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Court Rules for Open Access to California Geodata

In a precedent-setting decision the California Court of Appeal has affirmed that public agencies must provide their geodata at the cost of duplication and may not restrict how a requestor may use or redistribute the data. Following a legal battle of three years, Santa Clara County has provided a copy of its GIS parcel basemap data to the California First Amendment Coalition (CFAC) in compliance with California's Public Record Act. Santa Clara County had been selling its geodata for \$158,000. The cost CFAC finally paid was \$3.10 per disk, plus shipping.

"We have always believed that the public should have essentially free, unrestricted access to digital mapping data that were created by the government with public funds" said Peter Scheer, Executive Director of CFAC.

The Court of Appeal affirmed a decision by the California Superior Court that both the Critical Infrastructure Information Act and the accompa-

nying Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulations do not shield county parcel basemaps from public scrutiny. These federal regulations make a distinction between submitters of Protected Critical Infrastructure Information to DHS and recipients of such information from DHS. The Court of Appeal was also clear that California government entities do not have the right to use copyright law to restrict disclosure or impose limitations on the use of their data, which had been another one of the County's justifications for selling its data.

Of the eight counties that still charge more than the direct cost of duplication for their parcel basemap data, Bruce Joffe, founder of the Open Data Consortium project, said that he hopes they will quickly reset their data cost policy according to the Court decision.

For more information on this issue, see www.firstamendmentcoalition.org. ■

Monumental Washington

"A Civic Rite of Passage"

Each year, twenty-five million visitors come to Washington D.C. For many the experience is a "civic rite of passage." D.C. has hundreds of memorials, from statues of generals on horseback (of which there are dozens) to lesser-known memorials and fountains located on side streets or tucked away in small parks. But most visitors focus their visit on the "Monumental Core" of the National Mall, the geographic centerpiece of the capital city.

Washington D.C., like most national capitals, contains spaces for public assembly and ceremony, and stages for the enacting of the rituals of nationhood. In

Washington, D.C. these are almost exclusive to the National Mall. This is the Washington of postcard images and the evening news; this is the Washington most come to see. Those of you coming to Washington, D.C. for the 2010 AAG Annual Meeting will want to plan some time to see it too, especially if you've never been or haven't been in a long time.

The National Mall is an expression of our democratic experience, and visitors "read" the Mall as a physical expression of national identity. Geographers have long referred to "place as text" to decode the landscape and to show that memorials and monuments are not merely ornamental features in the urban landscape, but are highly symbolic signifiers that confer meaning on urban space; they represent the politics of power.

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The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is one of many ritual spaces on the National Mall. See article at right. Washington, D.C. will be the site of the 2010 AAG Annual Meeting.

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Geography and Climate Change

Geographers have long played key roles in climate change research, and geography's tools and methods are and will be crucial to understanding, limiting, and adapting to climate changes in the decades ahead.

After years of delay and denial, responsible climate change research and responsive policy agendas are now assuming center stage in the Obama administration. Nearly all federal agencies now have legacy or newly-mandated and funded research programs that actively seek to identify causes and impacts of global climate change, and policies for mitigating or adapting to these impacts. As a discipline with long experience in the integration of the physical and social sciences, geography offers a well-placed bridge that can bring together the disparate natural and human system elements of climate change research and policy.

The US Congress is now poised to undertake debate and potential definitive legislative action on several major climate change legislative bills during Spring of 2010, precisely during the timeframe of the AAG's upcoming Annual meeting. For these reasons and more, *Geography and Climate Change* has been designated as one of several key overarching and featured themes of the AAG's Annual meeting to be held in Washington, DC this next Spring, on April 14-18, 2010. Both the timing and the venue of this particular AAG Annual Meeting affords geographers around the world a uniquely significant opportunity to showcase geography's contributions to climate change research, and to engage and influence US national and international policy on climate change, at a critical juncture in its formulation. This will be a most meaningful moment for geographers to interact with federal agency researchers and US national policy makers on perhaps the most consequential issue of

our generation, both at the AAG meeting itself and throughout the city, including on Capitol Hill.

The AAG currently has invitations pending to several high-level Obama administration officials to attend and speak at our AAG gathering, expected to number 7,000 attendees. Based on the responses we have received to date, we anticipate that several senior climate change officials and scientists will be in attendance, and that the dialogue at the AAG meeting this spring will provide an important national and international forum for addressing and moving forward key science and policy dimensions



Richardson

of the climate change issue.

Many special sessions on Climate Change at the AAG Annual Meeting will also bring together top scientists and climate change policy leaders to explore coordination and synergy of climate change research and mitigation programs across multiple government agencies, and to enhance collaboration among governmental researchers and policy makers with university researchers and educators.

For example, Carol Harden's presidential plenary will form the Opening Keynote Session of this year's AAG Annual Meeting, and will feature *America's Climate Choices*, a major ongoing National Academy of Sciences (NAS) study in which geographers and geographic analysis have played a central role. This study will be released just prior to the AAG Annual Meeting, and this AAG keynote session will be one of the first public presentations of the study results. A primary goal of the NAS *America's Climate Choices* study is to address cross-cutting issues associated with global climate change, including the science and technology challenges involved, to identify effective steps and promising strategies that can inform and

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Geographers and Journalists

Got stories?

Geographers have wonderful stories, some that share information and others that relate the adventures of gaining new knowledge. But, although academic geographers are good at telling stories to captive audiences and to each other, many (including this author) have not yet developed either the voice or the practical network for capturing the attention of public audiences. We need to bridge that gap to increase our visibility and to steer the public perception of geography closer to reality (no, we don't spend the time between classes quizzing each other on the state capitals!). Given that public audiences contain potential students, employers, and decision-makers, helping them understand what we do should help us, too.

I've recently met with three journalists in my quest to better understand academic-to-public communications. What I've learned can be summarized in three points: reach out to journalists, offer them newsworthy stories, and be optimistically proactive.

Reach out to journalists

Many of our institutions have Public Relations (PR) systems. Ask your PR person how he/she can help you. Generally, the PR office selects stories most likely to succeed, packages stories for public audiences, and contacts the media. Talking to a PR person has the added benefit of increasing his/her understanding of what geographers study. But don't stop there; contact reporters directly, too.

Most active reporting these days is done by newspapers, with other media frequently deriving stories from newspapers. Reporters are more often criticized than praised, and they always need new stories. You could begin a relationship with a journalist by congratulating her/him on a good piece or offering a story, succinctly summarized. Save your local reporter from having to go, yet again, to the courts for news. Provide the reporter with something visual. A picture remains worth 1,000 words, even to radio reporters.

A well-written press release can deliver information efficiently, but most land in the circular file. We academics tend to load the front end of a press release with names, titles, and affiliations, only presenting the core idea later. In contrast, the journalist begins with the core idea and only later (and minimally) mentions the source.

After establishing communication with a reporter, continue to send story ideas, perhaps quarterly. The reporter may hold a story for a later time when space is available. Remembering that the reporter, not you, will be telling your story. Be flexible about the result, which will differ from your own telling. Try to have "geography" or "geographer" appear.

What's newsworthy?

Much of what seems newsworthy in academia (promotions, big grants, a new hire) doesn't begin to interest the public. Worse, the public may respond to news of a substantial research grant by questioning a tuition increase. News must have value for local people: something fascinating, information they can use, or something of local relevance.

We geographers pride ourselves on understanding context and culture. Here's the test: can we frame our work to correspond with public values? Take heart, newsworthiness can be enhanced by strategic packaging. One tried and true strategy is to link a story to the anniversary of a related event of general interest, like Rachel Carson's publication of *Silent Spring* or the opening of a local highway.

Watch your language!

When we want the media to tell our story, we must watch our language. Some terms to avoid with the public are land use, stationarity, anomaly, uncertainty, discourse, GIS, geomorphology, Holocene, ENSO,

cryosphere, political ecology, physical geography.... Yes, it's going to be challenging, and yes, you'll need to define one or two terms you can't live without, but it's important to avoid terms that are not public parlance while, at the same time, maintaining the intellectual content. There's

a silver lining to meeting this challenge—learning to speak without jargon can lead to greater success in proposal writing, multidisciplinary research, and conversations with your mother.

Be proactive and optimistic

The media are changing. Now we have wikis, twitters, and blogs as well as OpEds and classic journalism. Is blogging an effective way to launch your research results into the public domain? My informants prefer up-to-date websites and personal contacts. And, compared to a blog, a good website is more visible to internet searches.

My quest has revealed some good tips. Consider adding a line to a research proposal to pay a science writer. That worked well in another department on my campus. Consider taking, or encouraging students to take a science-writing course. Science writing, which encompasses social science as well as "hard" sciences, attracts individuals with backgrounds in science rather than in journalism; thus, geography students in a science-writing course can find themselves comfortably among other non-journalists.

What I've learned has changed me. I'm not ready for a long-term commitment, like those of Neal Lineback and Mandy Linebank Gritzner in their weekly *Geography In The News*TM, or Harm de Blij in his years with ABC's *Good Morning America*, but I'm ready to take smaller steps to make geography more visible. Please join me. ■

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Harden

guide national and global responses to climate change.

Geography was exceptionally well represented in the NAS study, with three of the study's four investigative panels led or co-led by geographers, and many other geographers involved in key components of the research. Presenters at the AAG's presidential session on *America's Climate Choices* will include Diana Liverman, vice-chair of the NAS study's Informing Decisions panel; Marilyn Brown, vice-chair of the Limiting Emissions panel; Tom Wilbanks, vice-chair of the Adapting to Impacts panel; and Billie Lee Turner of the Advancing Science panel. Other geographers involved in the NAS study included Ruth DeFries, Bob Kates, Susi Moser, Jim Buizer, and Linda Mearns.

Hundreds of other sessions addressing geographical dimensions of Climate Change are planned for the AAG's Washington, DC meeting. These include a ten-year retrospective analysis of the AAG's *Global Changes, Local Places* research program and publication, with implications for current policy and research in the climate change field; presentations on three new AAG programs focused on climate change education and teaching; perspectives on the use of GIS in climate change regulatory and enforcement strategies, including cap and trade scenarios; and sessions sponsored by US federal agencies on fostering inter-agency synergies and coordination of climate change programs. Numerous other sessions will cover the full gamut of current climate change research, ranging from

carbon sequestration and climate change modeling to vulnerability analyses and social equities of climate change control and adaptation policies.

I encourage geographers from around the globe to bring to the fore their research and perspectives on climate change and related topics during the coming pivotal months of this debate. The AAG's Annual Meeting in Washington, DC may well represent the most important time and place for geography to engage and influence the far reaching science and public policy (and inherently geographical) decisions now confronting us on the issue of climate change.

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Visiting Geographical Scientist Program Expands Support to Minority-Serving Institutions

The Visiting Geographical Scientist Program (VGSP), sponsored by Gamma Theta Upsilon (GTU) and the AAG, has announced the addition of supplemental support for applications involving Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges, Hispanic-Serving Institutions and other Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs).

The VGSP sponsors visits by prominent geographers to colleges and universities across the country. Its purpose is to stimulate interest in geography, especially

in small departments that do not have the resources to host well-known speakers. Participating institutions select and make arrangements with the visiting geographer. The program requires that one scientist visit two or more institutions over a one-to-three day period. The VGSP covers travel costs and provides a small honorarium to the speaker.

Expanded support for VGSP is made possible by funding from the National Science Foundation as an aspect of the AAG's ALIGNED Project (Addressing

Locally-tailored Information Infrastructure & Geoscience Needs for Enhancing Diversity).

Minority-serving institutions are not required to have active Gamma Theta Upsilon (GTU) chapters.

Information on applying is available on the AAG's website at www.aag.org/Education/aag/edu_visitinggeoscientist.cfm.

Questions and requests for additional information may be directed to Matthew Koeppel at mkoeppel@aag.org. ■

AAG Historical GIS Website and Sessions

www.aag.org/historical_gis

The AAG's new Historical GIS Clearinghouse and Forum is now available online. Designed to help scholars address significant challenges involved in creating GIS-based historical archives and conducting historical research using GIS, visitors may both explore and contribute to this interactive site, created through the award of a Chairman's Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

The AAG is also currently organizing scholarly panels and workshops on historical research and geographic technologies for the AAG's 2010 Annual Meeting, to be held in Washington, D.C., April 14-18. Deadline for the submission of abstracts for the Annual Meeting is **November 18, 2009**. See www.aag.org/annualmeetings for more information and to register.

AAG Invites Applications for Geography Education Workshop in Singapore

The AAG has received a grant from the National Science Foundation to support a workshop, "Expanding U.S.-Asia Collaborations in Geography Education," to be held on the campus of Nanyang Technological University in Singapore from March 14-18, 2010.

Open to faculty and both graduate and undergraduate students, the workshop will foster new educational collaborations among geographers and students in the United States, East Asia, and Southeast Asia. Faculty applicants are encouraged to apply simultaneously with a graduate or undergraduate student from their department, but individual faculty and student applications will be accepted.

Based on the AAG's Center for Global Geography Education (CGGE), goals of the workshop will be to familiarize participants with the CGGE modules and strategies for conducting successful international collaborations among undergraduates; to

develop new case studies and student activities for the six CGGE modules, focusing on geographic issues in East and Southeast Asia; to introduce and model concepts and practices in global learning and online collaboration at the international scale; and to plan collaborative research projects analyzing the effects of international collaboration on student learning of geography concepts and awareness of U.S. and Asian perspectives of geographic issues. CGGE is a project funded by the NSF to enhance undergraduate learning of international perspectives on geographic issues.

CGGE modules provide case studies exploring issues in different countries as well as online activities that support international collaborative learning. Six CGGE modules are currently available: Population and Natural Resources, National Identity, Migration, Global Climate Change, Water Resources, and Global Economy. CGGE modules are intended for undergraduate in-

struction and can be accessed at no charge by visiting <http://globalgeography.aag.org>.

The workshop grant will pay for lodging (five nights shared accommodation, arriving Sunday, March 14 and departing Friday, March 19), meals (breakfast, lunch, and afternoon tea on March 15-18), and local transportation during the workshop. Participants will be responsible for evening dinners on March 15-18 and must bring a laptop computer. Travel support is available for U.S. citizens and permanent residents only.

For a workshop application form and details regarding participant eligibility, the workshop program and a schedule of events, visit the CGGE homepage at <http://globalgeography.aag.org>.

Applications must be received by **November 15, 2009**. Please direct questions to the workshop organizer, Michael Solem (msolem@aag.org). ■

AAG Annual Meeting: Field Trips and Workshops

The AAG is currently seeking field trip and workshop proposals for the upcoming 2010 Annual Meeting, to be held April 14-18, in Washington, D.C. If you are interested in organizing a field trip or workshop for the 2010 AAG Annual Meeting, visit www.aag.org/annualmeetings for the appropriate submission forms or contact Oscar Larson at meeting@aag.org for more information. The submission deadline for the Annual Meeting has been extended to **November 18, 2009**.

Many exciting field trips have already been scheduled, including "From DC's Dairy to DC's Wine Country," "Boundary

Stones of the District of Columbia," "Slavery, War, and a Town Transformed: Exploring Fredericksburg's Cultural Landscapes." Additional field trips are currently being planned to explore Antietam National Battlefield, DC's African-American Heritage Trail, George Washington's Mount Vernon estate, Frederick Law Olmstead's influence on the National Mall, Maryland's Eastern Shore, the historic U-Street Corridor, Baltimore's Inner Harbor, the Library of Congress, the C&O Canal, and the Goddard Space Flight Center.

The growing workshop schedule includes "Simple Tools for Lake and

Watershed Assessment," "Hands-on GPS Mapping," "Understanding and Improving Departmental Climate," "Ethical Research in Practice," "Publishing Across National, Institutional, and Linguistic Borders," and many others.

An additional excursion to see the Washington Nationals baseball club play a home game on Friday evening, April 16, is currently in the planning stages.

Visit www.aag.org/annualmeetings/2010 frequently to view an updated list of available AAG field trips and workshops. ■

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A Monumental Feast

AAG Annual Meeting Restaurant Recommendations

Those readers currently planning to visit Washington D.C. for the 2010 AAG Annual Meeting might wonder what the city has to offer beyond an impressive array of monuments and museums. One answer to that question is that it is quite possible to eat one's way through the nation's capital, happily and tastily. In fact, any member of the AAG staff or the AAG's Local Arrangements Committee would undoubtedly testify to DC's well-deserved reputation as a foodie's paradise. Still the problem: *where to go?* Well, since you asked...

