CIA where I developed studies of Eastern European countries from a geographical perspective. Six years later, I took an assignment as Washington representative for Rand McNally & Company, where among my responsibilities, I obtained maps and related geographical data from federal and foreign sources to support the company’s business in maps, atlases, globes, textbooks, and other products. After eleven years with Rand McNally I spent the next twenty years as the geographer of the Defense Mapping Agency as well as executive secretary of the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. In these positions, I worked with representatives of many foreign countries and served on committees of the United Nations. Knowledge of geography was a significant element in virtually all of my work.

It is the nature of these efforts, as well as the efforts of many individuals occupied with similar tasks, that led me to select “practical” to describe this type of geography.

Profiles of a few other geographers engaged in the federal government follow, with many others described as a continuation of this article on the AAG careers website.

Barbara J. Ryan, MA Geography, University of Denver, 1981; MS Civil Engineering, Stanford University, 1985. She has worked with U.S. Geological Survey since 1974 in various capacities and is currently Associate Director for Geography at USGS headquarters in Reston, VA. Her responsibilities cover programs and policies with respect to USGS activities in mapping, remote sensing, and geography. She states that “as we become better informed about natural systems and related environmental issues, we find that the various systems are rarely treated as a single discipline.” She feels that geography has taught her to look at the many problems and issues from a “systems perspective.” She adds that since its inception in 1878, the USGS had relied on geographers. (The USGS now has four programs: biology, geology, hydrology, and geography.)

Edward Bruner, PhD in Geography, Syracuse University, 1974. Since 1991 he has been with the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress. Prior to this position, he had military duties that included being instructor and assistant professor of geography at the U.S. Military Academy. Otherwise he had significant responsibilities with various military units in Germany and the U.S. Currently his assignments include being a specialist in national defense; head of the Military Forces and Threat Reduction Section of the Foreign Affairs, Defense, and Trade Division; providing policy analyses and information to congressional members and committees; and serving as the point of contact liaison for geography to the Library of Congress Map Library. He strongly believes his PhD in geography was an important factor in being hired.

John Kelmels, PhD in Geography, University of Pennsylvania, 1991. His career included military service (Air Force, Vietnam), land surveying, conducting studies related to environmental issues (wetlands) for the state of Connecticut, and working as a cartographer with the Aeronautical Chart and Information Center, part of the Defense Mapping Agency. In 1997, he joined the USGS and subsequently held key positions concerning the introduction of advanced cartography systems; studies regarding the causes and effects of global environmental changes and interaction of climatic and hydrologic systems; and programs to understand and upgrade the application of new methods related to the collection of geographical factors associated with the environment. In 2003, he accepted an assignment as Senior Counselor for Earth Science at the U.S. State Department.

For more profiles of geographers, please visit www.aag.org/Careers Intro.html.

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Note:
In preparing these profiles, I communicated with a number of people, including several long-time colleagues. Mary Lynne Bird, Executive Director of the American Geographical Society, was a major source of information and contacts. (Her 2002 talk on geographers outside of academia is recounted in the March 2004 Ubique article, “Hidden Geographers.”) In addition, I reviewed files in the AAG headquarters where I found information about members involved in a broad scope of activities.
Louisiana State University

A new lab for the study of spatial analysis and geographic information science is being established at Louisiana State University. The lab is funded by a grant from the state’s Center for Computation & Technology (CCT) to a research group headed by Professor Nina Lam.

The new lab, which contains twenty-seven computer stations and a multimedia instructional station, allows students to explore information online while receiving instructions from their professor. The lab is also focused on discovering how a culture’s surroundings can have an effect on social problems. Lam’s research aims to detect environmental factors that affect health using mapping systems to search for connections between areas with possibly dangerous conditions and the health problems of those who live within those regions. Using this technology she has mapped cancer mortality rates in China and the spread of AIDS in rural America.

"The CCT makes it a point to support programs that are using technology in innovative ways. This is especially true for those programs that are interdisciplinary," said CCT Director Ed Seidel. "Geographic information science is an interdisciplinary form of technology research that can be used to study disaster management, homeland security, economic conditions, and other social problems."

Lam agreed that the science was interdisciplinary and spoke of computer scientists, engineers, anthropologists, and even marketing researchers who have used the technology. "I like to be innovative. I like to look at different areas of importance to society to see how this type of research can be applied," said Lam.

Texas State University, San Marcos

The Department of Geography at Texas State University-San Marcos has started a new “accelerated learning” program for the PhD in geographic education.

In-residence classes will be offered exclusively during the summer sessions and will be supplemented by distance education courses during the regular school year. PhD students will be able to advance to candidacy after completing thirty-one course credits and the comprehensive exam. The dissertation may be completed at the student’s home base through distance education advising. Some face-to-face meetings may be necessary.

This program is designed to fit the needs of teachers, community college instructors, and others unable to take time off from their traditional school or job.

For additional information about the program, visit www.geo.txstate.edu/programs/geoe/ or contact Dr. David Butler, Graduate Program Coordinator, at 512-245-7977 or db25@txstate.edu.

If your institution is newly created, has expanded, added new programs or centers, or changed in a significant manner, consider submitting a short summary for the Geographic Centers column by emailing newsletter@aag.org.

From the Meridian: Columns by AAG Presidents

For decades, presidents of the Association of American Geographers have written insightful columns in the AAG Newsletter. These columns illustrate the changes and consistencies of geography over the past thirty-four years and offer an insight into the past of the geography discipline, and a broader perspective on the future.

These columns have now been gathered into a new book from West Virginia University Press entitled Presidential Musings from the Meridian: Reflections on the Nature of Geography. The book is edited by former AAG Presidents M. Duane Nellis, Janice Monk, and Susan L. Cutter and contains a preface by AAG Executive Director Douglas Richardson.

The book is available from West Virginia Press at www.wvupress.com or by calling 1-866-WVUPRESS and also from the AAG at www.aag.org. Members ordering through the AAG will receive a 10% discount on the list price of $35.
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Submit proposal abstracts (250 word maximum) by May 1, 2005. Further information is available at www.geog.utah.edu/instant_access/.

**Applied Geography Conference**

The 2005 Applied Geography Conference will be held in Washington, DC, November 2-6. The deadline for submission of abstracts to the conference is May 2, 2005. The Applied Geography Conference provides a forum for the exchange and critique of ideas related to the application of geographic concepts, analytical techniques, data, and methods. The conference brings together practitioners, academicians, and other professionals who seek geographic solutions and explanations to societal problems. Students are encouraged to participate, either in the poster session or in paper sessions. There are awards for students’ posters and papers. For additional information please visit www.appliedgeog.org or contact Burrell E. Montz (bmontz@binghamton.edu; 607-777-2615) or Graham A. Tobin (gtobin@cas.usf.edu; 813-974-4932).

**Mountain Areas of Europe**

From September 20-24, 2005, Ioannina, Greece will host a conference titled "Biodiversity conservation and sustainable development in mountain areas of Europe: The challenge of interdisciplinary research.” Presentations are invited for this conference. All contributors must submit abstracts in English that do not exceed 250 words.

For inquiries regarding the scientific program, abstracts, registrations, letter of invitation, manuscripts, and general information contact the Secretariat at: BioScene Conference Organizing Committee, Dept Ecology, UPB 119, Aristotle University, 54124, Thessaloniki, Greece; or email biosceneconf@bio.auth.gr.

Abstracts must be received by July 15, 2005.

**Interdisciplinary Conference on the Environment**

The 11th International Interdisciplinary Conference on the Environment will be held in Orlando, Florida, June 23-25, 2005. The conference is open to environmental practitioners, academics, students and all interested persons regardless of background.

All papers will pass a blind peer review process for publication consideration in the Interdisciplinary Environmental Review.

The deadline for registration is April 30, 2005. For more information, please contact Dr. Kimberly Reiter of the Interdisciplinary Environmental Association (IEA) at kreiter@desu.edu or visit www.assumption.edu/iea.

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The AAG Council seeks nominations for candidates to serve on the AAG Honors Committee and the AAG Nominating Committee. The Council will prepare the final slate of candidates for both committees from the nominations received, and committee members will be elected by a vote of the AAG membership.

