Welcome to November, everyone! With the end of the semester approaching, I want to remind everyone to get signed up for your Spring courses. In Honors, we have a true bounty of amazing courses, and a lot of them have spaces open. Check out the link to our course descriptions:


Our advisors are waiting to meet with you if you have questions or want to talk through your schedule – email them for an appointment at honorsadvising@uwyo.edu or sign up with them directly on our advising page: https://www.uwyo.edu/honors/advising/index.html

I also invite you to let friends who aren’t in Honors know that if they have a 3.25 GPA or the instructor’s permission, they can sign up for open spots in these classes. I think it’s important for Honors to share the good things we have going on with interested students all over campus.

Finally, I enjoyed being in Orlando last week at the National Collegiate Honors Council conference. UW was represented by a nine-member team that included faculty, staff, and students. The conference is a great chance to connect with the people nationwide who work on Honors education, striving to make it a remarkable, value-added experience that stretches you as students and helps you think maybe a little differently than in regular classes in your major.

With everything that you have on your plates as students, I know Honors sometimes feels like one more thing, and students sometimes question whether they should stick it out. I’m more convinced than ever that it is worth sticking it out, persisting even on hard days, and taking advantage of the special experiences that come your way through Honors. As always, I am so impressed with all of you and so proud of you for committing to get the most possible out of your education and out of life.
ASK THE DEAN FEATURE IN HONORS COLLEGE MAGAZINE

Do you have a question for Dean Parolin? Please fill out the survey at the link below! Your question may be featured in our upcoming Honors College Magazine along with a personalized response from our Dean!

LINK TO SURVEY

HONORS COLLEGE SENIOR SURVEY

Spotlighting our Seniors

If you are graduating this semester we would love to highlight you in our Fall 2021 Honors College Magazine. Please complete the survey at the link below to be featured. Share with us your experiences, goals for the future, and capstone projects to celebrate your wonderful accomplishments!
UPCOMING SOAR OPPORTUNITIES!

- 11/04 - A Midsummer Night's Dream and Invited Works (Dance)
- 11/04 - 7:30 pm Ernie Watts & the Wyoming Jazz Ensemble
- 11/05 - 7 pm UW Planetarium Show - Leftovers! Asteroids, Comets, Meteors, and Rings
- 11/09 - 1 pm - Nasa Women in Stem Panel
- 11/09 - 7 pm - Home From School; The Children of Carlisle Film Screening for Native American Heritage Month
- 11/09 - 7 pm UW Planetarium Show - Wyoming Skies
- 11/09 - 7 pm November Good Mule: Ice on Fire
- 11/10 - 5 pm What is Alzheimer’s Disease: The Diversity of Alzheimer’s Disease; A Symposium organized by Dr. Karagh Brummond
- 11/12 - 12 pm Guest Speaker- Principal Scientist - Energy & Minerals at Illinois State Geological Survey-FREE Lunch

LOG INTO YOUR SOAR ACCOUNT FOR MORE INFORMATION

SOAR LEADERBOARD

1. Julia Burrows – Junior - Level 1 - 510
2. Simona Wambeke – Junior - Level 1 - 460
3. Anna Steele – Junior - Level 1 - 400
4. David Stotzer – Sophomore - Level 1 -380
5. Isabel Rieker – Sophomore - Level 1 - 370
6. Reata Hindman – Junior - Level 1 - 360
7. Lauren Sauley – Sophomore - Level 1 - 350
8. Calvin VanWormer–Sophomore Level 1 350
9. Kaylee Yeager – Sophomore - Level 1 - 320
10. Adre'Anna Phillips – Junior - Level 1 - 320
Hi Honors students,
This is a reminder about the J-Term 2022 course, “Data Science Deep Dive” (HP-4151-42; CRN: 29474). Students in this intensive, two-week course (4-17 January 2022) will explore important aspects of data processing and analysis (using the R programming language), including data management, reproducible workflows, data import and formatting, data distributions, data visualizations, factor reduction, linear and semi-parametric modeling, data simulation and cross-validation, and scientific communication. Collaborative discussions will be encouraged as each student works towards a completed analysis. There will be asynchronous lectures and synchronous web-based discussions. Students will decide on specific, synchronous meeting times. Students must have a (preferably original) dataset to work with; datasets will not be provided. This course is ideal for students currently working on independent projects (e.g. Honors Capstone projects). Honors students and all other highly qualified UW students may take this course. If you have any questions, please contact me, Dr. Patrick Kelley (jkelle24@uwyo.edu).