Below, AAG staff and LAC members offer their recommendations for fabulous local eats. But be aware, these aren't the *only* places or necessarily even the *very best* ones – just some suggestions for great meals that immediately come to mind – Washington, D.C. and the surrounding environs (from Alexandria, Virginia to Silver Spring, Maryland and beyond) is filled with dozens more. Many of these are of course authentic ethnic restaurants that reflect the area's burgeoning mosaic of cultures from around the world, while others are simply time-honored local institutions that shouldn't be missed. What they share is that they all help to make Washington, D.C. what it is: a fascinating and ever-changing cosmopolitan mix of peoples and traditions and a truly unique place we locals hope to share with all of you when you visit us next spring. Enjoy!

Alero Restaurant and Lounge

Everything you are looking for in a neighborhood Mexican restaurant including specials on margaritas served with freshly made tortilla chips and authentic salsa. But the best part is the attentive wait staff, fun atmosphere, and relatively low prices. Just one metro stop away from the conference hotel. Alero is in Cleveland Park at 3500 Connecticut Avenue NW. www.alerorestaurant.com.

Amsterdam Falafelshop

A great place to grab a quick lunch. Delicious falafel pita sandwiches with an array of garnishes that you can choose. Also serves some of the best french fries around (actually, Dutch-style fries). Located in Adams Morgan (in the heart of the local bar and music scene) at 2425 18th Street NW. www.falafelshop.com.

2Amys Neapolitan Pizzeria

Delicious rustic pizzas and other Italian specialties. Their Neapolitan pizzas are formally recognized as authentic by the Italian government. Always bustling but definitely worth it! Located at 3715 Macomb Street NW, near the National Cathedral, between Wisconsin and Massachusetts Avenues. Not far from the conference hotel. www.2amyspizza.com.

Ben's Chili Bowl

A DC institution since the 1950s. Best chili dog and fries anywhere and a can't miss stop for visitors to the popular U Street corridor and music scene. Photos of stars and politicians like Duke Ellington, Bill Cosby, and Jesse Jackson cover the walls. This place is the real deal. 1213 U Street NW. www.benschilibowl.com.

Bistro du Coin

Trestle tables covered over with white paper and a zinc-topped bar stocked with all the aperitifs of the Old Country help to lend authenticity to this decidedly French bistro in the DuPont Circle neighborhood. A raucous environment fueled by good, cheap house wine, late hours and boisterous proprietors set the lively tone. Classic bistro fare such as steamed mussels, cassoulet, and steak frites comprises the menu. House specialties include tripes a la nicoise and steak tartare. 1738 Connecticut Avenue NW. www.bistrotducoin.com.

BlackSalt

Enter via the fish market and pass the bar to find what one member of the AAG's local arrangements committee calls the best fish restaurant in town. A little on the pricey side but worth every penny. Its owners are environmentally aware and actively support sustainable aquaculture and harvesting practices. Reservations recommended. 4883 MacArthur Blvd NW. www.blacksaltrestaurant.com.

Bohemian Caverns

In 1926, a little jazz club opened in the basement of a drugstore located at 11th and U Streets called Club Caverns. Washington's elite dressed in their most formal attire to be entertained by Duke Ellington, Cab Calloway,

and many other jazz greats. Today, Bohemian Caverns houses a restaurant named Mahogany. Together this jazz club and restaurant form one of the U Street corridor's most unique attractions. www.bohemiancaverns.com.

Busboys and Poets

Busboys and Poets is more than a restaurant: it's a bookstore, a fair trade market, a gathering place and an environment that encourages discussion of social justice and progressive politics. Wednesdays are open mike nights for poets. Check the website closer to the AAG Annual Meeting date to see which authors are on tap for open discussion nights. Recent guests have included Ralph Nader and Cornell West. www.busboysandpoets.com.

Cashion's Eat Place

Great food at good prices in a relaxed neighborhood restaurant. Stylish and inviting with a great wine list. A great go-to place for any occasion. Not open for lunch. We recommend the Sunday brunch. 1819 Columbia Road NW. www.cashionseatplace.com

El Chalan

If you are looking for a quiet, cozy, out-of-the-way authentic Peruvian restaurant, try El Chalan, just one block from the World Bank. Known for their Ceviche and Lomo Salgado. Try the non-alcoholic chicha morada or the alcoholic pisco sours. The entrance gives the impression that you are entering an elegant old home. Once inside, you will be delighted by the beautifully decorated and comfortable environment as well as the high quality of its fine dining. Near the Farragut West exit on the Blue and Orange lines of the Metro or the Farragut North exit on the Red Line. 1924 I Street NW. www.elchalanrestaurant.com.

Comet Ping Pong

The place to go in DC for excellent pizza and beer in a casual environment that features – yes – ping pong tables in the back. An added bonus is the close proximity of Politics and Prose bookstore, one of DC's best-known independent bookstores, two doors down. 5037 Connecticut Ave. NW. www.cometpingpong.com.

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Delhi-Dhabe

A Punjabi grill with authentic North Indian style lunch buffet and dinner seven days a week. Locations at 4455 Connecticut Avenue NW in Washington D.C., Bethesda, Maryland and Alexandria, Virginia. www.delhidhaba.com.

Dukem

Washington is a wonderful place for Ethiopian food. Many good spots abound on 18th Street in the Adams Morgan neighborhood. Dukem, at the corner of U Street and 12th, is arguably the most authentically Ethiopian and boasts an excellent menu including both meat and vegetarian options. Dukem has a nice sidewalk patio for outdoor eating and an outstanding beer selection. One block east of the U Street Metro station on the Green Line. www.dukemrestaurant.com.

The Front Page

Located overlooking the DuPont Circle East stop on the Metro's Red Line, The Front Page is a relaxed American-style bar/grill featuring steaks, pasta, seafood, and good beer. Framed newspaper headlines announcing famous events of the 20th century adorn the exposed brick walls. 1333 New Hampshire Avenue NW, at DuPont Circle. www.frontpagerestaurant.com.

Griffin Tavern

If you find yourself out in the direction of the Shenandoah Valley, do yourself a favor and stop at the Griffin Tavern. Located at 659 Zachary Taylor Highway in Flint Hills, Virginia. www.griffintavern.com.

Grill from Ipanema

Consistently rated as one of the city's best, the Grill from Ipanema's menu offers a wide variety of Brazilian dishes, from seafood stews with palm oil and coconut milk to *frango a copacabana* (grilled chicken served with grounded yuca roasted with garlic and butter, and served with rice, black beans, vegetables). 1858 Columbia Road NW in Adams Morgan. www.thegrillfromipanema.com.

Hawk and Dove

Dark, mysterious, and divey, the Hawk and Dove is the archetype of the DC bar. A favorite of Congressional staffers, this is where politics happens and history gets made, all over the best corned beef sandwich in town. Near Eastern Market and a

short walk from Capitol Hill. www.hawkanddoveonline.com.

Indique

A fantastic Indian restaurant with warm, inviting ambiance that excels at both traditional Indian flavors and modern small plate/tapas style interpretations. In the Cleveland Park neighborhood at 3512 Connecticut Avenue. 3512 Connecticut Avenue NW. www.indique.com.

Jaleo

A great Spanish tapas restaurant, one of several in the Chinatown neighborhood. The chorizos and stuffed peppers are "amazing, though I've yet to order anything there I didn't like," according to one member of the AAG's local arrangements committee. 480 7th Street NW. Located one block south of the Gallery Place/Chinatown stop on the Red, Yellow, and Green Lines. Close to local theaters for those taking in a show. www.jaleo.com.

Lebanese Taverna

The Lebanese Taverna is a local favorite among AAG staffers and local arrangement committee members alike. High domed ceilings, lush upholstery, and hand-carved walnut accents add to the lush atmosphere. Serving a variety of authentic Mediterranean dishes and only a short walk from the conference hotel. 2641 Connecticut Avenue NW. www.lebanesetaverna.com.

Mama Ayesha's

Mama Ayesha's is a family-owned and family-operated Middle Eastern restaurant in the Adams-Morgan neighborhood serving traditional Middle Eastern dishes with vegetarian options. Everything on the menu has a homemade taste. The recipes are hand-me-downs from the restaurant's founder, Mama Ayesha Abraham. 1967 Calvert Street NW. www.mamaayeshas.com.

Market Lunch

If your visit to DC falls over the weekend, make it a point to visit historic Eastern Market on Capitol Hill. Restaurants abound, including everyone's favorite greasy spoon The Market Lunch, located inside the newly renovated South Hall (closed for two years following a fire in April 2007). Getting up early on a Saturday for a breakfast of bacon and "bluebucks" (blueberry buckwheat pancakes) at Market Lunch

is a DC must-do, or if you arrive for lunch try the oversized crab cake sandwich. Walk off the calories by browsing the outdoor flea market and arts fair showcasing work from local artists. www.easternmarketdc.com.

Martin's Tavern

Established in 1933, Martin's Tavern is one of Washington, D.C.'s most historic family owned enterprises. A renowned fixture in Georgetown, this must-visit establishment is frequented by political figures, media icons, movie stars (when they're in town), as well as local residents and travelers. The historic atmosphere features "named" booths of past presidents who held court in the tavern's environs. The beer is cold and the crab cakes are some of the best in the DC area. 1264 Wisconsin Avenue NW. www.martins-tavern.com.

McGinty's Public House

An authentic Irish restaurant. Try the sampler meal of traditional Irish stews or just opt for the always awesome bangers and mash. Just a short walk from the Crystal City Metro stop on the Blue Line in Alexandria, Virginia (3650 South Glebe Road, Suite 170) or a short cab ride away to downtown Silver Spring, Maryland, at 911 Ellsworth Drive. www.mcgintyspublichouse.com.

Cupcake Crazy

Along with other major urban areas in the U.S., Washington, D.C. has enthusiastically joined the cupcake craze, typified by small bakeries producing a daily menu of gourmet cupcakes *and nothing else*. Even if you're no fan of a cake-to-icing ratio of 1:2, these hubs of cupcake fandom will at least point you towards the oh-so-trendiest of DC neighborhoods.

Georgetown Cupcake

1209 Potomac Street NW
Washington, DC 20007

Hello Cupcake

1351 Connecticut Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20036

Red Velvet Cupcakery

675 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20004

Mitsitam Café

"Mitsitam" means "let's eat!" in the native language of the Delaware and Piscataway peoples. Features native foods found throughout the Western Hemisphere, including the Northern Woodlands, South America, the Northwest Coast, Meso America and the Great Plains. Located in the National Museum of the American Indian on the National Mall. If you don't have time to visit the museum, you can just stop into the restaurant. www.nmai.si.edu.

Nam Viet & Pho 79 Restaurant

Best pho within walking distance of the Wardman. Warm up with a nice hot bowl of soup, have a crepe, or enjoy their curries, black pepper dishes, or seafood. Reasonable prices, comfortable dining room, unassuming exterior. At 3419 Connecticut Avenue NW in Cleveland Park, just up the road from the conference hotel. www.namviet1.com.

Old Ebbitt Grill

An historic DC institution. Even if you just pop in for a beer on tap, this is a place to go see and be seen. Great for happy hours or brunch and in the immediate vicinity of the White House. 675 15th Street, NW. www.ebbitt.com.

Pizzeria Paradiso

Delicious and innovative pizza with an amazing beer selection in the heart of Georgetown. Casual and great for people watching. Make sure to check out the bar, Birreria, downstairs for microbrews and imports. 3282 M Street NW. www.eatyourpizza.com.

Rosemary's Thyme Bistro

A friendly neighborhood eatery where hospitality is king. Aged prime steaks, fresh fish, delicious starters, pides and kabobs, and much more. Saturday and Sunday brunches are both popular affairs. 1801 18th Street NW. Near DuPont Circle. www.rosemarysthyme.com.

Sushi Ko

With a new second location now open, Sushi Ko is consistently rated one of DC's best sushi restaurants, with an excellent fish selection and a quiet atmosphere. 2309 Wisconsin Avenue NW in DC or 5455 Wisconsin Avenue in Chevy Chase, Maryland (Friendship Heights metro station on the Red Line). <http://sushikorestaurants.com>.

Tabard Inn

Dine on new American cuisine in one of DC's oldest hotels. Nestled on a tree-lined street just five blocks from the White House. Try the pig roast and fried head cheese appetizer. Also known for its fabulous desserts. 1739 N Street NW. www.tabardinn.com/restaurant.

Zaytina

Amazing Eastern Mediterranean and Middle Eastern small plate-mezze style dishes in an inviting urban setting. This would be a great place for some geographic socializing over cocktails and a small, varied meal. 701 9th Street NW, corner of 9th and G Streets. www.zaytinya.com. ■

AAG Climate Change Institute to Support Grad Student and Post-Doc Participation

Up to 50 graduate students and post-doctoral scholars from the U.S. and Latin America will receive support to participate in a two-week long institute examining impacts of climate change and related environmental hazards in the Americas, to be held in Panama City, Panama, in June of 2010. Applications for funding will be accepted until the deadline of **January 16, 2010**.

The Institute for Integration of Research on Climate Change and Hazards in the Americas will offer lectures, demonstrations, technical training, group discussions, and work sessions at the advanced graduate and post-doctoral level and will produce a research agenda, a set of white papers, and an online knowledge environment to structure collaboration among participants and to serve as a repository for documents and ideas resulting from the effort. The goal of the program is to establish a clear roadmap and collaborative mechanism for developing and sharing the knowledge necessary for responding to climate change and hazards in the Americas in an integrative way, using

geographic tools and methods as a research and communication framework.

Selected participants must attend the full two-week institute and will receive airfare, lodging, training materials, breakfast and lunch, and local transportation to institute events. Additional expenses such as evening meals, visa fees, optional additional tours, or personal items will not be paid for by the program.

Applicants who are eligible to apply to attend the institute as U.S. Participants are graduate students, post doctoral students, or early career scientists within 6 years of receiving the PhD, who are currently enrolled in or graduated from a U.S. university or academic institution in any field and who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Underrepresented groups and students from Historically Black Colleges and Universities, hispanic-serving institutions, and tribal colleges are encouraged to apply. Graduate students, post doctoral students, or early career scientists within 10 years of receiving the PhD who are citizens of and residents in any country in Latin America may apply as Regional Participants.

The event, led by the Association of American Geographers (AAG) and co-organized by the PanAmerican Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH) of the Organization of American States, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), the National Communication Association (NCA), and the United Nations Environment Programme Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean (UNEP), will take place in collaboration with the Universidad Tecnológica de Panamá and will be led by an expert interdisciplinary team of 12 lecturers from the U.S., Panama, Chile, Brazil, and Mexico.

Funding for the institute comes from a grant to the AAG from the U.S. National Science Foundation's Pan American Advanced Studies Institute Program (NSF-PASI).

Application forms, instructions and selection criteria are available at www.aag.org/grantsawards/pasi.html. Deadline for submissions is **January 16, 2010**. For questions or additional information, please contact Patricia Solís at psolis@aag.org. ■

Washington Monitor

Duncan Adamant about 2010 NCLB Reauthorization

During multiple public appearances in September, U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan asserted that the Obama Administration is committed to a reauthorization of No Child Left Behind (NCLB) in 2010. The law, which is the current version of the Elementary & Secondary Education Act (ESEA), was supposed to have been reauthorized in 2007 (after having been enacted in 2002), but action was forestalled by partisan gridlock and the impending presidential election of 2008.

Duncan indicated in a major speech on September 24 that NCLB has significant flaws and that "we can't wait any longer" for the reauthorization to take place. Specifically, Duncan credited No Child with highlighting the achievement gap between high- and low-performing schools, but he asserted that the ESEA framework needs to do more to bridge the gap. The Secretary also indicated in his remarks that NCLB has led to too many schools unfairly being labeled as failures and that the law is too reliant on standardized test results.

Duncan's speech was the first in a series of events the Obama Administration is holding at the Education Department focused on gathering stakeholder input on the ESEA and what needs to be included in a reauthorization. Other events will run through December and will be led in part by Assistant Secretary Carmel Martin, who previously served as Ted Kennedy's senior education staffer and who I met with in

2005 to discuss the AAG's concerns with No Child. Separately, the Department has pledged to hold "listening sessions" in all 50 states.