Nominations for the Honors Committee can include persons (i) from the membership at large and (ii) from those members who have previously received AAG Honors (a list of previous honorees can be found in the AAG Guide to Geography Programs in North America). Honors Committee members serve for two years and are responsible for making recommendations of awardees for various AAG Honors for Council consideration.

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Books Received


Yehua Dennis Wei, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, received an Outstanding Young Scientist Award (Overseas) from the Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC). The prestigious award, the highest recognition by NSFC to overseas scientists and scholars of Chinese descent, is primarily for his work in collaboration with Chaolin Gu of Nanjing University on globalization and regional development in the Yangtze Delta, China.

Matthew A. Zook and Thomas R. Leinbach, University of Kentucky, received an award from the Geography-Regional Science Program, Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences, National Science Foundation for a three year project entitled, “Connecting Cyberspace to Place: Understanding the Evolution of Transactions and Value Chains in Electronic Commerce.” The project will emphasize the forms, processes, and geographies of E-commerce across a set of manufacturing firms in the U.S. More specifically, it will examine how E-commerce contributes to firms’ competitive advantage through the (re)formulation of value chains (comparing physical to virtual) and thereby affecting existing geographies of production, distribution, and sales.

Stacey Curry, University of Southern Mississippi, won first place in the Graduate Student Paper Competition held at the 69th Annual Meeting of the Mississippi Academy of Sciences. Curry’s paper was “The Use of Anthropometric Data in Otolemur garnettii (small-eared galago) Subspecies Identification.”

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Reibert, Derek, Kettering, OH
Richardson, Alyse, Philadelphia, PA
Ridenour, Gregory, S., Clarksville, TN
Risvanoglu, Alpan, Florence, AL
Robert, Godfrey, Gainesville, FL
Robison, Elijah, Columbia, MO
Roche, Tony, Oxfordshire, UK
Roth, Keely, Miami, FL
Rudolf, Wastl, Klagenfurt, Austria
Sauser, Audra, Chadron, NE
Schechtman, Nancy, G., Washington, DC
Schepp, Dorothy, Denver, CO
Seymour, Mona, Nicole, Los Angeles, CA
Slater, Mariel, NY
Smollin, Lynn, San Marcos, TX
Sowerwine, Jennifer, Berkeley, CA
Stone, Melissa, Bowling Green, KY
Strachan, Scotty, Sparks, NV
Stuart, David, Rancho Cucamonga, CA
Su, Jeongwook, Seoul, Korea
Swaminathan, Subramanian, Tempe, AZ
Swanson, Kate, Brantford, ON, Canada
Sylvia, Andrew, Merrimack, NH
Terrell, Mary Kate, Little Rock, AR
Terrien, Anne, Tempe, AZ
Thompson, Dan, Bellingham, WA
Tobi, Zohar, Worcester, MA
Tong, A, BC, Canada
Tour, Lutalo, Minneapolis, MN
Troncone, Elizabeth, Mesa, AZ
Tucker-Seeley, Reginald, Boston, MA
Uchida, Kazuhiro, Hokkaido, Japan
Vesey, Brian, NM
Victor-Burke, Kelly, Ypsilanti, MI
Vilaca, Olivier, Paris, France
Vojvodic, Vladimir, Chicago, IL
Vowels, Aaron, Patrick, Louisville, KY
Wentworth, Frank, Denver, CO
White, Judson, Tempe, AZ
Whitworth, Jim, Noyinger, MO
Will, Dawn, Mesilla Park, NM
Williams, John, Patrick, Tucson, AZ
Wilson, Kristen, Franklin, MA
Womack, Robyn, Parker, CO
Wyatt, Natasha, Denver, CO
Wynn, Anne, Boulder, CO
Yeatman, Devin, Arnold, MD
Zakharchuk, Mariya, Lviv Region, Ukraine
Zielstra, Dennis, Bonn, Germany
Ziolkowski, Michael, Grand Island, NY

Advancing Geography in the Academe

This year’s Denver annual meeting features two special panel sessions dealing with geography departments.

The first session, organized by Sharmistha Bagchi-Sen and Beth Mitchneck, is entitled “Advancing Geography in the Academe” and is scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, from 8:00 to 9:40 a.m. The panel chair will be Kenneth E. Foote of the University of Colorado and panelists will be Rodney A. Erickson of Pennsylvania State University, Susan Hanson of Clark University, Janice Monk of the Department of Geography and Regional Development, M. Duane Nellis of Kansas State University, Risa I. Palm of the Louisiana State University, and Thomas J. Baerwald of the National Science Foundation. Topics to be discussed include the role of department heads in advancing geography, departmental missions, mentoring junior faculty (and graduate students), opportunities/issues in interdisciplinary programs, identification of resources to support your program, creating a student-centered environment, effective program leadership, developing collegiality, the role of the program reviews, and views from the NSF.

The second session occurs Thursday, April 7, from 5:00 to 6:40 p.m. and is entitled “AAG Healthy Departments Panel Discussion.” The session is organized and chaired by AAG President Victoria Lawson and includes panelists Richard A. Marston of Oklahoma State University, Sarah Witham Bednarz of Texas A&M University, Alexander B. Murphy of the University of Oregon, Michael N. Solem of the AAG, Marie D. Price of George Washington University, and John S. Adams of the University of Minnesota – Minneapolis.

Details on both sessions are available in the meeting program or at www.aag.org.
New Appointments

Clark University, Assistant Professor, James T. Murphy. PhD, 2001, University of Florida.


Miami University, Assistant Professor, David L. Prytherch. PhD, 2003, University of Arizona.

University of Nevada-Reno, Assistant Professor, Jill S. Heaton. PhD, 2001, Oregon State University.

University of Nevada-Reno, Assistant Professor, Paul A. Stangl. PhD, 2001, University of Texas at Austin.

University of Northern Iowa, Assistant Professor, Alex Oberle. PhD, expected 2005, Arizona State University.

Simon Fraser University, Assistant Professor, Geoffrey Mann. PhD, 2002, University of California, Berkeley.

Simon Fraser University, Assistant Professor, Paul Kingsbury. PhD, 2003, University of Kentucky.

Simon Fraser University, Assistant Professor, Jeremy Venditti. PhD, 2003, University of British Columbia.

Syracuse University, Assistant Professor, Robert M. Wilson. PhD, 2004, University of British Columbia.

Syracuse University, Assistant Professor, Peng Gao. PhD, 2003, University at Buffalo, SUNY.

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Assistant Professor, Heike C. Alberts. PhD, 2003, University of Minnesota.

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Assistant Professor, Colin J. Long. PhD, 2003, University of Oregon.

University of Wisconsin-Platteville, Assistant Professor, Rhea Presiado. PhD, expected 2005, University of Arizona.

Clark University, Assistant Professor, James T. Murphy. PhD, 2001, University of Florida.


Miami University, Assistant Professor, David L. Prytherch. PhD, 2003, University of Arizona.

University of Nevada-Reno, Assistant Professor, Jill S. Heaton. PhD, 2001, Oregon State University.

University of Nevada-Reno, Assistant Professor, Jeffrey Underwood. PhD, 1999, University of Georgia.

University of Nevada-Reno, Assistant Professor, Robert M. Wilson. PhD, 2004, University of British Columbia.

Syracuse University, Assistant Professor, Peng Gao. PhD, 2003, University at Buffalo, SUNY.

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Assistant Professor, Heike C. Alberts. PhD, 2003, University of Minnesota.

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Assistant Professor, Colin J. Long. PhD, 2003, University of Oregon.

Key: New institution, position, name. Degree, year degree granted, granting institution.