Best,
Patrick
This week in Honors Colloquium:

In Dr. Howe’s class this week, students have been discussing and presenting on Lightman’s Einstein’s Dreams in connection with other texts and have generated many excellent questions:

1. Does time exist beyond the artificial structure humans have created to map their existence?
2. Does a person’s age affect how they perceive time?
3. Can human-time and spacetime both be real?
4. Is time a function of biology?
5. Could humans and human society function without mechanical time?
6. If time is circular, does this mean that free will is an illusion?

(Thanks to Iris, Jaydee, and Pauline for the use of images from their slides)
November 2021 is National Native American Heritage Month! On behalf of Keepers of the Fire student organization, and the Native American Education, Research, & Cultural Center (NAERCC) we invite YOU!

On November 4th, 6:00pm @ A&S Auditorium

Please join us for a special film screening of Home From School; The Children of Carlisle, a documentary about a band of Northern Arapaho tribal elders and youth journeys from the Wind River Reservation to Pennsylvania in 2017 to retrieve the bodies of three children buried at Carlisle Indian boarding school over a century ago. They battle the U.S. Army bureaucracy, white community indifference, and their own dark chapter in American history, in a triumphant quest to bring the boys home and heal historic wounds.

We encourage that you wear orange in solidarity of the children that were stolen and lost to the boarding schools.

Following the film there will be a panel with the makers of the documentary, Yufna Soldier Wolf (Northern Arapaho), Jordan Dresser (Northern Arapaho), Sophie Barksdale, Juwan Willow (Northern Arapaho), and after the film there will be a reception held at the NAERCC (10th & Ivinson) for those who would like dinner and refreshments.
Dear Friends!

Please join the UW School of Energy Resources (SER) for a panel discussion on Rare Earth Element and Critical Mineral Development in Wyoming. The webinar will take place Monday, November 15, from 12:00 – 1:30 PM MT.

Featured on the panel will be the CEO of Rare Element Resources, Randy Scott, Thomas Tarka from the National Energy Technology Laboratory, and SER Research Scientists Melissa Firestone, Jada Garofalo, and Erin Phillips.

The panel will discuss conventional and unconventional REE sources and processes, a summary of the REE market, current REE law and policy, and opportunities for REE development in Wyoming.

The event is free and open to the public and CLE has been approved in Wyoming.

Registration for the event is required. A link is provided below or can be found on the UW School of Energy Resources Events webpage. Once registered, attendees will be emailed the webinar link no sooner than 24 hours before the start of the presentation, so it is important to register and have a good email address. Registrants may also submit questions for the panelists in advance through the registration portal.
Looking for a way to get involved in the community and help out dogs? Then join us on this Saturday, November 6th, in making dog toys for the Laramie Animal Welfare Society! Register [here](#)

SAFE Project is a nonprofit in Albany County, Wyoming, that supports survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and family violence. Join SLCE in making self-care kits for survivors on Saturday November 13th from 10:00-11:30am Register [here](#)
DIVERSITY ISSUES IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Date: Wednesday, November 10th, 2021
Time: 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Location: Classroom Building Laramie, WY 82072 Room #118
Presented By: Rosalyn Reese, Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Alz. Association

At the Alzheimer's Association, diversity and inclusion are vital to our mission. The Wyoming Chapter leads strategic initiatives to support diversity and a culture of inclusivity. These strategic initiatives also strengthen outreach to all populations, providing communities with resources and support to address the Alzheimer’s crisis.

Right now, 10K Wyomingites are living with Alzheimer’s and Dementia alongside the 33K Caregivers supporting these individuals.

Join us in person for a chance to learn more about how diverse and minority populations are affected by Alzheimer’s disease.