As readers of this column are well aware, the AAG has advocated for dedicated funding for geography education as part of the ESEA. Through the ongoing efforts of AAG members and staff to bring this issue to the attention of key members of Congress, it is our hope that the next enacted version of the law will affirm geography's importance as a K-12 discipline. And now that the Administration has laid out a timetable for action, we will hopefully no longer be held back by Washington's often-frustrating political machinations.

Political Geography of Health Care Reform

One of Washington's charming quirks (some would say major flaws) is that Congressional action is often dominated by veteran members from a few less-populous states. This dynamic of the geography of politics has certainly been playing itself out in the debate over health care reform.

Most health care policy experts would tell you that the key committee in the health care debate is the Senate Finance Committee (SFC). In large part, this is because the SFC is chaired by Max Baucus, a moderate Democrat from Montana who has questioned the political viability of the so-called "public option." Baucus's state, which ranks 44th in population, is one of several states with smaller populations with Senators poised

to make-or-break this key issue. Other key members from less-populous states include Kent Conrad (D) of North Dakota (ranked 47th); Ben Nelson (D) of Nebraska (ranked 38th); Mike Enzi (R) of Wyoming (ranked 50th); Mike Begich (D) of Alaska (ranked 48th); Jay Rockefeller (D) of West Virginia (ranked 37th); and Susan Collins (R) and Olympia Snowe (R) of Maine (ranked 40th). To highlight this point, Conrad, who is a member of the SFC, recently noted that "Byron Dorgan (North Dakota's other Senator) and I hold the same number of votes in this place as Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer (who represent the most-populous state of California)."

Another aspect of political geography is playing itself out in the House side of the health care reform debate, where the so-called "Blue Dog" Democrats have resisted efforts by Speaker Nancy Pelosi and the Democratic leadership to pass a bill quickly. These Blue Dogs are generally Democrats from conservative states and districts who aren't as progressive as other members of the caucus. While a number of them have pledged to vote for a moderate health reform package along the lines of the Baucus bill, they have resisted voting for more liberal legislation containing the public option. Accordingly, Pelosi has been forced to count votes carefully before deciding how to move legislation through her chamber. ■

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Annual Meeting Sessions on Geography & Mental Health

The AAG will be sponsoring a special set of sessions on geography & mental health at its Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., April 14-18, 2010. If you are interested in participating in these sessions, please submit a 250-word abstract no later than

November 18, 2009 to Megan Overbey at moverbey@aag.org. Earlier submission is encouraged. For more information on these sessions contact AAG Executive Director Douglas Richardson at drichardson@aag.org.

Annual Meeting Discounts for AAG Members

Will your AAG membership expire soon?

Remember to keep your AAG membership up to date so you can take advantage of discounted rates for the 2010 Annual Meeting. Login to your account at www.aag.org and renew today!

L'Enfant's 1791 plan for the city and its subsequent evolution are replete with intentional symbolism and meaning. For example, the distance between the White House and the Capitol was used to signify the two distinct branches of the government. The placement of the Mall, what L'Enfant called the "Grand Avenue," was central to his design and served to balance the buildings of government with the open space and assembly area he felt was important to a democracy. L'Enfant's design called for the city to be the physical and symbolic embodiment of the democratic experience, and monumentality was integral to his plan.



Looking west from the Washington Monument, visitors gather on the grass to celebrate the 4th of July. Such public celebrations are an important role of Monumental DC.

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Today what gives the Mall its power is its long axis, anchored by three major elements – the Capitol, the Washington Monument, and the Lincoln Memorial (see map below). In the east is the Capitol, the "monument to democracy;" at the center is the Washington Monument, the "monument to freedom and independence;" and to the west is the Lincoln Memorial, the "monument to unity and equality." This axis represents a "national backbone" of the principles of democracy in both form (monuments

and memorials) and function (public space).¹ It may sound abstract but visitors pick up on it, turning back and forth to admire and visually connect to these key elements.

The National Mall serves important roles as a vast open space for recreation and contemplation and as a national stage for political protest and debates about democracy and citizenship.

The Mall is also a container for national commemoration: its memorials and monuments tell the nation what and who we should remember and why. It is an expression of national memory, a landscape that contains layers of decisions and non-decisions that mirror political debates in defining moments of American history.

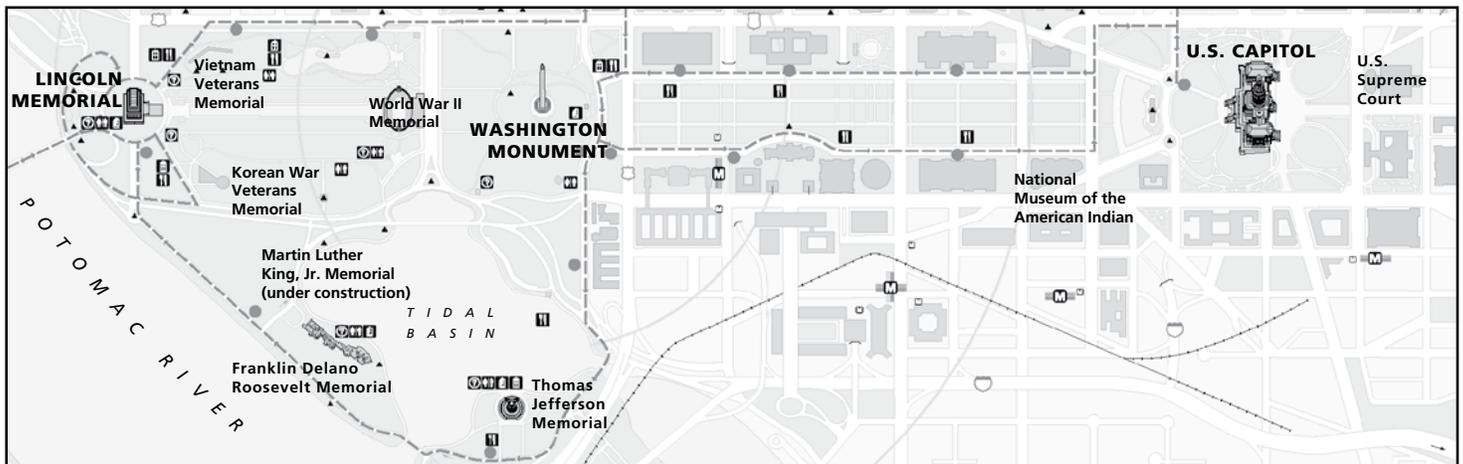
Monumental Washington may be a text, but it is a text that can take on new meanings. The Lincoln Memorial took on new symbolic meaning when it became the backdrop of several civil rights events: Marian Anderson's concert in 1939 and the 1963 March on Washington. The iconic image of Martin Luther King on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, facing the Washington Monument and the Capitol, was

a deliberately chosen stage selected to highlight discrimination and inequality in a country that had promised equality and justice in its own Constitution. The recent addition of a bronze plaque on the stairs of the Memorial acknowledges the spot where Martin Luther King stood, and thus changed the meaning of the Lincoln Memorial. Today, the Lincoln Memorial stands for more than the man, or the Civil War; it stands for the struggle to expand citizenship and equality.

The Monumental Washington we see today is also the product of debate and controversy. Nearly every memorial or monument on the Mall, and in D.C., has a story rooted in conflict. Public debates surrounding the design, construction and location of memorials are significant for revealing more general discourses on cultural, social and political values. Debates about memorials thus provide a glimpse of competing interpretations of memory, as well as the power relationships that can ultimately determine its realization.

We take for granted the power and elegance of the Washington Monument, but it almost wasn't built. Following George Washington's death in 1799, there was sentiment to memorialize the first President, but Congress failed to appropriate money for the monument. In 1833 local citizens founded the Washington National Monument Society, solicited funds, and chose a design by noted architect Robert Mills. Construction began in 1848, but money began to run out and construction was suspended in 1854. The unfinished monument

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The National Mall is over two miles long and is anchored by three key visual elements: the Lincoln Memorial, the Washington Monument, and the U.S. Capitol.

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sat on the Mall for several decades before Congress decided to rescue the ruin. When it finally approved funds for its completion, Mills' original design was altered: the pantheon-like base and the series of fountains were considered too expensive and were dropped. The result is the simple, soaring obelisk completed in 1884. Today the Washington Monument soars as a symbol of the city, but its history reveals decades of Congressional indifference.

In 1902, the Senate McMillan Commission proposed that newly filled-in marshes west of the Washington Monument become the site for a memorial to Abraham Lincoln. Several years of bitter dispute followed in part because the powerful Senator from Illinois, Joseph Cannon, presented a formidable obstacle. He objected to the expense of the memorial, but also the opposed location, telling a colleague, "So long as I live, I'll never let a memorial to Abraham Lincoln be erected in that goddamned swamp." It took an act of Congress, which

passed the Lincoln Memorial Act in 1913, to override the protests and begin construction of the memorial in its present-day location.

Even the Jefferson Memorial generated controversy. When workers came to remove a row of cherry trees on the Tidal Basin in order to dig foundations for the Memorial in early 1940, they found a group of women conservationists chained to the trees.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial, perhaps the most poignant of memorials on the Mall, was also bound up in bitter political controversy. Architectural student Maya Lin's design of a black granite wall generated fierce debate because of deep political divisions about the war, embodied in debates about the architectural styles of tradition versus modernism, and figurative versus abstract art. One critic (and Vietnam Veteran) called Lin's design a "black gash of shame and sorrow." The public controversy resulted in a behind-the-scenes political compromise that kept Lin's design but added a large American Flag (to confer patriotism) and a bronze sculpture of three infantrymen placed to the south of the Wall. Today, the bronze statue is often bypassed, while the powerful redemptive quality of the "Wall" beckons visitors to touch the names and leave gifts of remembrance. It has become one of the most beloved memorials on the Mall.

Finally, the most recently completed memorial, the World War II Memorial, dedicated in 2004, also generated controversy over both its design and location. Some critics argued the design was too large, busy and triumphant. Debates about the location focused on how the memorial would change the use and symbolic meaning of the National Mall. Many argued that the World War II Memorial would "interrupt the narrative of the axis" of the Monumental Core. Underlying these debates were also larger concerns about the accelerated loss of open space on the National Mall, how memorials change the meaning of the Mall, and about how public space should convey history and memory.

The National Mall has become the place for commemoration. Since the completion of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in 1982, five new memorials have been constructed on the Mall, including the Korean War Memorial, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial, the Museum of the American Indian, the George Mason Memorial, and the World War II Memorial. Three more memorials and one museum have been approved but not yet constructed: the Martin Luther King Memorial (currently under construction), the Black Revolutionary War Patriots Memorial, and the John Adams Memorial (still in the fundraising stage). The National Museum of African American History and Culture has been approved for the area just east of the Washington Monument, between 14th and 15th streets.

The pressure to develop more memorials on the Mall will not abate any time soon. While new memorials have the power to enrich national memory and national history, there is simultaneously tension over how to integrate the new and old national identity narratives. And, of course, the Mall is finite space. Some feel it's "full" and complete. Others covet its rich symbolism for their worthy cause.

While you're here for the 2010 AAG Annual Meeting, set aside a day or so to visit the National Mall (and wear good walking shoes – it's a 2 mile hike from the Capitol to the Lincoln Memorial). You'll want to undertake your own civic rite of passage and read the complex and contested national narratives contained in the public space and civic monuments of the National Mall. ■

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¹National Capital Planning Commission. 2003. *Extending the Legacy: Planning America's Capital for the 21st Century*. Washington, D.C.



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It has become tradition to interact with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial by making print rubbings of the names or leaving messages, gifts and other offerings. Interestingly, such offering are rarely left at any other memorial on the Mall.

Register for the 2010 AAG Annual Meeting at www.aag.org/annualmeetings.

Newberry Library Fellowships

The Newberry Library's Fellowships in the Humanities 2010-2011 will support humanities research in its collections. The Newberry Library houses wide-ranging, rich, and sometimes eccentric collections; hosts a lively interdisciplinary community of researchers; offers individual consultations with staff curators, librarians, and scholars; and organizes an array of scholarly and public programs.

Ranging from six to eleven months with stipends of up to \$50,400, long-term fellowships support research and writing by scholars with a doctorate. Applications are due **January 11, 2010**. Short-term fellowships are usually awarded for a period of one month and are restricted to scholars who live and work outside of the Chicago area. Applications are due **March 1, 2010**.

Other opportunities are available, including exchange fellowships with British, French and German institutions, a fellowship for American Indian women pursuing any post-graduate education, and a fellowship for published independent scholars. Contact: Research and Education, The Newberry Library, 60 West Walton Street, Chicago, IL 60610. Phone: (312) 255-3666. Email: research@newberry.org.

Apply: for more information or to download application materials visit www.newberry.org/research/felshp/fellowshome.html.

Essay Contest

The Society for the History of Discoveries has announced its 2010 prize essay contest. Essays may deal with voyages, travels,

biography, history, cartography, techniques and technology, or other aspects of discovery. The primary purpose is to enlighten the reader on some aspect of the exploration of our world. The winner will receive a prize of \$600 and will be invited to make an oral presentation about the paper at the annual meeting of the Society for the History of Discoveries. In addition, the easy contest winner will be invited to submit the essay for publication in the Society's journal, *Terrae Incognitae*. Only those post-secondary students (college or university, from any part of the world) who will not have received a doctoral degree before May 15, 2010 are eligible to enter the contest. Submission instructions and other information are available at www.sochistdisc.org/essay-contest.htm. ■

New Appointments

Boston University, Assistant Professor, Lucy Hutyra, PhD 2007, Harvard University.

California State University, Long Beach, Assistant Professor, Hyowon Ban, ABD, PhD Fall 2009, The Ohio State University.

California State University, Long Beach, Assistant Professor, Jacqueline W. Mills, PhD 2005, Louisiana State University.

Clark University, Assistant Professor, Mark Davidson, PhD 2006, King's College London, University of London, UK.

Colgate University, Assistant Professor of Geography and Asian Studies, Daisaku Yamamoto, PhD 2006, University of Minnesota.

Eastern Illinois University, Assistant Professor, Christopher R. Laingen, Ph.D., 2009, Kansas State University.

National University of Singapore, Assistant Professor, Simon Springer. PhD 2009, University of British Columbia.

Northern Illinois University, Assistant Professor, James L. Wilson. PhD 1991, University of North Carolina.

Rutgers University, Assistant Professor, Asa Rennermalm, PHD, 2007, Princeton University.

Temple University, Assistant Professor, Christina Rosan. PhD, 2007, MIT.

Temple University, Visiting Assistant Professor, Hamil Pearsall. PhD, 2009 (expected), Clark University.

Temple University, Visiting Assistant Professor, Charles Kaylor. PhD, 2009 (expected), University of Michigan.

University of Alabama, Assistant Professor, Jason C. Senkbeil, PhD 2007, Kent State University.

University of Colorado, Elisabeth Root, Assistant Professor, PhD 2009, University of North Carolina.

University of Colorado, Holly Barnard, Assistant Professor, PhD 2009, Oregon State University, Corvallis.

University of Colorado, Noah Molotch, Ph.D. 2004 University of Arizona, Tucson.

University of Houston-Clear Lake, Assistant Professor, Deanna Schmidt. PhD 2008, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

University of Iowa, Assistant Professor, Erika Wise, PhD 2009, University of Arizona.

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

Place Name Sessions at the Annual Meeting

The AAG is sponsoring a special set of sessions on the geography of place names and the related topic of gazetteers at its 2010 Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. This special sequence

will open with a panel session led by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. Those interested in participating should submit an abstract of approximately 250 words by **November 18, 2009** to Megan

Overbey at moverbey@aag.org. For additional information please contact AAG Executive Director, Doug Richardson, at dritchardson@aag.org.

Editor Sought for *The Professional Geographer*

The Association of American Geographers seeks applications and nominations for Editor of *The Professional Geographer*. The new Editor will be appointed for a four-year editorial term that will commence on January 1, 2011. The appointment will be made in spring 2010.

The Professional Geographer is a forum for timely debates on geography's contribution to contemporary issues in the environment, in society, and the interplay between them. The Editor for this journal will solicit, review, and accept for publication articles, comments, research notes, and other items appropriate for publication in *The Professional Geographer*, within publication-space limitations that will be determined annually. The AAG Council expects that the new Editor will accept manuscripts from across the

breadth and depth of intellectual activity in contemporary American geography. The Editor should be eager to act as an intellectual entrepreneur to attract the very best work being produced.