Quarter Century

The AAG Newsletter of April 1980 reported that Brian Berry and Eric Teichholz, Director and Associate Director, respectively, of the Laboratory for Computer Graphics and Spatial Analysis, Harvard University, received a Ford Foundation Authorship Award of $8,800 to select and prepare for publication papers presented at the 1979 Harvard Computer Graphics Week. The major focus of their book, Computer Graphics for Policy Analysis, was the policy applications of computer mapping...Roger Kaspersen, Clark University, was a consultant and prepared a report on "Responding to Three Mile Island: Institutional Pathways"...Owen J. Furuseth, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, was the lone geographer recipient among 100 young scientists awarded NSF and NATO postdoctoral fellowships in science. The fellowship allowed him to spend a year at Simon Fraser University studying urban and regional planning...AAG Research Grants were awarded to William H. Berentsen for "Changes in Spatial Patterns of Racial Socio-Economic Inequality in Georgia: 1950-1970", Willard T. Chow for "Spatial Organization of Tourism in the United States", Richard C. Jones for "Illegal Mexican Migration to U.S. Urban Areas: Patterns and Impacts on Economic Growth", Laurence J. C. Ma for "Trends of Arid Lands Research in the People's Republic of China", and Bonham C. Richardson for "West Indian Labor on the Panama Canal: The View from Barbados."
Online Index to AAG Archives

A n online index to the AAG archives is now available. The archives, a collection of over 359 boxes, is an institutional archives that concerns the growth of the AAG in its many dimensions including details of programs, meetings, selection and election of officials, etc.

The physical archives of the Association of American Geographers is located in the American Geographical Society Library, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee Libraries, 2311 E. Hartford Avenue, Milwaukee, WI, 53211. This library is one of North America’s foremost geography and map collections.

To view the online index, or obtain contact information for AGS Library Curator Chris Baruth and AAG Archivist Geoffrey Martin, visit www.uwm.edu/Libraries/AGSL/aag_contents.html.

A link on the site labeled “photographic memory” displays unidentified archival images. Lend an eye and see if you can identify some of the mystery individuals pictured.

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News Bits

T he journal Geography Research Forum has released two special guest-edited issues. Volume 23, 2003, a special issue on "Migration: International and Intra-national Dimensions" is guest-edited by Jim Pooler and Jiaosheng He and Volume 24, 2004, on "Lifestyles: Spatial and Socio-economic Aspects" is guest-edited by Baruch Kipnis. Information on the purchase of these issues is available from ameir@bgumail.bgu.ac.il.

The American Museum of Natural History’s Center for Biodiversity and Conservation (CBC) released a website to promote the use of remotely sensed imagery at http://cbc.rs-gis.amnh.org/. The site focuses on the practical aspects of accessing, visualizing, and processing satellite imagery. It is designed with beginners in mind, but also has many features that are of interest to more experienced users. Feedback about existing content and suggestions for future content would be appreciated. Questions and comments about the site can be sent to Ned Horning at horning@amnh.org.

The American Association of University Professors’ website (www.aaup.org) now features a collection of resources on issues relating to government intervention in higher education. The collection includes materials on the “academic bill of rights” legislation proposed in several states and other related issues.

The United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development was officially launched on March 1, 2005 in New York. In addition to the international launch, a series of regional and national launches of the Decade will take place during the course of 2005. See http://portal.unesco.org/education/en/sustainable_development.php for details.

The Dharani Trust is an India-based organization committed to community service in India that was established in 1999 by Chandra Balachandran, a former assistant professor of geography at North Dakota State University. The Dharani Trust, named for the Sanskrit word meaning earth, supports the Indian Institute of Geographical Studies (IIGS), an institution using innovative means to bring geography to bear on contemporary social justice, environmental, and educational issues affecting Indian civil society. The IIGS works primarily in four areas: (1) research—implementing results in real-world contexts; (2) outreach—bringing together academics and activists, particularly in the NGO sector; (3) publication—producing research accessible to broad public audiences; and (4) education—supporting geographers in public educational settings at all levels, and aiding geography curriculum development.

Initiatives currently supported by the Dharani Trust and IIGS include HIV/AIDS education projects, sustainable development initiatives (in conjunction with Indian NGOs), school curricular enhancement in the area of environmental management, and support of social justice causes through GIS and other IT technologies, and integrated spatial databases. Through these efforts, the IIGS aims to network with existing geography organizations in India, which historically have had little engagement in such causes.

For more information visit www.dharanitrust.org or contact Heidi J. Nast at hnast@depaul.edu.
The area of specialty is open, but we are most interested in environmental scientists working on issues faced by communities in arid and semiarid environments. GRD and OALS are housed, respectively, within the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. OALS is an interdisciplinary research unit established in 1964. The University of Arizona is noted for interdisciplinary research, and additional opportunities exist for collaborating with world class researchers in the School of Natural Resources, the Institute for the Study of Planet Earth, and other earth science related units on campus. The units are seeking an individual who is able to work with diverse students and colleagues, and who has experience with a variety of teaching methods and curricular perspectives. APR 05-106.

To apply, visit the University of Arizona job webpage at www.uacareertrack.com, and enter Job No. 32381. Applicants should be prepared to submit a CV, letter of interest, statement of research and teaching interests, and the names and addresses of three referees. Additional materials, such as a teaching portfolio and research articles, may be subsequently requested by the search committee. The position is open until filled, with applications reviewed on a continual basis beginning March 31, 2005. Anticipated start date is August 2005. Position subject to final budgetary approval. As an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer, the University of Arizona recognizes the power of a diverse community and encourages applications from men and women from all racial, religious, and national origin groups, and occasional positions with foreign institutions.

Rates: Minimum charge of $150. Listings will be charged at $1.25 per word. Announcements run for two consecutive issues unless a stated deadline permits only one listing. The charge for running an announcement more than twice is one-third the original charge for each subsequent listing. We will bill institutions listing jobs after their announcements appear in JIG for the first time.

Deadline: JIG announcements must reach the AAG before the first of the month to appear in JIG for the following month (e.g. January for February issue). Readers will receive their Newsletter copies between the 5th and the 15th of the month. Schedule job closing dates with these delivery dates in mind.

Format: Announcements should be sent as an attachment or in the body of an e-mail to jig@aag.org. The announcements must be saved in Microsoft Word 5.0 or greater, or Corel WordPerfect 6 or greater. No job announcements accepted by phone. Follow format and sequence of current JIG listings. All positions are full-time and permanent unless otherwise indicated. State explicitly if positions are not firm. Employers are responsible for the accuracy and completeness of their listings.

JIG will not publish listings that are misleading or inconsistent with Association policy. Employers seeking applications from men and women from all racial, religious, and national origin groups are not firm. Employers are responsible for the accuracy and completeness of their listings.

*ARIZONA, TUCSON, 85721. The Department of Geography and Regional Development (GRD) (http://geog.arizona.edu) and the Office of Arid Lands Studies (OALS) (http://www.arid.arizona.edu) at the University of Arizona invite applications for a tenure track Assistant Professor in the area of earth systems science with emphasis on arid and semi-arid lands. We are seeking an energetic physical geographer/environmental scientist interested in working within a dynamic interdisciplinary environment. The area of specialty is open, but we are most interested in candidates with a research focus that includes aspects of biogeography, land use/cover change, landscape ecology, and/or resource conservation and management. Specific technical expertise should include any combination of remote sensing, environmental modeling and mapping, decision support for natural resource management, and geographic information science. The candidate will be expected to teach courses in GRD and in the Arid Lands Resource Sciences Graduate Interdisciplinary Ph.D. (http://www.alsrg.arizona.edu/) program. This joint position will address the convergent interests of both GRD and OALS around environmental problems and management issues faced by communities in arid and semiarid environments. GRD and OALS are housed, respectively, within the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. OALS is an interdisciplinary research unit established in 1964. The University of Arizona is noted for interdisciplinary research, and additional opportunities exist for collaborating with world class researchers in the School of Natural Resources, the Institute for the Study of Planet Earth, and other earth science related units on campus. The units are seeking an individual who is able to work with diverse students and colleagues, and who has experience with a variety of teaching methods and curricular perspectives. APR 05-106.

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*Indicates a new listing
individuals with varied experiences, perspectives, and backgrounds. The University of Arizona is an AA/EEO Employer-M/W/D/V.

