Weekly MEGA MEMO  October 9, 2015

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Department Calendar  /  Department Blog

MA/PhD: Exams and Defenses:
I will post Graduate student exams and defenses here.

Oct. 9:  PhD Prospectus Presentation: Jonathan Hill
Title: Removal on The Mainstream Musical Frontier:
Indigenous Production and the Politics of Silence in Popular
Music Industries
2:00-4:00pm, Machmer E31

Oct. 14: PhD Comprehensive Exam, Jonathan Hill
10:00am in New Africa House #302

Oct. 15: MA General Exam, Drew Best, 10:00AM, Machmer W14

Oct. 22: Prospectus Presentation: Kasey Jernigan
11:30-1pm Herter 101
Title: The Obesity, Cultural Identity, and Food Distribution
Programs in the Choctaw Nations of Oklahoma

Oct. 30: PhD Comprehensive Exam, Kasey Jernigan
12pm-3pm, Machmer E31

Upcoming Events:
10/15: Social Science Matters:
Maple Razsa Lecture
10/21: Film: Alicia Calderon
10/22: 2nd Armelagos Lecture

SBS News:

Good News:
Professor Julie Hemment," has released a new book
Title: “Youth Politics in Putin’s Russia: Producing Patriots and
Entrepreneurs.

Alan Swedlund is a co-editor and author in a newly
published book from the University of Arizona Press:
"Beyond Germs: Native depopulation in North
America" (2015). In the book
ten authors from
archaeology, bio-
archaeology, medical history
and social history explore the
deeper impacts of
colonialism at the time of
contact. They argue that the
introduction of Old World
germs is only a partial and
highly insufficient explanation
for population declines when
compared to the "...active
role of Europeans in inciting
war, destroying livelihoods,
and erasing the identities..."
of Native Americans.
October Events:

10/12: HOLIDAY
10/13: Faculty Caucus Meeting, Machmer E16
      (Monday Schedule)
10/14: Curriculum Committee Meeting, Mach E16
10/15: Dr. Maple Rasza: “the Maribar Uprisings”, 4:30pm
10/16: Subfield Caucus Meetings
10/21: Film: Portraits of a Search,
       Bernie Dallas Room Goodell, 4pm
10/22: Annual Armelagos Lecture: Prof. Tiffany Tung; Vanderbilt,
       4pm CHC Events Hall
10/28: Curriculum Committee Meeting, Machmer E16
      Graduate Studies Committee, Machmer E31

MegaMemo Editorial Policy

The MegaMemo is the OFFICIAL GAZETTEER of the department
and meant to provide a regular and streamlined means of
communication about Department activities and procedures. All
departmental business should be announced and reported on in
the MegaMemo, including all policy pronouncements of the
Chair, the GPD, the Graduate Admissions Director and the
Director of the Undergraduate Programs; all agendas of meetings
of the Department, the Executive and Personnel Committees, the
Grad, Undergrad and Faculty Caucuses, and of any other
collectivities (such as the European Program); all notices of
graduate evaluations/exams/prospectuses/defenses; all
departmental policies, regulations and procedures (new, re-
stated or revised). While we will make an effort to also post
announcements of lectures and other events, everyone is
encourage to consult the Department Web Page for the most
current listings

Academic Information - Undergrads and Grads

Undergraduate Advising:
Milena Marchesi in Machmer 207A Chief Undergraduate Advisor
We have on-line Appointment Plus Scheduling for Advising
make an Advising Appointment Click Here

Spring 2016 courses should be available to view soon

Undergrad Archaeology Internship: More Info
UNDERGRADUATE SBS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
Applications and more information can be found here: http://www.umass.edu/sbs/current-students/undergraduate/sbs-scholarships

Upcoming Career Events going in SBS: (general calendar) http://www.umass.edu/sbs/news-events/calendar

Students in the News:
Anthropology Student Fights for Social Justice
Frida Caro ’16 (Anthropology)

Anthropology Student Makes Internship Dream a Reality
Bianca Renzoni ’17

Graduate Student Announcements/Application Info and Deadlines: (Includes, TA Applications, RAP-CPE Apps, Travel Grants, etc.)

Call for DCPE Applications Spring 2016:
Call for applications for instructors to teach courses in Spring 2016 with the Division of Continuing and Professional Education (all are on-line). Due: Wednesday October 14 (12:00 PM) Applicants should submit the following materials personally to Shelley Silva (in Machmer 215) on or before the due date:

1. A cover letter.
3. An application form (available on the Department website, or from Shelley).
4. A completed teaching inventory form (also available on the Department website).
5. A course syllabus for each course proposed**

Currently enrolled graduate students have priority to teach these courses. Please read the extensive discussion of the application and evaluation procedures in the Graduate Handbook (on our website or available in the main office). CPE classes are reimbursed based on enrollment.

** You may use a syllabus you have previously developed or may request a syllabus from a faculty who has taught the course (on file with Shelley) and use one of these with appropriate modification. However, in the case you propose an entirely new syllabus, it must be submitted for review at least 1 month prior to the course start date (for Spring this will be December 1, 2015). During the selection process we will look at syllabi for structure and content and how well they meet the intention of the course and ask for revisions where necessary.
Continuing and Professional Education (CPE) Classes for Spring 2016:

Anth 102  Archeology and Prehistory
Anth 103  Human Origins and Variation
Anth 104  Culture, Society and People
Anth 105  Language, Culture and Communication
Anth 270  North American Indians

All CPE courses are on-line

Workshops and Training:

* Graduate School Office of Professional Development Workshops:
The Center for Teaching and Faculty Development and the Graduate School are sponsoring a number of workshops to support graduate student teaching. Below you will find a list of offerings sent to graduate students, along with a link to register.

Complete List of Events

Grad School Office of Professional Development Events and Workshops:

ISSR Events:

OTHER Information:

****** LAB SECURITY:

Please remember, when using or teaching in any departmental labs, that the doors and windows MUST be locked when you leave. We’ve been told that E16 has been left open on numerous occasions, please double check all are closed and locked when you leave.

Also blinds in W12 and W17 should be left closed when room is unused. These rooms are all on the first floor with full window visibility and accessibility, so we need to be diligent in keeping them secure.

*Just a reminder that the Mega Memo is no longer weekly but a couple times a semester. Our goal is to get you to go to the Anthro website for information, this will primarily be for Good News and Grad Exam and Presentations. Thanks! Shelley and Jackie