In support of these goals, each Editor candidate should possess a distinguished record of scholarly achievement, a broad perspective on the discipline of geography, respect and affection for its diversity, and an ability to work constructively with authors during the review process. Institutional support for the new Editor (especially some time released from teaching) is quite desirable, but not mandatory. The AAG will provide a modest stipend to be used for expenses and honorarium at the Editor's discretion.

The Editor will work in coordination with the Managing Editor, located at the

Meridian Place AAG office in Washington, D.C. The Managing Editor bears primary responsibility for the logistics of processing manuscripts and book reviews, and for assembling and coordinating the publication of each issue of the journal in collaboration with the journal's publisher.

A letter of application that addresses both qualifications and a vision for *The Professional Geographer* should be accompanied by a complete curriculum vitae. Nominations should be submitted no later than January 1, 2010, and applications no later than February 1, 2010.

Send applications or letters of nomination to: Chair, AAG Publications Committee, 1710 Sixteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20009-3198. Nominations and applications may also be submitted electronically to profgeog@aag.org. ■

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The Book Review Editor for *The Professional Geographer* will select books for review in all subfields of geography and related specialties and edit *The PG* book reviews. She or he is expected to maintain close communication with the Managing Editor and *The PG's* editor as well as arranging for the receipt of review copies of all appropriate books, finding and commissioning reviewers, submitting edited reviews to the Managing Editor, reviewing page proofs, and tracking all books received.

A letter of application should be accompanied by a complete curriculum vitae. Nominations should be submitted no later than January 1, 2010, and applications no later than February 1, 2010.

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Miranda Lecea Joins AAG Staff

Miranda Lecea has joined the AAG as Editorial Assistant. Miranda's primary responsibility will be assisting the Journals Managing Editor in all phases of publication for the *Annals* and *The Professional Geographer*. In addition, she will provide support for other AAG programs and initiatives, including the planning of the 2010 Annual Meeting, MyCOE, EDGE, and the Teaching with Data (QSSDL) project.

Miranda received a BA in Communications from Michigan State University, with specializations in Organizational and Mass Media Communications. She tries to travel abroad whenever possible and has been to several countries in Europe and in Central and South America. Miranda also hopes to make a trip to Asia sometime in the



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future. She has a particular interest in the arts and cooking of other cultures, and loves to incorporate these into her life at home.

When she is not working at the AAG, or traveling the globe, Miranda is usually playing outdoors with her dog or cheering on her favorite teams, the Michigan State Spartans and the Detroit Red Wings. ■

Scandinavian and Baltic Studies

Organizers of the 100th Conference of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study (SASS) and the 22nd Conference of the Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies (AABS) welcome papers, panels, and roundtable presentations for the first joint conference of Scandinavian and Baltic Studies in the United States: "Region, State, Nation, Community: New Research in Scandinavian and Baltic Studies," to be held April 22-24, 2010, in Seattle, Washington.

The conference aims to highlight and foster academic inquiry that draws comparisons between Scandinavia (Iceland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Finland) and the Baltic states (Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania). Papers that examine stateless peoples and those left outside of the Scandinavian/Baltic approach, but sharing the same geographic space, are equally welcome. Papers and panels devoted to individual states are also welcome. Contributions are encouraged

from disciplines including (but not limited to): anthropology, architecture, communication, cultural studies, demography, economics, education, environment, ethnic relations, film studies, fine arts, gender studies, geography, history, international relations, law, linguistics, literature, memory, political science, psychology, public health, religion, sociology, tourism, and advancing Baltic and Scandinavian studies. Presentations are not to exceed 20 minutes in length.

Paper and panel proposals must include an abstract (no more than 250 words) and a one to two-page curriculum vitae. Send this material embedded in the body of an e-mail (no attachments) to Aldis Purs at (aldisp@u.washington.edu) by December 11, 2009. Paper submissions can be mailed to: 22nd AABS Conference Chair, University of Washington, Box 353420, Seattle, WA 98195-3420. The conference website is available at: <http://depts.washington.edu/aabs>.

Race, Ethnicity, and Place Conference

The partners of the 2010 Race/Ethnicity and Place Conference, to be held October 6-8, 2010, in Binghamton, New York, welcomes papers, poster presentations, and panel discussions on any theme related to race/ethnicity and place. Perspectives are welcome from all disciplines and from professionals and students involved in race/ethnicity studies. Instructions for participants are available at the conference website. Abstract deadline is April 30, 2010. Program space is limited and the conference directors reserve the right to close the Call for Papers in advance of the deadline should program space be filled. Abstracts must not exceed 250 words and be submitted online. See the website for other details (<http://rep-conference@binghamton.edu>). The Binghamton Regency Hotel will host the 2010 Conference in downtown Binghamton. Special hotel rates are available. ■

Grants and Awards Received

Mark Monmonier of Syracuse University recently received the Mercator Medal from the German Cartographic Society, citing his "manifold forward-looking and innovative contributions to cartography," his key roles as editor and author in the important *History of Cartography* series, and his ability to convey keen insights to the public in a thoughtful and direct manner through his many books. The medal was presented in Karlsruhe, Germany, on September 21, by Dr. Peter Aschenberger, president of the Society.

The Department of Geography and John A. Dutton e-Education Institute at Penn State University have received the Sloan-C Con-



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sortium's 2009 "Most Outstanding Online Teaching & Learning Program" award "for creating a rigorous, high-quality online graduate program that meets the growing need for individuals with an advanced level of GIS education." The combined Master of GIS degree and Postbaccalaureate Certificate Programs in GIS and Geospatial Intelligence have attracted over 3,000 students from all 50 states and seven continents.

Hannah Gosnell (Oregon State University) has received a three-year USDA Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service grant entitled, "Enhancing the Capacity of Small- and Medium-Sized

Ranch and Forestry Operations to Prosper from Payment for Ecosystem Services." Gosnell, along with co-PIs **Lauren Gwin** (OSU), **Cassandra Moseley** (U of OR), **Max Nielsen-Pincus** (U of OR), and **James Honey** (Sustainable Northwest), will identify and analyze opportunities/barriers associated with existing and emerging policies and programs offering "payment for ecosystem services" (PES) to ranchers and family forest owners, and the ways in which intermediaries are or are not engaging and supporting landowners' participation, enhance the capacity of intermediaries to support landowners' efforts to prosper from PES, and disseminate results of research and extension efforts to policymakers to inform efforts to improve PES policies. ■

World Geography Bowl Seeks Volunteers

The World Geography Bowl is a great deal of fun for all each year at the AAG Annual Meeting as nine regional teams battle for Geography supremacy. Organizer Bill Carstensen is looking for 16 good people to work on the 2010 World Geography Bowl in Washington, D.C. The competition will take place Thursday

evening, April 15, from 7:30pm on. Judges, moderators, and scorekeepers are needed. Please join us by emailing Bill at carstens@vt.edu to volunteer. No experience needed! Those people interested in producing a round of questions for the Bowl should also email Bill.

Ethnic Geography SG

The Ethnic Geography Specialty Group (EGSC) invites submissions for its 2010 Student Paper Competition. The winner will receive a \$250 prize, a certificate, a ticket to the AAG awards banquet, and formal recognition at the banquet and in the AAG Newsletter. Papers must be based on original research completed as an undergraduate or graduate student and must adhere to the established guidelines. Submissions should be emailed as a Word or PDF document to joy@humboldt.edu no later than Monday, **March 22, 2010**, for consideration. For guidelines and other information, please contact Joy Adams (joy@humboldt.edu), Department of Geography, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA 95521. Voice: (707) 826-4976.

European SG

The European Specialty Group is pleased to announce the 2010 ESG Graduate Student Paper Competition. Submissions are invited of conference papers graduate students presented (or are going to present) at regional or national geography meetings (and related interdisciplinary conferences) from April 2009 through April 2010. Papers must focus on European geography. Theses and dissertations are not eligible for this competition. Students must be members of the ESG in order to be eligible for this prize. The winner will receive a cash prize and a ticket to the award banquet. If you would like to submit a paper to this competition, please contact Micheline van Riemsdijk (vanriems@utk.edu).

Geographic Perspectives on Women SG

The Geographic Perspectives on Women (GPOW) Specialty Group is seeking nominations for the Jan Monk Service Award, the Susan Hanson Dissertation Proposal Award, and the Glenda Laws Student Paper Competition for the year 2009-2010.

The Jan Monk Service Award recognizes a geographer who has made an outstanding service contribution to women in geography and/or feminist geography. To nominate someone for this award, please email the name of your nominee and a brief statement of support to the committee listed below by January 25, 2010.

The Susan Hanson Dissertation Proposal Award honors AAG Past-President Susan Hanson by highlighting a PhD dissertation proposal that promises to make substantial

contributions to the geographic analysis and interpretation of topics related to gender, sexuality, and feminism. Email a 5-10 page version of the dissertation proposal to the committee listed below by January 25, 2010.

The Glenda Laws Student Paper Competition will award two prizes. Both undergraduate and graduate students welcome to participate. Papers must derive from and contribute to feminist research in geography. Papers presented at a regional or national geography meeting from March 2009 through April 2010 are eligible, as are papers written for course work during the same timeframe. Theses and dissertations are not eligible for this competition. Papers should be double-spaced, 12-point font, and not more than 15 pages in length. There should be a title page with the student's name, institution, level of study (B.A./B.S., M.A./M.S., PhD), and when and where the paper was/will be presented or the course title, term and year for which the paper was written. So that the judges may read the papers anonymously, do not include author's name anywhere on the inside pages of the paper. Please email a copy of your paper (as a .doc or .pdf file) to the committee listed below by January 25, 2010.

Committee: Pratyusha Basu, Department of Geography, University of South Florida, 4202 E. Fowler Ave., NES 107, Tampa, FL 33620. Email: pbasu@cas.usf.edu. Office: (813) 974-5511. Fax: (813) 974-4808. Amy Trauger, Department of Geography, University of Georgia, 210 Field Street, Athens, GA 30602. Email: atrauger@uga.edu. Office: (706) 542-2330. Fax: (706) 542-2388.

Human Dimensions of Global Change SG

Beginning in 2010, the Human Dimensions of Global Change Specialty Group will offer an annual grant to support student research projects at the graduate level (doctoral or masters). Awards are competitive: proposals will be evaluated by a committee of three members of the HDGC research community, representing a potentially wide range of HDGC scholarship in geography. Award amounts are up to \$1,000. In 2010 we expect to make two such awards. In subsequent years the number of awards will depend upon the availability of funds.

The aim of the competition is to provide support for student research in the area of human dimensions of global change that culminates in a doctoral or master's thesis. These

funds can be used to support fieldwork, travel to a research site, or, for example, travel to scout for a research site. Applications will be judged on the basis of (1) scholarly merit of the project, including the relevance of the project to HDGC research in geography; (2) the quality of the written proposal; and (3) the qualifications of the student to complete the proposed work.

Awards should be submitted no later than **February 1, 2010**. Winners will be announced in March of 2010. For further information, please see the HDGC website at www.geography.osu.edu/aag-hdgc.

Regional Development and Planning SG

Nominations are invited for the 2010 Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group (RDPSG) Awards. The five awards include 1) the Ashok K. Dutt Award for Best Graduate Student Paper in the field of regional development and planning; 2) the A.K. Chakravarti Award for Best Student Paper on South Asia; 3) RDPSG Best Undergraduate Student Paper Award; 4) the RDPSG Distinguished Scholar Award; and 5) the RDPSG Distinguished Service Award. Deadline for final paper submission is **February 15, 2010**.

For more information or to make nominations for all awards (except the A.K. Chakravarti Award), please contact: Yehua Dennis Wei, Honors Committee Chair, Department of Geography and Institute of Public & International Affairs, University of Utah, 260 S. Central Campus Dr., Rm. 270, Salt Lake City, UT 84112-9155. Email: wei@geog.utah.edu.

For more information or to make nominations for the A.K. Chakravarti Award, please contact: Vandana Wadhwa, PhD; Lecturer, Dept of Geography and Environment, Boston University, Boston, MA 02215. Email: vandanaw@comcast.net.

Russia, Central Eurasia and Eastern Europe SG

Two awards of \$150 and \$75 will be made to the first and second best graduate student papers submitted to the RCEEE-SG Student Paper Award Committee by March 1, 2010. The third best paper will receive an honorable mention. Papers will be judged on their overall quality, creativity and contribution to furthering the geographical understanding of

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Russia, Central Eurasia or Eastern Europe. The competition is open to all students who will present their paper at the Annual AAG meeting or at a Regional AAG meeting. Hard and electronic copies of papers must be submitted to the chair of the RCEEE SG Student Awards Committee, Joel Quam (quamjoel@cod.edu), by **March 1, 2010**.

The RCEEE-SG Dissertation Enhancement Award is granted annually to a RCEEE SG student member. The amount for this year's award (2009-2010) is \$500. Interested students should prepare a mini-dissertation proposal for submission to the Dissertation

Awards Committee. To be considered for this award, students must submit electronic and hard copies of their proposal to the chair of the RCEEE-SG Awards Committee, Joel Quam (quamjoel@cod.edu), by **March 1, 2010**.

Questions concerning these competitions may be addressed to the Chair of the RCEEE-SG Awards Committee, Joel Quam (quamjoel@cod.edu).

Study of the American South SG

The SASSG is pleased to announce the introduction of a Student Paper Award and a Student Poster Award for the 2010 AAG

Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. The competition is open to all current graduate students whose research touches on some aspect of the geography of the U.S. South (there are no separate categories for master's and PhD students). The deadline for submission is April 1, and the submitted paper/poster must be presented during the Annual Meeting. Further details will be made available at a later date. Please contact Dave Jansson (dajansson@gmail.com) with questions about the student awards or to volunteer to be on the judging committee. ■

Books Received

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Fred E. Lukermann

Fred E. Lukermann, professor emeritus at the University of Minnesota and a former Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, died on September 1, 2009.

A Minneapolis native, born December 9, 1921, Lukermann graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1940 and entered the University of Minnesota the following fall. He returned to the University after serving in the U.S. Army, earning B.S., M.A. and PhD degrees.

Lukermann joined the University of Minnesota's Geography Department in the early 1950s and helped that program achieve steadily greater national and international recognition. As department chair, Lukermann promoted a pervasive spirit of wide-ranging and creative intellectual inquiry.

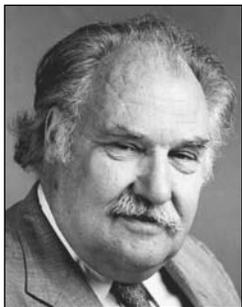
Lukermann assumed several leadership roles at the University of Minnesota in addition to his term as chair of the Geography Department. He was instrumental in establishing the Departments of African American & African Studies, American Indian Studies, Chicano Studies, the Urban Studies Program, the School of Public Affairs (later renamed the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs), and the Center for Urban and Regional Affairs.

Along with his inspired teaching, generous advising of graduate students, and creative scholarly output, Lukermann pursued lifelong interests in what he termed the "proto-geography" of Classical Greece, the development of modern geographic thought and practice within the history of science, the historical geography of North America, and cultural pluralism.

Larry Ford

Larry Ford died on September 17, 2009. He was a longtime professor of geography at San Diego State University, where he spent his entire professional career after earning a PhD from the University of Oregon in 1970.

Ford's interests included urban geography, comparative urbanization, urban form/design, cultural meanings of urban space, downtown revitalization and historic pres-



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ervation. Known as an innovative thinker and a persuasive writer, he authored the acclaimed books, *Cities and Buildings: Skyscrapers, Skidrows, and Suburbs* (1994) and *America's New Downtowns: Reinvention and Revitalization* (2003), as well as the thought-provoking *The Spaces Between Buildings* (2000), which examined ordinary and often unnoticed features of the urban landscape such as alleys, driveways and other recesses and suppressed cultural spaces. More recently, Ford wrote *Metropolitan San Diego* (2004) and *My Kind of Suburb: the Inter-War Years in California* (forthcoming from The Center for American Places).

Ford received many accolades throughout his career. He was presented with a Distinguished Service Award from the Historical Site Board of the City of San Diego in 1981, a Distinguished Teacher Award from



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the National Council for Geographic Education in 1985; and a Distinguished Service Award from the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers in 1995. He occupied the Benjamin and Louise Carroll Revolving Endowed Chair of Urban Studies at the University of Oregon in the Spring of 2000, and was awarded the Distinguished Educator Award by the California Geographical Society in 2004. Much of his inspiration for research on comparative urbanism came from a number of Fulbright awards.