*ARIZONA, TUCSON 85721. The Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy (http://udallcenter.arizona.edu/) and the Department of Geography and Regional Development (http://geog.arizona.edu) invite applications for a tenure track Assistant/Associate Professor in the area of environmental science/studies and policy. This is a shared position, with a tenure home in GRD and a research assignment in the Center. It holds considerable advantages for the right candidate. The Center was established in 1987. It sponsors policy-relevant, interdisciplinary research that links scholarship and education with decision-making. The Center specializes in issues concerning the environment, including water, climate, natural resources, and land use, especially as they relate to economic development, American Indian governance, public lands, and the U.S.-Mexico border. The Center is particularly interested in a geographer or closely allied scholar who can provide research leadership in one or more of these areas, or who can contribute new but related foci. Faculty in GRD specialize in physical geography, human-environmental relations, regional development, and critical human geography. Together we are seeking an energetic person keen to work within a dynamic interdisciplinary environment. Responsibilities for the Center are fully directed toward the establishment and maintenance of a research program of excellence; affiliation with GRD allows the right person the opportunity to be associated with a growing academic unit; supporting excellent undergraduate and graduate programs. Teaching in GRD is reduced in recognition of the research load associated with Center responsibilities. Additional opportunities exist for working with world class environmental and policy researchers across the University of Arizona campus. The Center and Department are seeking an individual who is able to work with diverse students and colleagues, and who has experience with a variety of teaching methods and curricular perspectives. APR 05-103.

To apply, visit the University of Arizona job webpage at www.uacareertrack.com, and enter Job No.32363. Applicants should be prepared to submit a CV, letter of interest, statement of research and teaching interests (outlining current/future research contributions and teaching qualifications/preferences), and the names and addresses of three referees. Additional materials, such as a teaching portfolio and research articles, may be subsequently requested by the search committee. The position is open until filled, with applications reviewed on a continual basis beginning March 31, 2005. Anticipated start date is January 2006. The position is subject to final budgetary approval. As an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer, the University of Arizona recognizes the power of a diverse community and encourages applications from individuals with varied experiences, perspectives, and backgrounds. The University of Arizona is an AA/EEO Employer-M/W/D/V.

CALIFORNIA, REDLANDS 92373. Enterprise GIS Program Manager. Join the world leader in GIS! ESRI seeks a contracts/program manager to coordinate its enterprise GIS site license program. Responsibilities include translating IT business and budgetary requirements of large multisite organizations into successful enterprise-wide commercial/license agreements, providing sales support to government and commercial clients, and working with contracts and sales teams on contract negotiations. Requirements include a bachelor’s degree in business/related field and minimum of five years contract administration experience, preferably in the commercial software/services industry.

To apply, send your cover letter and resume to jobs@esri.com or apply online at www.esri.com/careers. Please code AAG/MD. MAR 05-78.

*CALIFORNIA, ROHNERT PARK 94928-3609. Sonoma State University The Department of Geography and Global Studies seeks applicants for a full-time, one-year Visiting Assistant Professor position beginning August 2005. Possible recruitment for tenure track position in 2006-2007. We seek a Physical Geographer with an emphasis on GIS and subdiscipline in Biogeography or Climatology. The selected candidate will have the willingness and ability to teach lower division physical geography and upper division courses in GIS and in their physical specialty. Other interests may include a regional focus other than Africa or Latin America, computer cartography, or other specialties. PhD in Geography preferred at time of appointment, but ABD may be considered. The selected individual will be committed to teaching undergraduates in a liberal arts setting, and will support the mission of the university. The Department of Geography and Global Studies (www.sonoma.edu/ geography/) has an established GIS research lab (http://www.sonoma.edu/gis/), weather station, GPS base station, soils lab, and active undergraduate research participation. Salary range between $45,696 and $47,880, and eligible for benefits. Review of applications will begin for those postmarked or received electronically by April 5, 2005 and will continue until the position is filled. A complete announcement, with application information, is available at www.sonoma.edu/aa/fa/employment.shtml. An AA/EEO Employer. APR 05-97.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON 20009. The Association of American Geographers is seeking a Writer/Project Coordinator who will assist with writing proposals, press releases, and articles, and with the coordination of special projects at the AAG. The ideal candidate will be highly organized, able to manage multiple projects under strict deadlines, and have excellent written and verbal communication skills. Previous publication required. Experience with federal grants/contracts a plus.

We desire applicants interested in long-term, stable employment with the AAG, which offers an excellent working environment. Salary commensurate with experience. The AAG is an equal opportunity employer. Submit resume and two writing samples (preferably publications) to Heather Heimbuch, AAG, 1710 Sixteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20009, or by email to hheimbuch@aag.org. FEB 05-AAG.

*DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON 20009. AAG Postdoctoral Fellow Position Available

The Association of American Geographers has a position available for immediate placement at the AAG's office in Washington, DC.

We seek an individual whose primary responsibility will be assisting the Educational Affairs Director with the development and administration of a three-year, federally funded project to study the process of professional development in graduate geography. Details of the project are available on the AAG website and in the April 2005 issue of the AAG newsletter page 2.

The Fellow will participate in the development of research instruments and protocols, travel several times a year to lead professional development workshops and evaluate materials with students and faculty in participating departments, interact constructively with academic and non-academic professional development providers and organizations, prepare manuscripts for publication, and assist with a variety of project management tasks. The Fellow will also work closely with AAG staff to support initiatives...
within the AAG and geography community to enhance diversity, outreach, and education.

A highly qualified candidate will have a Ph.D. in geography, strong skills in qualitative and quantitative methods in social science research, including interview and survey analysis; possess outstanding written and verbal communication skills, be highly organized and able to meet deadlines on multiple projects, and have strong interpersonal skills.

This is an excellent opportunity for a junior scholar, but we will also consider applications from senior faculty on academic leave. Salary is commensurate with experience. The AAG is an equal opportunity employer and offers employees a competitive benefits package and a collegial working environment. APR 05-107.

To apply, send letter of application, CV, sample publications, and contact information for three references to: Michael Solem, Association of American Geographers, 1710 Sixteenth Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20009 or e-mail to msolem@aag.org. Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled.

*INDIANA, MUNCIE, 47306-0470. Ball State University, Department of Geography. Applications are invited for a tenure-line position at the Assistant Professor level in Remote Sensing and GIS beginning August 19, 2005. The selected candidate will join two existing RS/GIS faculty to support a master’s program, an undergraduate option, and a minor in Geographic Information Processing and Mapping. The successful candidate will also be expected to conduct research, seek external funding, supervise student research, and advise students. Minimum qualifications: Ph.D. in geography or closely related discipline with special emphasis in Remote Sensing, GIS, and Spatial Statistics completed by August 18, 2005; expertise in ERDAS and ESRI products; demonstrated commitment to quality teaching and research, including the ability to secure external funding, record of publication or evidence of other scholarly activity. Preferred qualifications: teaching and research interests in Remote Sensing, GIS, and Spatial Statistics, experience in seeking external funding. Competitive salary and benefits package. Send letter of application, including statement of teaching and research interests, curriculum vitae, copies of transcripts, documentation of scholarly activity, and the names and contact information for three references to: Michael Solem, Association of American Geographers, 1710 Sixteenth Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20009 or e-mail to msolem@aag.org. Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled. Florida Atlantic University is an Equal Opportunity/Equal Access Institution.

*FLORIDA, BOCA RATON 33431. The Department of Geosciences at Florida Atlantic University seeks to fill a tenure-track assistant professor position in human-environmental systems beginning August 2005. A Latin American regional specialty is highly desirable, as the university has a growing research presence in Ecuador. Ph.D. is required at time of appointment, and candidates with teaching and publication/grant experience will be given priority. The successful candidate will be required to teach large sections of World Geography and some combination of the following: The Developing World, Geography of South America, Geography of Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean, Environmental Issues, biogeography, ethnobotany, field methods, as well as courses in the candidate’s particular area of expertise. Candidates must maintain an active research agenda and strong commitment towards procuring external funding. Further information about the Department can be found at www.geosciences.fau.edu. Applicants should send a letter of application, current curriculum vita, a statement of teaching and research interests, and the names and addresses of three references to the address above. APR 05-98.

Apply: Dr. Charles Roberts, Search Committee Chair, Department of Geosciences, PS 336, 777 Clades Road, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL 33431-6991. E-mail applications will not be accepted. Review of applications will begin April 10, 2005 and continue until the position is filled. Florida Atlantic University is an Equal Opportunity/Equal Access Institution.