Or join us via Zoom Meeting
https://uwyo.zoom.us/j/91941218798

800.272.3900 | alz.org
EPA and its co-sponsors have launched the Environmental Justice (EJ) Video Challenge for Students to enhance communities’ capacity to address environmental inequities. Learn more about the challenge and how to apply.

Register for the Dec. 6 informational webinar.

The goals of the Challenge are to:

- Inspire students at accredited colleges and universities in the U.S. and its territories to work directly with communities in the identification and characterization of EJ challenges using data and publicly available tools, and
- Help communities address EJ challenges and/or vulnerabilities to environmental and public health hazards using data and publicly available tools.

In Phase 1, students will submit a video that demonstrates innovative approaches to identify and characterize an EJ issue(s) in a community using data and publicly available tools. Challenge participants will have a chance to win up to $20,000, as well as other additional benefits. Details on Phase 2 of the challenge will be shared at a later date.

Phase 1 submissions are due April 1, 2022 by 11:59 p.m. ET. Register for an informational webinar on Monday December 6 at 12 p.m. ET to learn more about the Challenge and to ask questions!

Challenge Co-Sponsor Organizations
The below organizations are co-sponsoring this challenge:
- American Public Health Association (APHA)
- Educational Partnerships for Innovation in Communities – Network (EPIC-N)
- Environmental Defense Fund (EDF)
- Environmental Justice
- Groundwork USA
The Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources invites you to

Wyoming Conservation Corps Open House

Noon - 2:00 pm, Friday, November 5
WCC House
1615 Fraternity Row
Refreshments provided

The Wyoming Conservation Corps (WCC) program is returning under the University of Wyoming’s Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources!

To note the change, the Haub School will host an open house. The public and UW campus community are invited to meet WCC staff, learn more about WCC programs, enjoy refreshments and tour the building. WCC is currently recruiting crew leaders and crew members for summer 2022, and the open house is an opportunity to learn more about these positions and the application process.

@wyomingconservationcorps<https://www.instagram.com/wyomingconservationcorps/>

This AmeriCorps program is made possible through a generous grant from ServeWyoming.

Read the full press release here
Fellowships, Internships & Grad School Opportunities

Frasure-Kruzel-Drew Fellowship at Department of State for those interested in Weapons Removal & Abatement

Note: This Fellowship is good for students with all sort of majors including economics, entrepreneurship, and agriculture.

Frasure-Kruzel-Drew Memorial Fellowship

Applications are now being accepted for the Frasure-Kruzel-Drew Memorial Fellowship. The FKD Memorial Fellowship is a two year, full-time paid professional opportunity to work with the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Political-Military Affair’s Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement (PMWRA), helping to reduce the harmful effects of landmines, illicitly proliferated small arms and ammunition, and indiscriminately used conventional weapons of war. Upon completion, many fellows accept full-time positions at the Department of State.

Fellows will help:
• Reduce the impact of armed conflict
• Restart the safe use of agricultural land
• Support economic development
• Enable the return of displaced people

Two fellows are selected each year: one a Johns Hopkins University student and the other a non-Johns Hopkins University student. Eligibility is limited to college seniors (who will have graduated by the time their fellowship term would begin) and recent graduates (within one year) of a four-year institution of higher education, as well as students in their final year (or within one year of having completed) of advanced degree programs. If accepted to the program, fellows will need to obtain a SECRET level clearance.

The FKD Memorial Fellowship functions within a partnership between the U.S. Department of State and the JHU Whiting School of Engineering’s Commercial and Government Program Office. The fellowship is both funded and hosted by PMWRA in their Washington, D.C. office, and includes opportunities for global travel. This unique partnership allows fellows to gain all the experiences of an entry-level public service position, with the support of a tailored mentorship program and access to the resources of a world-class university.

If you are interested in jump starting your career as a Foreign Service Officer, submit a cover letter and resume to FKDinfo@CGPO.jhu.edu. Applications are being accepted until Friday, Dec. 3.
percolate with your professor

- SUN 11/7 - 10 AM CHRIS DEWEY @ TURTLE ROCK
- MON 11/8 - 10 AM KENT DRUMMOND AND SUSAN ARONSTEIN @ TURTLE ROCK

sign up here!