Within the disciplines of geography, urban planning, anthropology and sociology, Ford is known for his conceptual models of urban structure, the most enduring of which is "A Model of Latin American City Structure" (*Geographical Review* 1980, co-authored with Ernst Griffin).

Ford served as President of the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers in 1982-1983, as an AAG Regional Councillor, and as a member of the American Geographical Society Council (1996-2003 and 2004-2009). He also served on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Geography* and the *Geographical Review*.

A recently completed Planetizen poll of architects and urban planners ranked Ford as among the world's top 100 urban thinkers, placing his name alongside notables such as

Frederick Law Olmstead, Walter Benjamin, William H. Whyte, Henri Lefebvre, Lewis Mumford, and Thomas Jefferson.

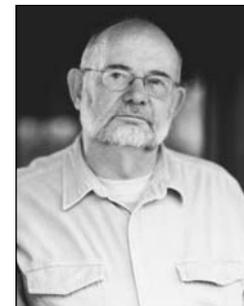
John Odland

Professor emeritus John Odland of the Department of Geography at Indiana University died on September 14, 2009. Odland joined Indiana University in 1970 as lecturer and rose through the ranks to the position of professor in 1989. He served the department as chair from 1989 to 1993 and retired in December of 2007.

Odland was known as a rigorous scholar with diverse research interests. These included national and international migration, spatial analyses of labor markets, urban and regional economic inequalities, and spatial modeling. His teaching interests included population geography, mathematical and statistical models in geography, and geographic information systems.

Born in Saskatchewan on March 26, 1943, Odland spent his early years in North Dakota, Montana, and Oregon. Working his way through college primarily as a road and bridge surveyor, Odland received his B.S. in geography from Oregon State University in 1966 and earned an M.S. from the same department the following year. He acquired his PhD from Ohio State University in 1972, where his mentors Emilio Casetti, Leslie King, and Reginald Golledge were at the forefront of the quantitative revolution in human geography. Following this lead, Odland became an outstanding spatial modeler, quantifier, and economic geographer with a strong reputation as an empiricist.

Odland was also known as an influential teacher and mentor who constantly sought to motivate and facilitate excellence in the students and colleagues with whom he interacted. He has been referred to by colleagues as selfless in his willingness to provide mentorship and to serve as a reviewer for tenure and promotion cases from across the country and hundreds of journal articles and research proposals. ■



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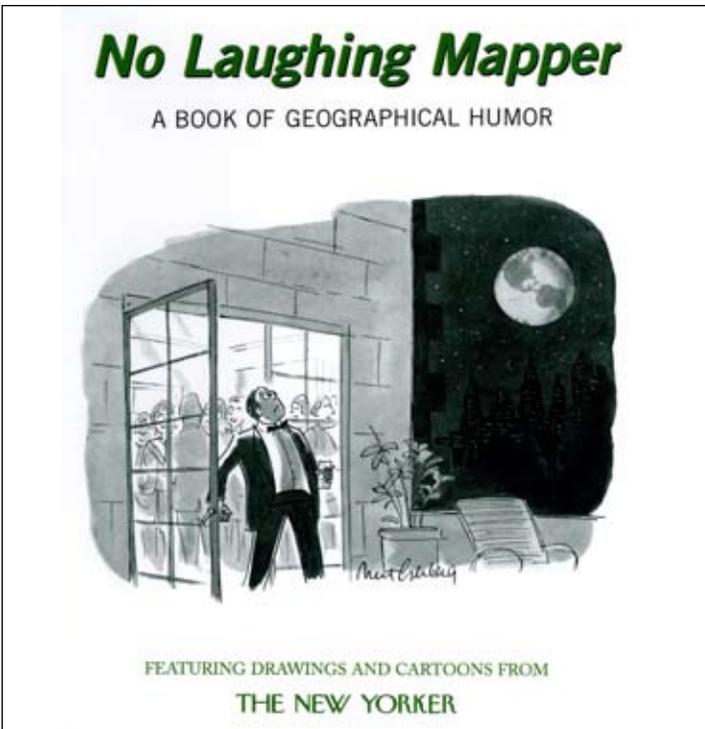
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Jobs in Geography

UNITED STATES

ALABAMA, TUSCALOOSA.

Professor/Chair, Department of Geography. The Department seeks an outstanding candidate with a PhD in Geography, demonstrated excellence in teaching and research, demonstrated administrative and leadership skills in an active department with a graduate program, a proven record of gaining external funding, and the ability to teach courses and mentor graduate students within the department's focus areas.

The University of Alabama invites nominations and applications for the position of **Professor and Chair of the Department of Geography**. The Department seeks an outstanding candidate with a PhD in Geography, demonstrated excellence in teaching and research, demonstrated administrative and leadership skills in an active department with a graduate program, a proven record of gaining external funding, and the ability to

teach courses and mentor graduate students within the department's focus areas. Research specialization is open. The Department has 12 faculty members and offers BA, BS, and MS degrees in Geography and Environmental Science, with a long term goal of a PhD program with a focus on human-environmental relationships. The faculty has a range of research interests in human geography and planning, physical geography, and geographic techniques. The Department offers a collegial and supportive work environment for faculty, and is home to the Map Library and Placenames Research Center, as well as the Cartographic Research Laboratory, a self-supporting, nonprofit facility providing custom mapping and GIS services. The Laboratory also hosts the Alabama Maps online collection of maps and aerial imagery.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled, with priority given to applications submitted by October 1, 2009. The expected start date is August 16, 2010.

Apply: to apply online, visit the University of Alabama jobs website at <https://facultyjobs.ua.edu>.

Letter of application, curriculum vitae, description of administrative experience, statements of administrative and teaching philosophy, teaching and research interests, vision statement, and a list of five potential referees should be submitted online. Questions should be directed to Joe Weber, Chair of the Search Committee, Department of Geography, Box 870322, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35487 (205-348-0086, jweber2@bama.ua.edu). Information about the Department is available on our website at <http://geography.ua.edu>.

The University of Alabama is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and actively seeks diversity among its employees. Women and minority candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

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*CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY.

The University of California, Berkeley invites applications for the 2010-2011 **S.V. Ciriacy-Wantrup Postdoctoral Fellowships in Natural Resource Economics and Political Economy**. The S.V. Ciriacy-Wantrup Postdoctoral Fellowships in Natural Resource Economics and Political Economy will be awarded for the 2009-2010 academic year to support advanced research at the University of California, Berkeley. For the purposes of this fellowship, natural resources are defined broadly to include environmental resources. The fellowship encourages, but is not limited to, policy-oriented research.

Applications are open to scholars from any social science discipline and related professional fields such as law and planning, who will make significant contributions to research on natural resource economics broadly defined. Preference will be given to proposals whose orientation is broadly institutional and/or historical, and which are conceptually and theoretically innovative. Proposals with a primarily statistical or econometric purpose are not eligible for consideration.

"Jobs in Geography" lists positions available with US institutions who are Equal Opportunity Employers seeking 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 (eg: 1 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 should notify the Editor to cancel a listing if the position is filled. The Editor reserves the right to edit announcements to conform with established format. All ads must be in English.

Display ads are also available. Ads will be charged according to size: 1/6 page (2 1/4" x 5") \$335; 1/3 page vertical (2 1/4" x 10") \$475; 1/3 page square (4 3/4" x 4 3/4") \$475; 1/2 page horizontal (7" x 5") \$625; 2/3 page vertical (4 3/4" x 10") \$750; Full page (7" x 10") \$900. Display ads run for one month only.

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Geographer Available. A service for AAG members only. Send personal listings of 50 words or less, following the format of current listings. Listings run for two consecutive issues. Enclose \$25 with listing. A blind listing service is available - the editor will assign a box number and forward inquiries to the member listed.

* Indicates a new listing

Application deadline is December 11, 2009. For more information, please visit: <http://research.chance.berkeley.edu/page.cfm?id=184>.

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CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES.

Loyola Marymount University. A tenure-track position at the level of **Assistant Professor**, in the **Urban Studies Program**, commencing August, 2010. Teaching responsibilities in two or more of these areas: community development, community planning, urban policy, urban government, environmental planning, environmental policy, environmental justice, and/or sustainable urban development. A successful applicant will also teach introductory classes in urban studies, social science research methods, and/or GIS. Teaching load is three courses each semester. A PhD in an appropriate discipline is required.

Loyola Marymount University, a comprehensive university in the mainstream of American Catholic higher education, seeks professionally outstanding applicants who value its mission and share its commitment to academic excellence, the education of the whole person, and the building of a just society. LMU is an equal opportunity institution actively working to promote an intercultural learning community. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Visit www.lmu.edu for more information.

Applicants should send a letter of application; curriculum vitae; graduate transcripts; three letters of recommendation; evidence of teaching ability, research, and publication. Applications must be received by November 13, 2009.

Apply: Dr. Peter Hoffman, Director, Urban Studies Program, Loyola Marymount University, University Hall, Suite 4341, 1 LMU Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90045-2659.

OCT 09-116

CALIFORNIA, MONTEREY.

PostDoc, Visiting Scholar in Geography. The CORE (Common Operational Research Environment) Lab at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey California is searching for a Post Doc or Visiting Scholar in Geography. The CORE Lab's mission is to educate and support U.S. and allied military personnel in the analytical craft of integrating geospatial, cultural, relational and temporal

data as they relate to counter-insurgency, counter-terrorism, and stability operations.

The geography position requires familiarity with spatial analysis tools (ArcGIS/GeoDa/R) and participation in ongoing CORE Lab research. Preferences are given to those who can demonstrate how human and physical geography effect current military operations such as insurgency, urban warfare, and resource wars. Potential also exists for teaching a course in Conflict Geography to students in the Defense Analysis Department at the Naval Postgraduate School. The position will remain open until filled. EOE.

Apply: Please send a vita to Karen Flaherty, Executive Assistant, klflaher@nps.edu, 831-656-2932.

OCT 09-118

CALIFORNIA, SANTA CLARA.

The Environmental Studies Institute at Santa Clara University invites applications for a tenure-track **Assistant Professor** position in **Environmental Policy** for Fall 2010. Applicants should have a PhD (completion required by the time of appointment) in environmental studies or related field. The successful candidate will conduct research in one of the following areas: U.S. environmental policy, international environmental policy, environmental justice, urban planning, agricultural policy or energy policy. See full job ad at: <http://www.scu.edu/envs>.

Apply: to ensure consideration, send (1) curriculum vitae, (2) letter of application articulating teaching philosophy, research interests, experiences working with people of diverse cultures and identities, (3) three letters of recommendation under separate cover, and (4) sample numerical evaluations to: Dr. Leslie Gray (Attention: Search Committee), Environmental Studies Institute, Santa Clara University, 500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara, CA 95053 by November 15, 2009.

This position is contingent upon the availability of funding.

OCT 09-119

COLORADO, BOULDER.

Postdoctoral Position Available. Exchange for Local Observations and Knowledge of the Arctic <http://eloka-arctic.org>. National Snow and Ice Data Center <http://nsidc.org>. Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences (CIRES) University of Colorado at Boulder.

Application Review Begins: September 1, 2009. Position is open until filled. See complete job description at http://nsidc.org/about/jobs/nsidc_20.html. Requires completed PhD in sciences or social sciences, experience working with traditional knowledge/indigenous communities; data management, data presentation, geospatial techniques.

Apply: please send a cover letter, CV, salary history, and names and contact information of three references, citing job code NSIDC-20, to CIRES by email: jobs@cires.colorado.edu.

The University of Colorado at Boulder is committed to diversity and equality in education and employment and conducts background checks for all final applicants.

OCT 09-112

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Association of American Geographers has an opening for the position of **Senior Researcher** at the AAG's office in Washington, D.C.

We seek an individual with strong research and writing skills who can contribute to AAG research, education, and outreach projects, including new federally funded projects related to professional development, careers, and diversity. The Senior Researcher will participate in the development of research instruments and protocols; travel several times a year to collect data; lead professional development workshops; evaluate materials with students and faculty in participating departments; interact constructively with academic and non-academic employer organizations; assist in preparing manuscripts for publication; and assist with a variety of project management tasks. The Senior Researcher will also work closely with AAG staff to support other AAG initiatives, meetings, and proposals.

A highly qualified candidate will have a PhD in geography; possess strong skills in qualitative and quantitative methods in social science research, including interview and survey analysis, and knowledge of GIS and/or spatial 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 level researchers. Salary

is commensurate with experience. The AAC is an equal opportunity employer and offers a highly competitive benefits package and a collegial working environment.

Apply: Please send a letter of application, CV, sample publications, and contact information for three references via email to: Megan Overbey at moverbey@aag.org.

Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled.

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FLORIDA, BOCA RATON.

The Department of Geosciences at Florida Atlantic University invites applications for a tenure track **Assistant Professor** to begin August 2010 at our main campus in Boca Raton. We seek an individual with a strong background in applying **Remote Sensing** techniques to the study of **environmental resources or human-environment relationships**. Preferred areas of expertise should include one or more of the following: hyperspectral remote sensing, photogrammetry, and LiDAR.

The Department offers undergraduate and master's level degrees in both geography and geology, and a PhD degree in Geosciences, combining geography and geology to form specialty areas in hydrology and water resources, urban sustainability and cultural and spatial ecology. FAU is located in Southeastern Florida. The region's geographic location with respect to sensitive ecosystems, combined with its rapidly growing population has put extreme stress on environmental resources. The Department of Geosciences and FAU's interdisciplinary Environmental Sciences program are partnering with several state and federal agencies to address the region's unique environmental problems and the successful candidate will have the opportunity to make a contribution to this partnership.

Ability to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in advanced remote sensing is required. Candidates should have a PhD at time of appointment, potential for establishing programs of funded research, and clear promise of excellent teaching.

Apply: In order to be considered for this position, an official FAU application must be submitted electronically for the **Geoscientist** position (# 990906) at <http://jobs.fau.edu>. Applicants will also be asked to attach electronic versions of her/his curriculum vita, list of three professional references and letter of application stating qualifications for the position.

Questions regarding this position may be addressed to the Search Committee Chair, Dr. Zhixiao Xie (xie@fau.edu). Applications will be reviewed beginning November 1, 2009. The position is open until filled.

Florida Atlantic University is an Equal Opportunity/Equal Access Institution.

OCT 09-123

*ILLINOIS, CARBONDALE.

IGERT Trainees in Watershed Science and Policy. Southern Illinois University Carbondale is offering PhD fellowships under the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Integrative Graduate Education Research and Training (IGERT) program. Fellowships are available to U.S. citizens and permanent residents in any water-, river- or watershed-related field of study, including Human or Physical Geography, and would pursue a PhD degree in Environmental Resources and Policy or other areas. Applicants should have a Masters-level degree in Geography, Geology, Hydrology, Environmental Science or similar area at the time of enrollment (Bachelor's possible in cases of exceptional merit) and should have grades, test scores, and research records commensurate with one of NSF's most coveted fellowship awards. Fellowship benefits include \$30,000/year stipends, \$10,500/year education allowances, student laptops, annual international river basin tours, and support for research, conference travel, etc.

Apply online at: www.igert.siu.edu. Application deadline is January 15, 2010. For more information, please see www.igert.siu.edu or contact igert@siuc.edu.

NOV 09-150

*IOWA, IOWA CITY.

The Department of Geography at the University of Iowa invites applications for a full-time tenure track appointment at the **Assistant Professor** level in the area of **sustainability and water resources**. The position is part of a significant university-wide sustainability initiative that seeks to build interdisciplinary faculty expertise in this emerging area.

We seek an individual with research interests in surface water resources who will broadly complement one or more of the department's existing strengths in geoinformatics, land use science, environmental policy, biogeography, or health geography. A particular interest in connections between sustainable water re-

sources and either global climate change or sustainable energy production is desirable. The Department and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are strongly committed to gender and ethnic diversity; the strategic plans of the University, College and Department reflect this commitment.

The successful candidate must, to a degree commensurate with career stage, provide evidence of their ability to publish in leading academic journals and to secure external research support. The appointment will begin in August 2010. A Ph.D. in geography or related discipline is required at the time of appointment. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply. The University of Iowa is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. For further information please see www.uiowa.edu/~geog/water-resource and <http://jobs.uiowa.edu>, requisition number 57202.