*KENTUCKY, HIGHLAND HEIGHTS 41099. Northern Kentucky University, Department of Geography. The Department of History and Geography seeks a broadly trained Human Geographer for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position. Applications should have teaching, grant writing, and research interests in two or more of the following areas: Urban Studies, Regional Development, Economic Geography, Geography of Gender. Teaching duties will include courses in one’s areas of expertise as well as in regional geography at both introductory and advanced levels. The position will begin on 15 August 2005. PhD required at time of appointment.

We are a small, collegial program, seeking a colleague who will help us identify regional needs and train students to meet them. Part of this process will include developing opportunities for community based learning via cooperatives, internships, and service learning. The normal course load is 12 hours per semester, though that load may be reduced to accommodate grants and service. We seek a person with enthusiasm and with proven excellence in teaching and community engagement. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Northern Kentucky University, located seven miles from downtown Cincinnati in an area offering outstanding quality of life, is a nationally recognized metropolitan university, committed to active engagement with the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati region. Our institution is built on core values that emphasize multidimensional excellence, learner-centered education, access across the lifespan, civic engagement, diversity and multiculturalism, innovation, collegiality, and collaboration across the disciplines and professional fields. NKU is committed to recruiting and retaining faculty members who have both the interest and ability to work across the full breadth of the University's teaching, research, and public engagement mission.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Candidates should submit (1) a curriculum vita, (2) transcripts of graduate work, (3) a statement of teaching and research goals, (4) evidence of relevant teaching and research experience, and (5) two letters of recommendation as well as contact information on two additional referees. Women and minority candidates are strongly encouraged to apply. NKU is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action employer. Interested candidates are invited to interview at the annual AAG meeting. APR 05-100.

Apply: Dr. John Metz, Chair, Geography Search Committee, Department of History and Geography, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY 41099. Voice mail 859/572-5462. FAX 859/572-6088. Email: metz@skku.edu.

*LOUISIANA, HAMMOND 70402. The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice at Southeastern Louisiana University invites applicants for a tenure-track position at the level of
Assistant Professor commencing August 2005. A Ph.D. degree in geography is required by August 1, 2005.

We seek a well-rounded geographer to teach courses covering physical, human and regional topics to undergraduate, non-geography majors, and to teach international studies to our Applied Sociology graduate students. Competence in computer mapping technologies for research and teaching is also desirable. Additionally, applicants must be committed to working with diversity. Salary is commensurate with experience and qualifications. To ensure consideration, application materials must be received by March 31, 2005. Send letter of application, resume, three current letters of reference, and a copy of ALL transcripts (originals required upon employment) to the address below MAR 05-82-1.

Apply: Gerald T. McNeill, Co-Chair, Search Committee, Sociology & Criminal Justice Department, Southeastern Louisiana University, SLU 10686, Hammond, LA 70402. Southeastern is an AA/ADA/EEO Employer.

MASSACHUSETTS, SALEM 01970. Tenure Track Faculty, Atmospheric Sciences With GIS Skills.

The Department of Geography at Salem State College is seeking a tenure track faculty member to teach undergraduate atmospheric science classes (Weather and Climate lab science, Meteorology, Climatology) and will lead the department's efforts in the development of atmospheric sciences. Required qualifications include ABD status in Geography or a related field and college teaching experience. Preferred is a Ph.D in Geography or a related field with specialization in Atmospheric Geography, as well as expertise in GIS/Computer Techniques. The ability to integrate GIS into classes and to teach GIS classes is required. We prefer candidates with experience in and commitment to teaching in a multicultural, multiethnic environment with students of diverse backgrounds and learning styles, as well as in distance learning and instructional technologies, and candidates who enjoy working as role models and mentors for a diverse student body. Salaries are competitive and commensurate with education and experience. Subject to available funding.

Application review will begin immediately and continue until an adequate pool is achieved. To apply, send letter of application specifying department, reference number, and position for which you are applying, resume, appropriate transcripts and three letters reference to the address below APR 05-91.

Apply: Office of Human Resources & Equal Opportunity, Salem State College, 352 Lafayette Street, Salem, MA 01970. Fax: (978) 542-6163. E-Mail: co-hr@salemstate.edu. (Word or Word Perfect). Refer to 05-AA-F-GEO-ATMOS.

Salem State College is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Persons of color, women and persons with disabilities are strongly urged to apply.

MICHIGAN, EAST LANSING 48824. Assistant/Associate Professor (2 Positions SSC964 & SSC 965) Environmental Policy, Michigan State University.

The Environmental Science & Policy Program (ESPP) at Michigan State University seeks two tenure-system faculty in the area of environmental policy. We are looking for dynamic researchers who are comfortable with interdisciplinary work. We have a special interest in risk as an organizing concept in policy for at least one of these positions. Substantive areas of interest should complement MSU’s environmental strengths (see environment.msu.edu). Some preference will be given to applicants with international experience and skills in languages other than English. Ph.D. or equivalent is required at the time of the appointment.

The positions are academic-year appointments at the rank of Assistant Professor although in some cases a more senior appointment would be considered. The initial appointment would be joint between ESPP and a tenure-granting department or school. The positions will be structured to allow development of a significant research program, and the faculty are expected to develop nationally and internationally renowned research programs with extramural support.

Questions can be e-mailed to the Search Committee at esppsrch@msu.edu. Letters of application should be accompanied by a curriculum vitae, short statement of professional goals, and writing sample. Three letters of reference should also be arranged and mailed separately.

Applications will be reviewed starting on February 24, 2005, and will be accepted until suitable candidates are found. Applications and letters of reference can be mailed to the address below MAR 05-71.


Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. MSU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Institution.

MINNESOTA, SAINT CLOUD, 56301-4498. Saint Cloud State University.

The Department of Geography at Saint Cloud State University invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position to begin late August 2005. We are seeking qualified candidates with strong teaching and research backgrounds in cultural/human geography to teach introductory cultural geography courses within the department’s BA major/minor and MS programs. Ability to offer courses in political, historical, demography, geographic education, world regional geography and/or expertise in a non-European region(s) is desirable. Ability to teach and/or perform effectively, scholarly achievement or research, continued preparation and study, contribution to student growth and development, and service to the university and community is expected. A Ph.D. in Geography, or related field is required by appointment date. Evidence of strong communication and teaching skills to encourage student involvement in the classroom is highly desirable. The successful candidate will have demonstrated ability to teach and work with persons from culturally diverse backgrounds. The Department of Geography is one of the largest in the upper Midwest, and houses majors in Geography, Travel and Tourism, Land Surveying, a minor in GIS, and a masters degree program. For complete position description and more information, contact Dr. Randal G. Baker at rgbaker@stcloudstate.edu. Send complete applications (cover letter, vita, transcripts) and three current letters of recommendation to the address below APR 05-102-1.

Apply: Dr. Randal G. Baker, Search Committee Chair, Department of Geography, Saint Cloud State University, Saint Cloud, Minnesota 56301-4498. All materials must be received by April 11, 2005. E-mailed or faxed applications will not be accepted. SCSU is committed to excellence and actively supporting cultural diversity. To promote this endeavor, we invite individuals who contribute to such diversity to apply, including minorities, women, GLBT, veterans and persons with disabilities. http://condor.stcloudstate.edu/~geog/. SCSU is a member of the Minnesota State College and University System.

MISSOURI, SPRINGFIELD 65804. Southwest Missouri State University. The Department of Geography, Geology and Planning invites applications for a tenure-track position as Director of Graduate Studies. Appointment will be at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor, commensurate with experience, and will begin...
August 2005. Ph.D. in geography is required. Experience with supervision of geography Ph.D. students, evidence of teaching effectiveness, record of sustained research productivity, and demonstrated leadership ability are essential. Experience as graduate studies program director (or equivalent position) in a department with a successful Ph.D. program in geography is desired.

The Department grants undergraduate degrees in geology, geography, cartographic sciences, planning, and earth science education and a Master of Science in geospatial science in geography and geology. The successful candidate would be expected to assume the responsibilities of directing our existing M.S. program in geospatial science and, in collaboration with ten full-time Ph.D. geography faculty members already on staff, develop a viable Ph.D. program in geography. The successful candidate would also be expected to teach graduate and undergraduate courses, advise graduate and undergraduate students, and conduct research in his/her area of geographic specialty.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest and current curriculum vitae and arrange for three reference letters and copies of all academic transcripts to be submitted to the address below.