Apply: Candidates must submit applications online at <http://jobs.uiowa.edu> (requisition #57202). Attachments to the application should include a letter of application and curriculum vitae. The letter of application should include: a statement of teaching interests, evidence of teaching ability, and a statement that describes current and future research activities. Three letters of recommendation should be mailed to: Dr. David Bennett, 316 Jessup Hall, Department of Geography, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242.

Screening of applications begins November 10, 2009 and will continue until the position is filled. Questions regarding this position can be directed to Dr. Bennett (david-bennett@uiowa.edu or 319 335-0158).

NOV 09-148

*IOWA, IOWA CITY.

The University of Iowa Graduate Program in **Urban and Regional Planning** anticipates an opening for a tenure-track faculty position at the **Assistant or Associate Professor** level beginning in August, 2010. The successful candidate must, at a minimum, have a PhD in planning or a related discipline, demonstrate substantial potential for scholarly research and publication, and be able to teach courses and publish quality research in environmental planning and policy. Initial review of applications will begin on December 1 for the August 2010 appointment. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. We especially encourage applications from minorities and women.

Apply: please go to <http://jobs.uiowa.edu> and search under requisition number 57163. Charles E. Connerly, Director, Graduate Program in Urban and Regional Planning, 343 Jessup Hall, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242. Phone: 319-335-0039. E-mail: charles-connerly@uiowa.edu. Homepage: www.urban.uiowa.edu.

The University of Iowa is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

NOV 09-127

*KENTUCKY, LOUISVILLE.

The Department of Geography and Geosciences at the University of Louisville seeks a candidate with a PhD in geography for a tenure-track faculty position with the rank of **Assistant Professor** to begin Fall 2010. A specialization in the **cultural and social impacts of globalization and diversity** is required. The successful candidate must be willing to develop courses relevant to the area of specialization, articulate humanistic and qualitative research methodologies within the context of contemporary applied geography, and enhance students' critical thinking skills through teaching and mentoring. Additional ability to work within current University programs focusing on major regions such as Asia, Latin America or Africa, as well as the Women and Gender Studies program, is desirable.

The PhD is preferred at the time of appointment, but ABDs will be considered. The department aggressively pursues excellence in teaching and research within the context of the B.S. and M.S. degrees in Applied Geography. The department's physical facilities are excellent and opportunities to work with a variety of community organizations and governmental agencies are plentiful. A record or potential for teaching, research funding, and publication is required for consideration. Good interpersonal skills and effective oral and written communication skills are necessary.

The application deadline is February 15, 2010.

Apply: Applicants should submit their application and curriculum vitae through the University of Louisville's www.louisville.edu/jobs website and reference job identification number 24604, then follow up (by mail) with a cover letter that details teaching and research interests, a curriculum vitae, a sample

of teaching evaluations (if available) and contact information (including e-mail) for three references to: Sharon O'Bryan, Department of Geography & Geosciences, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY 40292.

The Department of Geography and Geosciences is committed to building a culturally diverse faculty and strongly encourages women, African Americans, and other minorities to apply. For further information about the position, contact Dr. Carol Hanchette, Chair of the Search Committee at carol.hanchette@louisville.edu.

The University of Louisville is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity, Americans with Disabilities Employer, committed to diversity and in that spirit, seeks applications from a broad variety of candidates.

NOV 09-13

*MARYLAND, SALISBURY.

Salisbury University's Department of Geography and Geosciences and the Eastern Shore Regional GIS Cooperative seek applicants for a non-tenure track **Visiting Assistant Professor/GIS Manager** beginning in March 2010. We are seeking a Geographer with a specialization in **Geographic Information Science**. This is a three-year position with the possibility for renewal.

Primary Duties: In addition to teaching GIS/geographic techniques part-time in the Department of Geography and Geosciences, the candidate will help oversee a staff of professionals, undergraduate and graduate students implementing practical GIS projects in the ESRCC. **Responsibilities:** Include project management with considerable hands-on technical work assisting our GIS staff with projects for our Cooperative clients. The candidate will teach up to four courses/labs in GIScience or a related field at the graduate or undergraduate level each year as needed.

Minimum Qualifications: ABD in geography required (PhD preferred) with a concentration in geographic information science. Two years of professional GIS experience and with some supervisory experience and/or GIS teaching experience. **Required Knowledge/Skills/Abilities:** A detail-oriented individual with a proven ability to meet deadlines. Experience with the ESRI suite of products is necessary. Candidates with experience in programming or database management are preferred. Candidates must

demonstrate effective teaching strategies that support a diverse student body.

Apply: Applications will be accepted via Salisbury University's Online Employment Application System. Please visit our website www.salisbury.edu/HR/Jobs to apply online. See the FAQs of the Online Employment Application System for more information and instructions.

To be considered an applicant, you must apply online and submit the following: a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, transcripts and the names, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of three professional references. If you have any questions about the position, please contact the search chair, Dr. Michael Scott at the email address listed below.

Note: If you have any documents that cannot be attached, please have these documents sent directly to Dr. Michael Scott via E-mail at msscott@salisbury.edu or via mail to his attention at Salisbury University, 1101 Camden Avenue, Salisbury, MD, 21801.

Applications received by January 15, 2010 will be given first consideration. The position will remain open until filled. Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. Appointment will be contingent upon verification of eligibility to work in the U.S. and is expected to begin March 1, 2010.

Founded in 1925, Salisbury University is one of 13 institutions that compose the University System of Maryland. Salisbury University is a selective undergraduate institution within the University System of Maryland. The University is close to ocean beaches and the Chesapeake Bay and 2-3 hours from the metropolitan areas of Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and Norfolk. SU has been sited nationally as one of the top ten public regional universities in the North according to the U.S. News and World Report, and has also been recognized by the Princeton Review and Kiplinger's magazine. SU has 379 full-time faculty members serving a student population of approximately 8,000.

Salisbury University has a strong institutional commitment to diversity and is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer, providing equal employment and educational opportunities to all those qualified, without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, marital status, disability, or sexual orientation.

NOV 09-126

***MASSACHUSETTS, BOSTON.**

The department of Geography & Environment at Boston University invites applications for two tenure-track **assistant professorships** specializing the areas of 1) Energy and 2) Sustainability Science with a focus on the interface of human and environmental systems.

Position (1): **Energy*** We seek a scholar with research and teaching interests in topics related to energy. Specific research and teaching interests are flexible, but should cover either general energy, policy, and/or energy markets. The successful candidate will contribute to the Department's Center for Energy & Environmental Studies and participate in efforts to integrate energy studies in the College of Arts & Sciences, the School of Management, and the School of Engineering at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. We encourage applications from candidates trained in a wide spectrum of social science disciplines including Geography, Economics, Political Science, Public Policy, and Management.

Position (2): **Sustainability Science*** We seek a scholar with research and teaching interests in topics related to environmental sustainability. Specific research and teaching interests are flexible, but the emphasis is on the social science dimensions of sustainability *per se*, public policy, and/or economic development. The successful candidate will contribute to a new departmental initiative in sustainability science and will have the opportunity to collaborate with a wide range related programs across the campus including those in International Relations, Political Science, Economics, the African Studies Center, the Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer Range Future, and the Boston University School of Public Health. We encourage applicants from a broad spectrum of disciplines including Geography, Economics, and Political Science, as well as from a variety of public policy programs.

Candidates should have a commitment to teaching and research, and a desire to work in an interdisciplinary setting. Applicants should submit a CV, a statement of teaching and research interests, a research paper or dissertation chapter, and contact information for at least three referees. Applicants with teaching experience are invited to submit teaching evaluations.

Apply: Electronic applications are encouraged and should be sent to ge@bu.edu, with the subject line "Energy Position" or "Sustain-

ability Science Position" as appropriate. Hard copies will also be accepted and should be addressed to Department of Geography & Environment, Boston University, 675 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215.

Boston University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

*Pending budgetary approval.

NOV 09-147

MASSACHUSETTS, CAMBRIDGE.

Environmental Fellows Program at Harvard University. Purpose: The Harvard University Center for the Environment created the Environmental Fellows program to enable recent doctorate recipients to use and expand Harvard's extraordinary resources to tackle complex environmental problems. The Environmental Fellows work for two years with Harvard faculty members in any school or department to create new knowledge while also strengthening connections across the University's academic disciplines. Environmental Fellows may include people with degrees in the sciences, social sciences, law, government, public policy, public health, medicine, design, and the full array of humanities. The award: The fellowship will provide an annual stipend of \$54,000 plus health insurance, a \$2,500 allowance for travel and professional expenses, and other employee benefits. Environmental Fellows will begin work in September 2010.

Apply: Applications and all letters of reference must be received by the Center for the Environment by 5pm Eastern Standard Time, January 15, 2010. The Center will announce the awards in March 2010. Complete details can be found at: environment.harvard.edu.

Harvard University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

OCT 09-110

***NEVADA, RENO.**

The Department of Geography at the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), Nevada, invites national and international applications for two **tenure-track Assistant Professor** positions, one in the area of **Paleoclimate Modeling** and the other in the area of **Ecoclimatology**. These positions will be initially funded through the current Nevada NSF-EPSCoR project entitled "Nevada Infrastructure for Climate Change Science, Education, and Outreach" (www.nevada.edu/epscor/nsf-overview.html). The appointments will begin August 1, 2010.

The successful candidates are expected to establish a widely recognized research program in climate change, supervise graduate students, and teach undergraduate and graduate courses. Salary and benefits are competitive and commensurate with experience and education.

For a full version of the position descriptions, and also to submit the required application materials by December 15, 2009, please visit the www.unrsearch.com website.

Apply: Applicants interested in both positions are required to submit a separate application for each job. For questions regarding the on-line application, please contact Ms. Shari Baughman, E-mail: sbaughman@unr.edu, phone: (775) 784-6995.

For inquiries on the Ecoclimatologist search or position description (www.unrsearch.com/applicants/Central?quickFind=54135), please contact Dr. Franco Biondi (fbiondi@unr.edu). For inquiries on the Paleoclimate Modeler search or position description (www.unrsearch.com/applicants/Central?quickFind=54134), please contact Dr. Scott Bassett (sbassett@unr.edu). To learn more about UNR, visit us at www.unr.edu.

EEO/AA. Women and underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

NOV 09-152

NEW HAMPSHIRE, KEENE.

The Department of Geography at Keene State College invites applications for a full-time tenure-track position as **Assistant Professor in Geography Education** to begin August, 2010. Geography is a dynamic, growing department of five full-time tenure-track faculty which offers a BA, minor and a GIS certificate.

The Department is a vibrant, student-centered, and collaborative unit in the School of Sciences and Social Sciences; our program has increased steadily in the number of majors over the past several years. Over one-half of the Geography majors also major in either elementary or secondary education. Productive collaborations among faculty and students in Geography and other areas are ongoing. Capstone seminars emphasize real-world, community based service learning projects. Complementing this, the Keene State College Department of Geography is the home to the New Hampshire Geo-

graphic Alliance which serves K-12 teachers and students throughout the state. For information about the Geography Department visit: www.keeneweb.org/geography.

The successful candidate for this position will be committed to excellence in teaching undergraduates and a dynamic research agenda. Teaching responsibilities include a variety of courses such as Introduction to Geography, Geography for Teachers, Geospatial Technologies for Teachers, and capstone seminar courses for geography majors. Additionally, the candidate will be expected to develop courses in an area of specialization and engage in national/international field courses.

In addition to teaching, the position includes responsibilities as the Primary Coordinator for the NH Geographic Alliance and requires engaged involvement in state and national geography education activities. Student advising and service to the department, college, and wider community is expected. Faculty members are expected to teach courses in the college's Integrative Studies Program, a transformational approach to general education. A major part of Keene State College's mission is the promotion of academic excellence as demonstrated by a commitment to diversity and multiculturalism. We strongly encourage individuals to apply who have a desire to help the College's ongoing efforts to provide opportunities to help students become responsible global citizens.

Qualifications Required: seeking highly motivated and broadly trained candidates with an earned Doctorate in Geography or related field by August 1, 2010; full-time teaching experience in the 6-12 setting or have college teaching experience in teacher preparation; and experience employing geospatial technologies, including Geographic Information Systems (GIS). Preference will be given to candidate who have working knowledge of assessment methodologies. Salary is competitive and is based on the KSCEA collective bargaining unit.

Apply: Please submit letter of application, curriculum vitae, and contact information of three references to Geography Search, FAC#11, via e-mail to: cgreene@keeneweb.org or mail to: Office of Human Resource Management, Keene State College, 229 Main Street, Keene, NH 03435-1604.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Materials should arrive by November 15, 2009 to assure full consideration.

As an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer, Keene State College is engaged in an effort to build a community that reflects the diversity of society.

OCT 09-122

***NEW MEXICO, ALBUQUERQUE.**

New Mexico, Albuquerque. **Chair, Tenured Associate or Full Professor**, Department of Geography, University of New Mexico, starting August 2010.

The Chair will assume a leadership position in a vibrant department, which seeks to enhance its regional and national reputation. Minimum qualifications are a PhD in geography or related field and a current appointment as a Professor or advanced Associate Professor with tenure. Preferred qualifications are demonstrated excellence in teaching and research, demonstrated or potential adminis-

trative and leadership skills in an active department with a graduate program, and the ability to teach courses and mentor graduate students within the department's focus areas. Candidates with these qualifications who are capable of teaching upper-level courses in GISc will be given special consideration.

Founded in 1889, The University of New Mexico occupies 600 acres along old Route 66 in the heart of Albuquerque, a city of more than 700,000 people. As New Mexico's flagship university, UNM is committed to diversity and boasts a number of nationally recognized programs in multiple disciplines. UNM is the only institution in the country that has a Carnegie Very High Research Activity designation and a federal designation as a Hispanic-serving institution.

The department has recently expanded and revitalized. Five new faculty members have been added in the last three years, and the curriculum has been revised to reflect the department's emphasis on Environmental Management, Nature and Society, GISc, and



**LEHMAN
COLLEGE**

Assistant Professor in Environmental Health

The MPH Program, Lehman College, the senior college of The City University of New York in the Bronx, which specializes in community-based public health and health equity, invites applications for a tenure track position at the Assistant Professor rank to begin Fall 2010 to teach graduate and undergraduate courses in environmental health. The MPH Program is situated in the Department of Health Sciences, but the candidate will also be expected to teach courses in Environmental Geography and Geographic Information Science in the Geographic Information Science (GISc) Program in the Department of Environmental, Geographic and Geological Sciences (EGGS) which specializes in health and environmental spatial science with a strong emphasis on quantitative analysis and modeling. In addition to teaching, the candidate is also expected to advise students, engage in scholarly research and publication, seek outside funding, collaborate in developing a research agenda for the Programs and actively participate in Departmental and College committees and professional organizations.

Candidates must have a doctoral degree in public health, environmental health/geography (with a GISc research focus) or a related field by time of appointment and evidence of the potential for active research and publication. We are seeking candidates who desire to contribute to the creation of dynamic, growing public health and GISc programs with a diverse student body and strong commitment to working with communities.

Please submit a print and electronic CV, and a letter identifying relevant teaching and research interests and experience, and the names and contact information for three professional references to: Jane Levitt, Ph. D., Department of Health Sciences, Gillet 431, Lehman College, CUNY, 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West Bronx, NY 10468, Jane.Levitt@lehman.cuny.edu.

Visit our website at www.lehman.edu for upcoming vacancy announcements.

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the Southwest. Preferred fields of specialization are within environmental geography broadly defined, including natural resource conservation and management, environmental planning and sustainability, natural hazards, rural and urban ecosystems, resource economics and policy, and landscape ecology. Individuals with other areas of specialization are also encouraged to apply.

Apply: Applicants please apply through UNMJobs at <http://unmjobs.unm.edu> under Faculty Positions, reference Posting # 0803295. Submit as separate attachments through UNMJobs 1) a letter addressing interest in the position and relevant experience, 2) a CV, and 3) a list of three references with contact information.

The University of New Mexico is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. For best consideration, applications should be submitted by January 30, 2010 and applications will continue to be reviewed until the position is filled. UNM's confidentiality policy (Recruitment and Hiring, Policy #3210) which includes information about public disclosure of documents submitted by applicants, is located at www.unm.edu/~ubppm. UNM is building a culturally diverse faculty and encourages applications from women and minority candidates.

NOV 09-140

*OREGON, PORTLAND.

The Nohad A. Toulan School of Urban Studies and Planning at Portland State University seeks applications for a tenure-track **assistant or associate professor** to start in Fall 2010. Candidates must have an earned doctorate (or be in the final stages of their degree) in city and regional planning, urban studies, economics, or a related social science, and a scholarly commitment to the field of urban planning.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach required and elective undergraduate and graduate courses in urban economics, sustainable economic development, and urban studies methods. School priorities include research, outreach, and practice interests in the sustainability dimensions of urban and regional planning and community development; international applications; and/or affordable housing and neighborhood development. Familiarity with both quantitative and qualitative methods and action research is desirable.



**LEHMAN
COLLEGE**

Associate/Full Professor-Department Chair
Department of Environmental, Geographic, and Geological Sciences

The Chairperson is expected to provide the leadership necessary to develop and expand the Department, such as implementing new academic programs and recruitment to the departmental majors. The Chair's duties entail fostering an environment that promotes excellence in faculty teaching, significant extramurally-funded research, and service to the profession and the community, as well as managing and/or supervising the majority of the administrative tasks in the department. It is expected that the successful candidate will participate fully in the life of the Department, College, and University, including teaching, committee work, obtaining grants, publishing in refereed professional journals, and mentoring junior faculty.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. with a specialization in Environmental Science or Environmental Geography and an emphasis on Geographic Information Science applications and research required. The successful candidate will have an established record of nationally-recognized scholarship in these areas, and will have demonstrated effectiveness in teaching that merits appointment as an Associate Professor or Professor. Substantial administrative experience, as well as experience in the development and management of interdisciplinary academic and research programs, particularly those related to environmental issues, preferred.

Submit a letter of application indicating specialty area, Curriculum Vitae, and the names and contact information for three professional references to: Search Committee of the Chair for the Department of Environmental, Geographic, and Geological Sciences, Lehman College/CUNY 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West Bronx, NY 10468. Please also submit these materials electronically to: e-mail: Juliana.Maantay@Lehman.cuny.edu.

Visit our website at www.lehman.edu for upcoming vacancy announcements.
Lehman College is an AA/EEO/ADA/IRCA Employer.



Full job description and application requirements are listed on our website at: www.pdx.edu/usp. Application reviews will begin January 15, 2010. For further information, please contact Dr. Karen Gibson, Search Committee Chair, gibsonk@pdx.edu or Dr. Connie Ozawa, School Director, ozawac@pdx.edu.

Portland State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Institution and, in keeping with the President's diversity initiative, welcomes applications from diverse candidates and candidates who support diversity.

NOV 09-146

*SOUTH CAROLINA, CLEMSON.

The Department of History at Clemson University invites applications for a tenure-track position in **Environmental Geography** at the **Assistant Professor** level beginning August 2010. We seek a candidate with a broad knowledge of contemporary environ-

mental issues, sustainability and human/land interactions. Preference will be given to candidates with research interests in environmental impacts of economic growth in developing countries; natural resource and policy interests, and land use/land cover change. Regional expertise in Europe or Asia desired. Additional strength in geo-spatial technologies would be an advantage. Primary teaching responsibilities include introductory world regional courses and advanced level courses in his/her area of specialization. Applicants should display promise of teaching excellence and strong evidence of scholarly potential. A PhD in Geography is required at time of appointment.

Located in the Upstate of South Carolina, Clemson University is a land grant public research university. The Department of History consists of 24/teacher/scholars, including 3 professional geographers, has over 250 undergraduate majors and offers a minor in geography. For additional in-

formation about the department see: www.clemson.edu/caah/history.

Applicants should submit a letter describing their research and teaching interests, three letters of recommendation, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and a current c.v. For full consideration please apply by November 10, 2009.

Clemson University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer and does not discriminate against any individual or group of individuals on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation or veteran status.

Apply: Dr. Christa Smith, Search Committee Chair, Department of History, Clemson University, 126 Hardin Hall, Clemson, SC 29634-0527.

NOV 09-128

*SOUTH CAROLINA, CONWAY.

Assistant Professor of Geography. The Department of Politics and Geography at Coastal Carolina University is accepting applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor. Appointment effective August 16, 2010. Successful candidate must be able to teach regional geography, as well as courses relevant for the anticipated addition of a Geography Minor and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) courses to the curriculum. PhD in geography or other relevant field required by the time of appointment.

Coastal Carolina University is a public mid-sized, comprehensive liberal arts-oriented institution. CCU is located in Conway, South Carolina, nine miles from the Atlantic coastal resort of Myrtle Beach, one of the fastest-growing metropolitan areas in the nation. It has an enrollment of 8,400 students and is expected to have continued growth for the next several years. CCU is part of the South Carolina system of public education and has close ties with its founder, the Horry County Higher Education Commission. Teaching assignments at CCU may include evening/weekend courses and courses taught at off-campus locations.

Apply: submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three references electronically at: <http://jobs.coastal.edu>. Also submit copies of transcripts, teaching evaluations if available, and letters from the three references listed above di-

rectly to Professor Alan Little, Search Committee Chair, Department of Politics and Geography, Coastal Carolina University, P.O. Box 261954, Conway SC, 29528-6054. Review of applications will begin October 30, 2009 and continue until position filled.

For additional information please contact Professor Little at alittle@coastal.edu or (843) 349-2785, or Dr. Ken Rogers, Chair of the Department of Politics and Geography at krogers@coastal.edu or (843) 349-6507.

Coastal Carolina University is building a diverse faculty and encourages applications from women and underrepresented minorities. Coastal Carolina University is an EO/AA employer.

NOV 09-138

*SOUTH DAKOTA, BROOKINGS.

Associate Professor or Full Professor, Geographic Information Science Center of Excellence, South Dakota State University. The Geographic Information Science Center of Excellence (GIScCE) invites faculty applications from scientists with research interests in **quantitative remote sensing, large-area terrestrial monitoring and/or modeling.** Specialization in one of the following areas is preferred: 1) land/atmosphere interactions and climate modeling, 2) active sensors (radar and/or lidar) for vegetation characterization, 3) modeling the dynamics of coupled human-environmental systems. We seek motivated, broad-thinking scientist-educators to establish vigorous research programs and provide intellectual leadership in their field. GIScCE faculty have 80% research, 10% service and 10% teaching loads.

The GIScCE is a collaboration with the USGS Center for Earth Resources Observation and Science (EROS). For more information, visit <http://globalmonitoring.sdstate.edu>, for a list of required qualifications and directions for online application, visit <https://yourfuture.sdbor.edu>. For questions on the electronic employment process, contact SDSU Human Resources at (605) 688-4128. Screening will begin December 21, 2009 and continue until position is filled.

SDSU is an AA/EEO employer and encourages applications from women and minorities. ADA Accommodations: (605) 688-4394.

NOV 09-143

TEXAS, COLLEGE STATION.

The Department of Geography at Texas A&M University (<http://geography.tamu.edu>) invites applications for a **Head of Department** at the **Full Professor** rank. The position is a nine-month tenured appointment with a three-month administrative appointment while serving as Head. We seek a person with an outstanding reputation in Geography, a proven track record of academic leadership and evidence of administrative skills. The Department comprises 23 faculty and has strengths in biogeography, climatology, geomorphology, human geography, human-environment relationships, GIScience, and geographic education. We are based in the College of Geosciences (<http://geosciences.tamu.edu>) with the Departments of Atmospheric Science, Geology & Geophysics, and Oceanography, and play a major role in the Environmental Programs in Geosciences. The Department has strong ties to faculty and departments in the Colleges of Architecture, Agriculture & Life Sciences, Education, Engineering and Liberal Arts; the Bush School of Public Policy and the Glasscock Center for the Humanities.

Candidates should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and names and addresses (including e-mail addresses) of three referees to the search committee chair: Dr. Kenneth Bowman, Department of Atmospheric Sciences, Texas A&M University, 3150 TAMU, College Station, TX, 77843-3150, k-bowman@tamu.edu, 979-458-0559. Further details are available at <http://geography.tamu.edu/headsearch>. Review of applications will begin on November 1, 2009 and will continue until the position is filled. We anticipate that on-site interviews will begin in late January 2010.

Texas A&M University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. The University is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic community committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment. We strongly encourage applications from underrepresented groups and individuals with disabilities.

OCT 09-115

TEXAS, COLLEGE STATION.

Texas A&M University. The Department of Geography (<http://geog.tamu.edu>) invites applications for a tenure-track position in **Human Geography** at the **Assistant Professor**

level, to begin in September 2010. We seek a geographer researching global economic and/or political processes. Possible specializations are health geography, urbanization, large-scale organizations and institutions, or public policy, however other specializations will be seriously considered. Ability to teach introductory undergraduate GIS is desirable.

The successful candidate is expected to solidify the human geography research cluster and support the human-environment research cluster. Outstanding opportunities exist for collaboration with other departments, research units, and interdisciplinary initiatives within the College of Geosciences (<http://geosciences.tamu.edu>) and the University (e.g., the George Bush School of Government and Public Service, and the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Agriculture & Life Sciences, the Department of Urban and Regional Planning). The successful applicant must have a strong commitment to quality teaching at both undergraduate and graduate levels, and demonstrate the potential to initiate and maintain vigorous, externally funded research programs. The PhD is required at time of appointment.

Apply: Candidates should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and names and addresses (including e-mail addresses) of three referees to: Professor Jonathan M. Smith, Search Committee Chair (jmsmith@tamu.edu). Review of applications will begin on November 1, 2009.

Texas A&M University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. The University is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic community committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment. We strongly encourage applications from women, underrepresented ethnic groups, and individuals with disabilities.

OCT 09-111

*TEXAS, DENTON.

The Department of Geography at the University of North Texas (UNT) invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor in **Human Geography** specializing in **Hispanic Studies** starting September 1, 2010.

As a tenure-track member of the faculty, candidates will be expected to develop a record of scholarly research necessary to obtain tenure. Candidates will also be ex-

pected to effectively teach undergraduate and graduate students, supervise graduate students, and serve the department and university. The normal departmental teaching load is two courses per semester.

Minimum qualifications: (1) an earned doctorate; (2) research experience in US-Mexico relations; (3) regional expertise in Mexico; and (4) prior instructional experience.

Preferred qualifications: (1) knowledge of sustainable development; and (2) research expertise in additional region(s) of Middle/South America.

This is an outstanding opportunity to be part of a dynamic, interdisciplinary program addressing human/environment interactions of regional and global importance. The department exemplifies the university's vision of a student-centered research institution emphasizing diversity, internationalization, and collaboration. We offer both bachelors and masters degrees in geography and are primary contributors to interdisciplinary masters and doctoral programs in environmental science. UNT is an emerging national research institution located in the vibrant and rapidly expanding Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area. University enrollment is over 36,000 students.

Apply: applicants must apply at: <https://facultyjobs.unt.edu>. Submit all required materials, including: (1) cover letter; (2) statement of teaching philosophy; (3) statement of research interests; (4) complete curriculum vitae; and (5) names, mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers for three references. Review of applications begins November 15, 2009, continuing until the search is closed.

UNT is an AA/ADA/EOE committed to diversity.

NOV 09-141

TEXAS, HUNTSVILLE.

Sam Houston State University seeks to fill the position of **Chair** of the Department of Geography and Geology beginning August 2010. This is a tenured position at the rank of **Associate or Full Professor** depending on qualifications. The successful candidate must have a relevant record of administrative experience and have demonstrated excellence in teaching, service, and scholarship. A PhD in geography or a related field is required. The candidate will have expertise in geospatial technology that complements our existing

mix of GIS, remote sensing, computer cartography and visualization skills, or other relevant geospatial technologies, that will support our new Master of Applied Geospatial Technology degree. The Chair will be a forward-looking leader, an advocate for the department, faculty and staff, able to maintain the strong connections between the Geography and Geology programs, and remain engaged in and provide leadership for his/her areas of research and scholarship.

The Department presently has 12 full-time faculty and offers degrees in geography (B.A., B.S.), social science composite – geography emphasis (B.A., B.S.), and geology (B.S.). The Department supports two GIS-related minors (GIS and GSS), maintains modern GIS and remote sensing labs, and possesses a broad range of modern field and laboratory equipment. Sam Houston State University, located about 70 miles north of Houston, is one of Texas' fast growing universities with over 16,000 students and 79 undergraduate, 54 masters, and five doctoral programs.

Letters of interest must be received by December 1, 2009 and will be reviewed until the position is filled.

Apply: Send a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, statements of teaching, research, and administrative philosophies, three sample publications, unofficial graduate transcripts, and the names and contact information (including email) of three referees to Dr. Donald Albert, Chair of Geography and Geology Search Committee, Department of Geography and Geology, Box 2148, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX 77341-2148. Voice: 936-294-1453. Fax: 936-294-4203. Email: geo_dpa@shsu.edu.

Sam Houston State University is an EEO/AAP employer.

OCT 09-117

*VIRGINIA, BLACKSBURG.

Virginia Tech's School of Public & International Affairs (SPIA) invites applications for tenure-track faculty positions in its **Urban Affairs & Planning** (UAP) program to start August 2010: a senior position at Blacksburg and junior position at the NCR campus. A doctorate is required by the start date in planning or a related field.

Apply: applications and supporting documents (except reference letters) must be submitted online at www.jobs.vt.edu (paper documents cannot be accepted), reference

posting #090558 for the senior position or #090557 for the junior position. For a complete position announcement including necessary application materials and information on UAP and SPIA please visit www.uap.vt.edu and www.spia.vt.edu. Application review will begin November 1, 2009.

Virginia Tech is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

NOV 09-142

VIRGINIA, NORFOLK.

Old Dominion University invites applications for one tenure-track **Assistant Professor** in its Geography Program to begin in August 2010. The Program is seeking an **Environmental Geographer** with geospatial technology skills to teach introductory environmental geography and to develop upper-division courses in areas of specialization. A regional specialization beyond North America (especially Asia and/or Latin America) will be considered an advantage. Applicants must have effective communication skills, evidence of a long-term research agenda, and a strong commitment to undergraduate education. PhD in Geography is required by time of appointment (8-15-10). For more information on the geography program see <http://al.odu.edu/pols-geog/academics/geog/>.

Apply: Submit a letter explaining your interest in the position, a CV, available evidence of teaching excellence, copies of recent publications, and three letters of reference to: Dr. Jonathan Leib, Chair, Geography Search Committee, Department of Political Science and Geography, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 23529-0088. Email: jleib@odu.edu.

Review of applicants will begin October 15, 2009 and continue until the position is filled.

Old Dominion University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution and requires compliance with the Immigration, Reform and Control Act of 1986.

OCT 09-120

WASHINGTON, BOTHELL.

Assistant Professor, Geographic Analysis and Visualization. Tenure-track, one full-time position. The Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences Program at the University of Washington Bothell seeks a dynamic educator who can integrate teaching, research, and practice in geographic analysis and representation,

including GIS, across diverse fields of study. Two-years teaching experience and PhD required at time of appointment.

For more information, see <http://www.washington.edu/admin/acadpers/ads/aa2379.html>, or e-mail the search committee chair, Professor David Stokes, at dstokes@uwb.edu. Preferred deadline: October 23, 2009. This position is contingent upon available funding. University of Washington faculty members engage in teaching, research and service.

The University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. We are particularly interested in faculty who contribute to diversifying the undergraduate and graduate curricula.

OCT 09-114

*WISCONSIN, MADISON.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison seeks candidates for an **Assistant Professor** (tenure-track) position with a specialization in **Hmong Studies or related highland societies in Southeast Asia** and/or adjacent regions. Appointment to begin August 2010. PhD required.

Previous teaching experience at the college/university level desirable but not required. Duties include teaching at the undergraduate and graduate level, conduct scholarly research in area of expertise, and perform university and professional service as appropriate. The successful candidate will be expected to do collaborative work in the Center for Southeast Studies and participate in program activities. The tenure home for the appointment will reside in a department appropriate to the candidate's discipline, i.e., social sciences or arts and humanities. To ensure full consideration, applications must be received by December 1, 2009.

Apply: applications and three letters of reference, in PDF format, should be sent via email to: Dr. Michael Cullinane at mmcullin@wisc.edu and Professor Kris Olds at kolds@wisc.edu.

For additional information, see http://www.ohr.wisc.edu/pvl/pv_062881.html and <http://hmongstudiesmadison.wordpress.com/>.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison is an equal opportunity employer and encourages women and minorities to apply. A criminal background check may be required prior to employment.

NOV 09-135

*WISCONSIN, OSHKOSH.