Apply: Search Committee, Department of Geography, Geology and Planning, Southwest Missouri State University, 901 South National, Springfield, MO 65804. The evaluation of applications will begin March 1, 2005 and will continue until a successful candidate is found. Further information can be obtained at (417) 836-5800 or fax to (417) 836-6006, or visit our web site at geosciences.smsu.edu. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply for this position.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK. The New York Times is looking for versatile cartographers who thrive on the news and can respond on deadline with innovative, compelling maps. Qualifications: *Proficiency with shaded-relief maps, *Proficiency with GIS-generated thematic maps, and *Familiarity with remote sensing and geostatistics.

The job description is broad but simple. Produce maps that clearly describe the biggest current events. It's a powerful platform and a great opportunity for cartographers with a strong journalistic impulse. MAR 05-68.


NORTH CAROLINA, BOONE 28608. Appalachian State University. The Department of Geography and Planning invites applications for a GIS position. This is a full-time academic-year appointment for up to three years, with the possibility of the position converting to the tenure track after three years. A Ph.D. in geography is preferred; ABD candidates will be considered. This position will support our concentration in geographic information science at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The appointee will teach courses in GIS and an introductory geography course; the position includes the opportunity to be involved in development of a distance learning program for GIS. The appointee will be expected to maintain a research agenda. Preference will be given to candidates with a background in GIS applications to human/cultural geography and...
database development. The Department of Geography and Planning maintains three GIS/Cartography/Remote Sensing laboratories and employs a lab supervisor for those facilities. Lab software includes ArcGIS, ArcView, ERDAS Imagine, and a wide variety of other spatial analysis tools.

Starting date - Fall semester 2005. Applicants should send: a) a cover letter identifying professional interests and qualifications, b) detailed CV, c) photocopies of all transcripts, and d) names, addresses, and phone numbers of three references. Closing date for receipt of complete applications is 5:00 p.m., April 1, 2005. Appalachian State University is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from women and minorities. MAR 05-76.

Apply: Dr. Jeffrey Colby, Search Committee Chair, Department of Geography and Planning, Ph. 828-262-3000. Appalachian State University is a member institution of The University of North Carolina System. Appalachian State University is a highly ranked comprehensive university located in the Blue Ridge of western North Carolina. Additional information about Appalachian State University, the Department, and this position can be found at our web site: http://www.geo.appstate.edu.

*NORTH CAROLINA, CHARLOTTE, 28223-0001. The Department of Geography and Earth Sciences at UNCC Charlotte invites applications for a nine-month, tenure-track, Assistant Professor position, but Senior Assistant and Junior Associate applications welcomed. Beginning August 2005. This is a re-structuring of a previously advertised position. We seek an Urban Geographer whose research and teaching interest must be in Urban/Political, Urban Planning, Urban/Social or Urban/Economic. A contemporary focus on North American or Western cities is preferred. The successful candidate will be joining a growing and congenial department with a long-standing commitment to teaching, research and service excellence. Candidates must demonstrate promise of a strong research record as evidenced through peer-reviewed publication and competitive research funding. The successful candidate will be expected to teach undergraduate geography courses reflective of their research expertise, as well as graduate level courses for the MA program in Geography and complement the Department’s developing PhD programming. Candidates must have the PhD at time of appointment or be able to verify that they will have the degree in hand when they begin their contract. Candidates should submit a cover letter, teaching and research statements, transcripts and a curriculum vita with the names of at least three references. AA/EOE. The Department is strongly committed to diversity and women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. APR 05-92-1.

Apply: Dr. Jerry Ingalls, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences, UNC Charlotte, 9201 University City Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28223. Email: jingalls@email.uncc.edu Department Website: http://www.geoearth.uncc.edu

*NORTH CAROLINA, CHARLOTTE, 28223-0001. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences is recruiting a 9-month, non-tenured Earth Science Lecturer to begin Fall 2005. The successful applicant could move into a permanent lecturer position beginning in the Fall 2006. The successful applicant will be responsible for teaching introductory sections of physical geology and/or physical geography, and possibly an upper division course in the area of expertise of the successful candidate. Applicants should have at least a Masters in Geology, Physical Geography or Earth Sciences, PhD is preferred. Teaching experience with introductory courses desired. Starting date is August 15, 2005.

Send applications including curriculum vitae, statement of teaching experience/philosophy, and names and addresses of three references to the address below. APR 05-88.

Apply: Dr. Gerald Ingalls, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, 9201 University City Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28223-0001. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. This is a full-time position which carries benefits. Salary is competitive. Additional information about the department is available at http://www.geoearth.uncc.edu. Questions regarding the position may be addressed to tdclevel@email.uncc.edu.

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

*OHIO, AKRON 44325-5005. The University of Akron. Assistant Professor. The Department of Geography and Planning invites applications for a full-time tenure-track position to begin August 2005. The ideal candidate will have education and/or experience in both geography and planning. All specializations will be considered. However, the department is particularly interested in candidates with strengths in a combination of the following areas: land use planning, community and comparative planning, economic geography, and geo-spatial techniques.

We seek a planner/geographer with a strong orientation towards research and the ability to teach courses in geography and planning ranging from introductory undergraduate geography courses to graduate seminars. The successful candidate is expected to pursue an active program of scholarly research, publication, and external grant funding. Preference will be given to candidates with prior university-level teaching experience and scholarly publications. Ph.D. in geography or planning required at time of appointment.

The department has strengths in geographical and planning methodologies, cartography and GIS, urban/regional planning, and human and regional geography. It offers a BA degree in geography, BA geography/planning, BS degree in geographic information sciences, MA in geography, MS in geography/geographic information sciences, and MA in geography/urban planning. The department also has an active graduate internship program with local business, nonprofits, and government agencies (http://www.uakron.edu/geo/).

Applicants should submit a letter of application and curriculum vitae with the names and addresses of three references. Review of applications will begin 15 March 2005, but applications will continue to be accepted until the position is filled. APR 05-87.

Apply: Dr. Linda Barrett, Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Geography and Planning. Voice: 330/972-6120. Internet: barrett@uakron.edu. Inquiries may be directed to the chair of the search committee. Electronic submissions will be accepted, but must be followed by hard copy.

The University of Akron is an Equal Education and Employment Institution.

*OHIO, OXFORD. Geography: Visiting Assistant Professor/Instructor (two positions) to teach large introductory courses, either Global Forces, Local Diversity, World Regional Geography, or Earth’s Physical Environments, and an advanced seminar that contributes to one of the following areas: comparative urban economics, environmental change, or international development. Require: Ph.D. for appointment as Visiting Assistant Professor, AB/BD status for appointment as Instructor; training and experience appropriate for responsibilities. Desire: Ph.D. teaching experience. Send letter of application, including...
vitae, three letters of reference, and record of teaching (including courses taught and evidence of teaching quality) to the address below. APR 05-84-1.

Apply: Dr. Kimberly Medley, Department of Geography, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio 45056. Contact phone number is 513-529-5010, fax is 513-529-1948. For more information about the department consult the web site at www.muohio.edu/geography. Screening of applicants begins March 21, 2005 and continues until the position is filled. Interviews will be arranged at the April AAG meetings in Denver.

*OKLAHOMA, STILLWATER 74078-4073. Oklahoma State University. The Department of Geography invites applications for a one-year Visiting Assistant Professor for the 2005-06 academic year. The Department is seeking for a geographer specializing in Cultural Ecology and Field Methods/GeoTechniques. Secondary specialties in Latin America and/or GIS are desirable. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching a Field Methods course, Cultural Ecology, World Regional Geography, and possibly courses in Latin America and introductory GIS. The Field Methods course is oriented to the use of GPS and other field-based technology used in geographic research. Applicants holding the PhD will be given preference, although late phase ABD applicants will be considered.

OSU Geography is a doctoral-granting department housed in the College of Arts and Sciences, and currently has 13 tenure-line faculty positions, 50 undergraduate majors, and 45 graduate students. OSU is a Land Grant University with a student population of approximately 23,000. Stillwater is an attractive community of 40,000 equidistant from Tulsa and Oklahoma City. Further information on the department is available at http://www.geog.okstate.edu.