The Department of Geography and Urban Planning invites applications of Urban/Regional Planners with strong background in Geography or alternatively Geographers with strong background in Urban/Regional Planning for tenure-track **Assistant Professor** position. PhD in **Urban/Regional Planning, Geography, or related discipline** required. Additional interest in GIS/Remote Sensing and/or Economic Geography or Urban/Regional Economics is desirable. Teaching responsibilities include courses in Urban/Regional Planning and courses based on departmental needs and candidate's area of expertise. Preference will be given to candidates with record of excellence in teaching and scholarship. The successful candidate will be expected to maintain an active research record, pursue extramural funding, and advise students.

Apply: Send letter of application, CV, transcripts (photocopies acceptable), 3 current letters of recommendation, and evidence of teaching and research quality to: Personnel Committee Chair, Department of Geography & Urban Planning, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, 800 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh, WI 54901-8642.

Application deadline January 15, 2010. Employment requires criminal background check. AA/EOE.

NOV 09-129

*WISCONSIN, PLATTEVILLE.

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville Geography Program invites applications for a tenure track position in **Environmental Geography** (either physical or cultural emphasis) and **Geographic Information Systems (GIS)**. The position will begin in August of 2010 and be at the **Assistant Professor** rank. Successful candidates will be expected to teach introductory environmental geography and GIS courses, as well as upper level undergraduate courses in their area of specialization.

UWP Geography has a strong tradition of providing field experiences and mentoring undergraduate research. The ideal candidate will plan to continue those traditions in environmental geography and/or GIS. In addition, UWP requires scholarly activity and university and community service for retention and tenure. Qualifications for the position include: 1) PhD in Geography completed with transcripts no later than January 1, 2011; 2) specialization in Environmental Geography and GIS; 3) prior

teaching and research experience in geography; 4) a commitment to or experience with undergraduate field-based research; and 5) a demonstrated commitment to or experience with racially diverse populations.

Review of applications will begin December 15, 2009 and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates should submit a letter of application including statements regarding their teaching philosophy and experience with or commitment to diversity, a current vita, and letters of recommendation from three references. Applications by e-mail are strongly discouraged.

Apply: Application materials should be sent to Dr. J. Elmo Rawling 3rd, Chair, Search and Screen Committee, Department of Social Sciences/Geography, 1 University Plaza, Platteville, WI 53818. For more information contact Dr. Rawling at rawlingj@uwplatt.edu or (608) 342-1680.

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville, an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer, seeks to build a diverse faculty and staff and encourages applications from women and persons of color. The names of nominees and applicants who have not requested in writing that their identities be kept confidential, and of all finalists, will be released upon request. Employment will require a criminal background check and a formal transcript.

NOV 09-133

INTERNATIONAL

*CANADA, BURNABY.

Simon Fraser University, Department of Geography, **Physical Geography: Atmospheric Science**. The Department of Geography at Simon Fraser University, in Burnaby, British Columbia, invites applications for a tenure track faculty appointment in **Meteorology/ Climatology**. We seek a physical scientist with research interests in atmospheric or climate science. Links to other branches of physical geography/earth system science, and the human impacts of climate change are desirable. The appointment will be at the rank of **Assistant Professor** and will begin September 1, 2010. For further application details please visit www.sfu.ca/geography/employment.html.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. However, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Simon Fraser University is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from all

qualified women and men, including visible minorities, aboriginal people and, persons with disabilities.

Under the authority of the University Act, personal information that is required by the University for academic appointment competition will be collected. For further details see the Collection Notice: www.sfu.ca/vpacademic/Faculty_Openings/Collection_Notice.html.

NOV 09-131

*CANADA, LONDON.

The University of Western Ontario, **Director of the Center for Environment and Sustainability**. Environment and sustainability constitute an interdisciplinary area at The University of Western Ontario, with principal participation from the Faculties of Science, Engineering, and Social Science. An ongoing major initiative is the establishment of a centre for research and teaching in environment and sustainability. The University of Western Ontario now invites applications or nominations for a senior-level faculty appointment as the first Director of the Centre for Environment and Sustainability (CES).

The selected candidate will be appointed with tenure either as **Professor or Associate Professor** in an appropriate academic Department. The initial term of the Directorship will be for a period of 5 years. The starting date will be July 1, 2010 or thereafter.

The Faculty of Science (home page www.uwo.ca/sci) is host Faculty for the Centre, and the Faculty of Engineering (www.eng.uwo.ca) and the Faculty of Social Science (www.ssc.uwo.ca) are designated Participating Faculties. It is anticipated the appointment will be made in one of the departments in the Faculties of Science, Engineering, or Social Science. The Director will be expected to lead a vigorous and internationally competitive research program, to supervise graduate and undergraduate student research, and to participate in teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels. In addition, a significant portion of effort will be directed to leading, developing, and administering the Centre for Environment and Sustainability. A description of the Centre, program details, and other information can be found on the CES web site (www.uwo.ca/enviro/index.htm). The Director will be expected to coordinate and accelerate the development of comprehensive environment

and sustainability programs in research, undergraduate education, and graduate studies at Western, to raise the profile of the Centre within Canada, and to advance the University's growth in internationalization by fostering collaborative international research and international student experiences in the area of environment and sustainability.

Applications are invited from all interested and qualified individuals. The successful candidate must have an excellent research record in a relevant area and demonstrate the high level of vision, leadership and resourcefulness appropriate to the position of Director.

Apply: candidates should submit a statement of interest and intent, curriculum vitae, research plan, teaching dossier, and the names, addresses of at least three referees to: Professor David M. Wardlaw, Dean, Faculty of Science, The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario N6A 5B7, Canada.

Consideration of applications will begin on November 15, 2009. This position is subject to budgetary approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Western Ontario is committed to employment equity and welcomes applications from all qualified women and men, including visible minorities, aboriginal people and persons with disabilities.

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*CANADA, CALGARY.

Mount Royal University. Job Title: **Assistant Professor, General Science**. Competition Number: 6245BA. Position Type: Tenure Track Assistant Professor. Department: Earth Sciences. Competition Closes: March 30, 2010. Visit our web site at mtroyal.ca/Employment-Careers for additional information.

Mount Royal University. Job Title: **Assistant Professor, Earth Science**. Competition Number: 6246BA. Position Type: Tenure Track. Department: Earth Sciences. Competition Closes: March 30, 2010. Visit our web site at mtroyal.ca/EmploymentCareers for additional information.

Mount Royal University. Job Title: **Assistant Professor, Physical Geography**. Competition Number: 6247BA. Position Type: Tenure Track. Department: Earth Sciences. Competition Closes: November 15, 2009. Visit our web

site at mtroyal.ca/EmploymentCareers for additional information.

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*UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, ABU DHABI.

New York University is establishing a campus in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, and invites applications for one or more faculty positions at any level (**Assistant, Associate or Full Professor**) in a multidisciplinary program called **Urbanization**.

We encourage applicants from any of the social sciences (economics, political science, sociology, anthropology, human geography), urban policy or planning. We are particularly interested in applicants with a global or comparative focus. The terms of employment are competitive compared to U.S. benchmarks and include housing and educational subsidies for children. Faculty may also spend time at NYU in New York

and at its other global campuses. The appointment might begin as soon as September 1, 2010, or could be delayed until September 1, 2011.

NYU Abu Dhabi will be a partner campus of NYU, consisting of a highly selective liberal arts and sciences college, distinctive graduate programs, and a world-class Institute for advanced research, scholarship, and creative work. NYU Abu Dhabi is recruiting faculty of exceptional quality in teaching and professional accomplishment who will work closely with NYU colleagues. It will offer undergraduate and graduate degrees, and extraordinary opportunities for research and for creative work across the Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, Sciences, and Engineering. It will have the resources and commitment to become a leading center of intellectual pursuit, collaboration and impact.

NYU New York and NYU Abu Dhabi will be integrally connected, together form-

ing the foundation of a unique global network university, actively linked to NYU's study and research sites on five continents. NYU Abu Dhabi's first class of students will arrive in fall 2010; its research and public programs have commenced this fall.

The review of applications will begin on December 1, 2009. Applicants need to submit a curriculum vitae, statement of research and teaching interests, representative publications and three letters of reference in PDF form to be considered.

Apply: Please visit our website at <http://nyuad.nyu.edu/human.resources/open.positions.html> for instructions and other information on how to apply. If you have any questions, please e-mail nyuad.urbanization@nyu.edu.

NYU Abu Dhabi is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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AAG Thanks Intern Najwa Womack

The AAG wishes to thank intern Najwa Womack for all of her hard work and boundless energy this past summer. During her three months with the AAG, Najwa assisted staff members with various education projects and other activities, including MyCOE (My Community, Our Earth) and the production of the *AAG Newsletter*.

A native of Washington, D.C., Najwa completed a bachelor's degree at Frostburg State University with a major in Interna-

tional Studies and a concentration in Development. In High School, she had an opportunity to participate in a foreign exchange program to South Africa and later on traveled to Morocco and Senegal. These experiences led to her interest in geography as she began to view the world as a "boundless classroom."



Womack

In the future, Najwa is strongly considering the Peace Corps and/or the possibility of working with the United Nations Development Program. From there, she plans to go back to graduate school to achieve a higher degree in international relations, then settling and working in a developing country. ■

Members Of Note

Barry Wellar, professor emeritus, geography and environmental studies, University of Ottawa, and **William L. (Bill) Garrison**, professor emeritus, civil and environmental engineering, University of California at Berkeley, gave an invited presentation at the 2009 joint meeting of the Canadian Operational Research Society and the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences, June 14-17 in

Toronto. The slide presentation, "OR and MS Inputs to Decisions about Sustainable Transport Practices" and the conference paper, "Enriching Sustainable Transport Decisions: Inputs from Operations Research and the Management Sciences," are posted at www.slideshare.net.

David Plane (University of Arizona) and **Rachel Franklin** (University of Mary-

land) were interviewed for a recent *Wall Street Journal* article which explored coming trends in youth migration to U.S. cities. "The Next Youth-Magnate Cities," written by Sue Shellenbarger and published in the September 30, 2009 edition, "asked six experts which 10 cities will emerge as the hottest, hippest destinations for highly mobile, educated workers in their 20s when the U.S. economy gets moving again." ■

Editor and Book Review Editor are being sought for *The Professional Geographer*. See page 13.

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NOVEMBER

6-7. **Middle States AAG Regional Meeting.** New Paltz, NY. Contact: Larry McGlinn (mcglinnl@newpaltz.edu).

6-7. **Nestval AAG Regional Meeting.** Salem, MA. Contact: Steven Young (syoun@saalemstate.edu).

15-21. 24th International Cartography Conference. Santiago, Chile. www.icc2009.cl.

15-21. Geography Awareness Week. www.mywonderfulworld.org.

16-20. International Conference on Soil Geography, "Soil Geography: New Horizons." Huatulco Santa Cruz, Oaxaca, Mexico. www.soilgeography09.fcencias.unam.mx.

22-24. **Southeast AAG Regional Meeting.** Knoxville, TN. Contact: Ron Kalafsky (kalafsky@utk.edu).

DECEMBER

7-18. United Nations Climate Change Conference. Copenhagen, Denmark. <http://en.cop15.dk>.

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MARCH

25-26. 41st Annual South Dakota State Geography Convention. Brookings, SD. www3.sdstate.edu/Academics/CollegeOfArtsAndSciences/Geography.

APRIL

5. 3rd Annual Global Environmental Sustainability Symposium. Central Connecticut State University. www.ccsu.edu/page.cfm?p=2334

14-18. AAG Annual Meeting. Washington, DC. www.aag.org.

22-24. Scandinavian and Baltic Studies joint conference. Seattle, WA. <http://depts.washington.edu/aabs>.

JULY

12-16. IGU/UIG Regional Conference 2010: "Bridging Diversity in a Globalising World." Tel Aviv, Israel. www.IGU2010.com.

12-16. ESRI User Conference. San Diego, CA. www.esri.com.

OCTOBER

6-8. Race, Ethnicity, and Place Conference. Binghamton, NY. <http://rep-conference@binghamton.edu>.

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APRIL

12-16. AAG Annual Meeting. Seattle, Washington. www.aag.org.

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FEBRUARY

24-28. AAG Annual Meeting. New York, NY. www.aag.org.

Award Deadlines

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NOVEMBER

1. J.B. Harley Research Fellowships in the History of Cartography. www.maphistory.info/harley.html.
2. American Geographical Society Library Fellowships. www.uwm.edu/Libraries/AGSL/fellowships.html.

DECEMBER

1. AAG Anderson Medal. <http://agsg.binghamton.edu>.
31. AAG Anne U. White Fund. www.aag.org/grantsawards/Annewhitefund.html.
31. AAG Darrel Hess Community College Geography Scholarships. www.aag.org/grantsawards.
31. AAG Dissertation Research Grants. www.aag.org/grantsawards/dissertation_research.html.
31. AAG Research Grants. www.aag.org/grantsawards/generalresearch.html.
31. AAG E. Willard and Ruby S. Miller Award. www.aag.org/grantsawards.
31. AAG International Geographic Information Fund. Student Travel Grant, Student Paper Award, and Graduate Research Award. www.aag.org/grantsawards.

31. AAG Mel Marcus Fund. www.aag.org/grantsawards/marcus.cfm
31. AAG Meredith F. Burrill Award. www.aag.org/grantsawards.
31. AAG Hoffman Award. www.aag.org/grantsawards.
31. J.B. Jackson Prize. www.aag.org/grantsawards/jackson_prize.cfm.
31. AAG Glenda Laws Award. www.aag.org/grantsawards.
31. AAG Meridian Book Award. www.aag.org/grantsawards.
31. AAG Globe Book Award. www.aag.org/grantsawards.

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JANUARY

10. Jeannette D. Black Memorial Fellowship, Brown University. www.brown.edu/Facilities/John_Carter_Brown_Library.
11. Newberry Library Fellowships (long-term). www.newberry.org/research/felshp/long-term.html.

FEBRUARY

19. David Woodward Memorial Fellowship in the History of Cartography. www.geography.wisc.edu/histcart/#fellow.

28. Kislak Fellowship in American Studies, Library of Congress. www.loc.gov/loc/kluge/fellowships/kislak.html.

MARCH

1. Newberry Library History of Cartography Fellowship (and other short-term awards). www.newberry.org/research/felshp/short-term.html.
2. American Geographical Society Library Fellowships. www.uwm.edu/Libraries/AGSL/fellowships.html.

MAY

15. Society for the History of Discoveries Essay Contest. www.sochistdisc.org.

AAG Grants and Competitions

The AAG offers numerous grants and awards. Visit www.aag.org/grantsawards for a full listing including detailed descriptions, deadlines, and application procedures.

NSF Grants and Competitions

Detailed information about NSF grants and awards is available at www.nsf.gov.

JIG Guidelines are available at www.aag.org/JIG/JIG_Guidelines.html.

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Student AAG members, student non-members, and unemployed geographers are encouraged to serve as conference volunteers at the 2010 AAG Annual Meeting to help offset their meeting registration costs.

Student members are eligible to receive a 10% refund on their registration fee for each hour worked (up to 10 hours maximum) for a 100% refund of the early student member registration rate of \$145. Non-member students and unemployed geographers who volunteer will be refunded according to the student member registration rate. For example, for 10 hours of work a non-member student or an unemployed geographer will be eligible for a \$145 refund of their meeting registration fee; for 5 hours of work the refund would be \$72.50.

Application guidelines and the application form are available at www.aag.org/annualmeetings/2010/volunteers.htm. Unemployed geographers must submit a letter outlining their financial need in addition to submitting the conference volunteer application form.

Applications will be accepted through February 8, 2010. Please be aware that this is a competitive program. The AAG receives more applications than it has available shifts. Once the schedule is fully staffed, names will be added to the conference volunteer waitlist.

Questions may be addressed to Stephanie Sydorko at ssydorko@conferencemanagers.com.

Reserve Your AAG Conference Hotel Room

The Wardman Park Marriott and Omni Shoreham conference hotels are now accepting reservations at AAG discounted rates for those attending the

AAG Annual Meeting, to be held April 14-18, 2010. These offers are valid for stays between April 8, 2010 and April 22, 2010 on a space available basis. Details,

including the AAG group code number required to receive room discounts, are available on the AAG website at www.aag.org/annualmeetings.

Deadline Extended to November 18 for AAG Annual Meeting Abstracts

www.aag.org/annualmeetings