Applicants must submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference by May 1, 2005. Women and minority candidates are strongly encouraged to apply. EO/AAE APR 05-105-1.

Apply: Dr. Dale Lightfoot, Head, Department of Geography, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK 74078-4073. Voice: 405-744-6250. FAX: 405-744-5620. E-Mail: drlight@okstate.edu

TEXAS, HOUSTON 77027. The Houston-Galveston Area Council is looking for an individual experienced with Census data and having excellent GIS and quantitative skills to fill a Demographer/GIS Analyst position in its Forecasting group. The group develops long-range forecasts of population, employment, and land use for the Houston CMSA, as well as for small area geography, and analyzes spatial patterns of growth. For more information and application procedures, please visit http://h-gac.com/HGAC/Home/Jobs MAR 05-70.

TEXAS, LUBBOCK 79409-1014. Texas Tech University. Full-time tenure track Assistant Professor, beginning Fall 2005. Applicants must have Ph.D. by time of appointment. We seek applicants with research experience and expertise in environmental geography. Applicants with expertise in GIS and/or remote sensing as it relates to human-environmental interactions and/or biogeography, are strongly encouraged to apply.

The candidate will be expected to teach courses in his or her area of expertise and contribute to the further development of the GIS/remote sensing program in the department. Teaching load is typically 2-3 courses per semester. The department maintains two modern and well-equipped GIS labs and the university supports a campus-wide ESRI site license. High quality teaching and scholarship are expected for tenure.

There is currently no graduate geography program in the department but all geography faculty teach graduate courses and work with graduate students and other faculty in an interdisciplinary environment. The university also has formal interdisciplinary research programs in water resources, and lands studies, Latin American studies, wind engineering, environmental health, and land use planning. Additional information about the Geography Program can be found at http://www.depts.ttu.edu/economicsandgeography/.

Please send a letter of application, vitae, and names and addresses (postal and e-mail) of three references. Review of applications will begin on April 20. Texas Tech University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and is sensitive to the needs of dual career couples. MAR 05-80.

Apply: Chair, Geography Search Committee, Department of Economics and Geography.

VERMONT, MIDDLETOWN 05753. The Geography Department at Middlebury College seeks to fill two positions at the Visiting Instructor (ABD) or Assistant Professor (Ph.D) level. These are one year replacements. We seek candidates who have expertise in one or more of the following areas: GIS, cartography, or geographical thought. In addition, the candidates may be expected to teach courses in his or her areas of specialization. A strong commitment to undergraduate education is essential. Please send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and three letters of recommendation at least two of which address teaching ability. We will begin reviewing applications on March 10 and will continue until the positions are filled. Middlebury College is an equal opportunity employer, committed to hiring a diverse faculty to complement the increasing diversity of the student body. MAR 05-69.

Apply: Tamar Mayer, Chair, Department of Geography, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753.

* VIRGINIA, RICHMOND, 23173. The University of Richmond invites applications for a one-year term Visiting Assistant Professor to be filled by a human, political, or economic geographer who can support the International Studies, Environmental Studies, and Geography programs. Teaching responsibilities include introductory courses in human geography, world regional geography, and GIS, as well as courses in the applicant’s primary area of specialization. Appointment begins in the fall of 2005. The successful candidate should have a completed doctorate and a strong commitment to teaching in an undergraduate liberal arts setting. The University of Richmond is a highly selective private institution dedicated to excellence in both teaching and scholarship, is committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty and strongly encourages applications from women and minorities.

Applicants should submit a letter of application, a curriculum vitae, three letters of reference and a statement of teaching philosophy and teaching evaluations to the address below. APR 05-104.

Apply: Dr. Chris Stevenson, Search Committee Chair, Environmental Studies Program, University of Richmond, VA 23173. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

INTERNATIONAL


The University invites applicants for the position of Director of the Centre for Resource and Environmental Studies (CRES), who will also serve as Foundation Director of the newly established cross-campus ANU Institute for the Environment (ANUIE).
As Director of CRES, the successful applicant will provide academic leadership, strategic planning and research and postgraduate education coordination to the Centre, and is responsible for the development, operation, administration and financial management of the Centre. As Director of ANUIE, the appointee will also provide leadership, foster collaboration and drive strategic development of environment-related research and education across the University and chair the governing board.

The successful applicant will have an outstanding international reputation relevant to one or more areas of environment, resource management, and sustainability, possess demonstrated ability in academic leadership of interdisciplinary teams, and have a commitment to research training and innovative education. The appointee will have skills in leadership, administration, research management, attracting external funding and forming linkages, and outreach and advocacy within and outside the University.

The successful candidate will be offered a continuing appointment as Professor of the University. The Directorship of CRES and of ANUIE are initial five year terms with scope for renewal of both upon mutual agreement.

Selection Criteria: http://info.anu.edu.au/hr/jobs/ or from Margo Davies, T: (61) 2 6125 4588, E: Margo.Davies@anu.edu.au.

Enquiries Professor Mike Hutchinson, Acting Director, CRES, T: (61) 2 6125 4588, E: Director.CRES@anu.edu.au or Professor Peter Kanowski, Convenor, National Institute for Environment, T: (61) 2 6125 2667, E: Peter.Kanowski@anu.edu.au. Closing Date: Thursday 31 March 2005.

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* CANADA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, PRINCE GEORGE V2N 4Z9 The University of Northern British Columbia, in conjunction with the Geography Program, invites applications for a full-time 18-month term position in physical geography at the rank of Lecturer or Assistant Professor (subject to budgetary approval). The anticipated term for this position is July 1, 2005 – December 31, 2006. The successful candidate will teach introductory physical geography (‘Environments and People’), fluvial geomorphology, and either limnology or hydrology. A PhD is desirable; however, ABD candidates will also be considered. Candidates who wish to conduct environmental research are especially welcome to apply.

UNBC is a small, research-intensive university located in central British Columbia, an environment that caters to field-based research and learning. It boasts state-of-the-art research infrastructure, including on-campus laboratories and the Quesnel River Research Centre (see www.unbc.ca/qrrc).

Please forward your letter of application, curriculum vitae and three letters of reference (including telephone, fax, and email information) quoting competition #FACE08-05AAG to the address below. APR 05-89-1.

Apply: Dr. J. Howard Brunt, Vice-President Academic & Provost, University of Northern British Columbia, 3333 University Way, Prince George, B.C., V2N 4Z9. Fax: (250) 960-7300. Please direct inquiries to: Dr. Gail Fondahl, Chair of the Geography Program, at Telephone (250) 960-8586, E-mail: fondahlg@unbc.ca. Electronic submissions of CVs can be forwarded to: FacultyRecruitment@unbc.ca. Applications received on or before March 31, 2005 will receive full consideration, however, applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Northern British Columbia is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities and members of visible minorities.

CANADA, ONTARIO, WATERLOO N2L 3G1 The Department of Geography at the University of Waterloo invites applications for a tenured faculty position in Geography. The appointment will be at the full or associate professor level for a specialist in Remote Sensing. Preference will be given to applicants who have experience with the use of remote sensing in environmental modelling and are knowledgeable in other areas of Geomatics, particularly spatial statistics. We seek a person who has an established and well-funded research program with a demonstrated ability to attract graduate students. A second area of expertise linking to other areas of specialty in the department will be an advantage. The successful candidate will join a strong team of geomatics specialists at Waterloo and will contribute to teaching at both the graduate and undergraduate levels.

The Department of Geography is part of the Faculty of Environmental Studies. For additional information about the Department see: http://www.les.uwaterloo.ca/geography/.

Applications must have a Ph.D. Start date for the appointment is open to negotiation, but the successful candidate is expected to be on campus no later than January 1, 2006. Applications must include statements of career objectives, research interests, and the applicant’s approach to teaching and learning. Applicants must include with the letter of application a curriculum vitae and the names (with contact information) of four referees. The first stage in the review of applications will be based on the application and C.V. Referees will be contacted for those being considered in the second stage of the review. The review of applications will commence March 21, 2005 and continue until the position is filled. MAR 05-81.

Applications should be sent to: Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Geography, Faculty of Environmental Studies, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario N2L 3G1 Canada.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Waterloo encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including women, members of visible minorities, native peoples, and persons with disabilities.

MEXICO, MEXICO CITY. The National University of Mexico (UNAM). The Institute of Geography at UNAM invites applications for the following positions:

(1) Post-Doctoral Research Fellowships for two years in either physical or human geography. Ph. D. required at the time of appointment, candidates must have earned their doctorate in the last three years before their application date, candidates in the process of completing such degree may be considered. A minimum of two previous publications is required. Candidates must present a research project complying to the main research lines of the Institute of Geography. Along the year there are two dates to present applications. (i) for fellowships starting in September, deadline will be mid June, results will be available at the beginning of July. (ii) for fellowships starting in March, the deadline will be mid November, results will be available at the beginning of December.

(2) Social/Economic Geographer with demonstrated expertise in urban, population, or environmental geography, at the Associate Researcher level. Ph. D. required at the time of appointment, candidates in the process of completing such degree may be considered. A postdoctoral stay or previous publications is a necessity. The successful candidate is expected to be effective in teaching at graduate or undergraduate level, to demonstrate professional achievement and growth through continued research and publication, and to engage in
obtaining external funding for individual and/or collaborative research. All applications will be considered until position is filled. Send letter of application describing research and teaching interests, vitae, and names and addresses of three references. UNAM is an equal opportunity employer.

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with demonstrated expertise in GIS at the Associate Researcher level. Expertise on nature-society relations is desirable. Ph. D. required at the time of appointment, candidates in the process of completing such degree may be considered. A postdoctoral stay or previous publications is a necessity. The successful candidate is expected to be effective in teaching at graduate or undergraduate level, to demonstrate professional achievement and growth through continued research and publication, and to engage in obtaining external funding for individual and/or collaborative research. All applications will be considered until position is filled. Send letter of application describing research and teaching interests, vitae, and names and addresses of three references. UNAM is an equal opportunity employer.

The Institute of Geography-UNAM (www.igeograf.unam.mx) is the biggest and most important center for geographical research in Mexico. MAR 05-73.

Additional information and applications: Dr. Adrian G. Aguilar, Director, Institute of Geography, UNAM, Tel. +52-55-5622-4341; fax +52-55-5616-2145; e-mail: adrian@servidor.unam.mx.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. United Arab Emirates University. ‘Geography’ Teaching Positions

The University, established in 1977, is located in Al-Ain, a historic oasis city known for its flowers and gardens. The University emphasizes quality in its varied undergraduate programs and its selective graduate programs. In addition to its accredited programs in Engineering (ABET substantial equivalency recognition) and Business (AACS), the University is seeking accreditation with the U.S. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

The United Arab Emirates is known for its rapid growth and for the open and tolerant society which has resulted from that growth.

The Opportunity: We seek faculty excited by the prospect of growth in the teaching and research programs of a forward-looking institution. Qualified faculty is sought at the levels of Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and Professor for academic year 2005-2006 (which starts in September 2005). University instruction is delivered in English with the exception of courses in Arabic and Islamic Studies.

Instructors are expected to be holders of “Masters degree”. Other ranks must hold the terminal degree in the appropriate discipline. The principal responsibility of each faculty is undergraduate instruction. Active research is expected as well. Excellent research facilities and a variety of support are provided. Opportunities are available in the accounting teaching positions.

Geography Department

(1) Human Geography (With expertise in economic geography, globalization and location theory. Ability to teach GIS and statistical geography is desirable)

(2) Physical Geography (With emphasis in fluvial and arid lands geomorphology. Remote sensing and GIS application are especially desirable)

(3) Geographical Information System (With emphasis in the techniques and their use in any field of geography, but especially desirable are applications to land use, and the study of land forms)

Salaries and Benefits: Tax-exempt compensation package; Housing provided; Furniture and utilities allowances; Employer paid comprehensive health insurance; Educational allowance for children; Annual airline tickets for employee and family members; End of service gratuity, and Generous vacation package.

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### Events

#### APRIL
- **15.** AAG Middle Atlantic Division Meeting. Reston, VA. Contact Dave Kirklant at dakirklant@usgs.gov or Sheryl Liu Zadder at sbleach@gmu.edu.

#### MAY
- **27-29.** Grosvenor Center for Geographical Education, 3rd International Conference on Research in Geographical Education. San Marcos, TX. [www.geography.ssc.uwo.ca/cag05](http://www.geography.ssc.uwo.ca/cag05).

#### JUNE
- **8-10.** 62nd Eastern Snow Conference. Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. [www.easternsnow.org](http://www.easternsnow.org/).
- **25-26.** AAG Healthy Departments Workshop. Freeport, ME. To apply contact Richard Marston at marston@okstate.edu.

#### JULY
- **5-9.** 11th International Medical Geography Symposium. Fort Worth, TX. [www.research.umbc.edu/~earickso/Symposium11.html](http://www.research.umbc.edu/~earickso/Symposium11.html).
- **18-22.** Conference of Caribbean Geographers. Mona, Antigua. Contact David Barker at david.barker@uwimona.edu.jm.

#### AUGUST

#### SEPTEMBER
- **22-24.** AAG Great Plains/Rocky Mountain Division Meeting. Laramie, WY. [www.uwyo.edu/geog](http://www.uwyo.edu/geog).
- **29-October 2.** 16th Festival International de Géographie. Saint-Dié-des-Vosges, France. [www.ville-saintdie.fr](http://www.ville-saintdie.fr/).
- **30-October 2.** AAG New England St. Lawrence Valley Division Meeting. Keene, NH. Contact: Jo Beth Mullens at jmullens@keene.edu.

#### OCTOBER
- **14-15.** AAG Middle States Division Meeting. Chautauqua, NY. Contact Ann Deaklin at deaklin@fredonia.edu.
- **21-22.** AAG East Lakes Division Meeting. Bowling Green, OH. Contact Arthur N. Samel at ansamel@bgnet.bgsu.edu.
- **27-29.** Joint Meeting of the Pioneer America Society and the Eastern Historical Geography Historical Society. Baton Rouge, LA. Contact Craig Colten at ccolten@lsu.edu.

#### NOVEMBER
- **3-5.** AAG West Lakes Division Meeting. Iowa City, IA. Contact Rex Honey at rex-honey@uiowa.edu.
- **9-12.** AAG Southwest Division Meeting. Fayetteville, AR. [www.swaag.net/](http://www.swaag.net/).
- **20-22.** AAG Southeast Division Meeting. West Palm Beach, FL. Contact Russ Ivy at ivy@fau.edu.

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Nominations Invited for AAG Honors

The Honors Committee of the AAG invites nominations for AAG Honors to be conferred in 2006. AAG Honors are given in recognition of outstanding contributions to the advancement or welfare of the profession in five categories: Lifetime Career Honors, Distinguished Scholarship Honors, Distinguished Teaching Honors, Ronald F. Abler Distinguished Service Honors, and Gilbert Grosvenor Honors for Geography Education. Normally no more than one award will be made in each category. No more than six individuals may be recommended for AAG Honors in a single year. In addition to honors, the committee may recommend a Publication Award and a Media Achievement Award each year.

Nominees must be AAG members if they are residents of the United States; if they reside elsewhere the membership requirement is waived. In some cases professionals from other disciplines or professions are eligible for consideration.

Geographers or other professionals previously honored may be nominated again for distinction achieved since their first awards. See the handbook section of a recent issue of the Guide to Geography Programs in North America for a complete list of past honors award recipients. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2005.

Send six copies of the nominating letter and the candidate’s CV to the Honors Committee Chair: Kim England, Department of Geography, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195 england@u.washington.edu. Email submissions are acceptable. The nominating letter should provide justification for the award and may include a proposed citation of no more than 200 words. Solicitation of support letters from additional nominators is welcome and should be limited to no more than five.

Other members of the Honors Committee are: Amy Glasmeier, akg1@ems.psu.edu; Susan Roberts, geg207@uky.edu; Steve Walsh, swalsh@email.unc.edu; James Wheeler, jowheel@uga.edu; and Julie Winkler, winkler@msu.edu.

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