

FIELD NOTES

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DEPARTMENT NEWS

Advising for Spring Semester 2005 is coming! Advising for Anthropology students will begin October 27 and run through November 16. Think about what you would like to take, and keep your eyes open for info on new and exciting classes. Just to whet your appetites, there are some really cool offerings coming up, such as a Historical Archaeology Lab Class, Forensic Anthropology, Globalization, Latin American Cultures, African Cultures, and Medical Anthropology, among others.

New Faculty

Your Department of Anthropology is very excited to welcome two new faculty members to Hamilton College. Dr. Jennifer Reynolds is a linguistic anthropologist who completed her Ph.D. at UCLA. She works in Latin America, and has a particular interest in issues relating to children. Dr. Kimberly Simmons is spending her time working with the Anthropology Department and also the African American Studies Program. She completed her Ph.D. at Michigan State University, and works in the Caribbean, Latin America and the United States on issues of identity in the African Diaspora. Please take a moment to stop in and welcome each of them to the department.

Anthropology Student Association News

The ASA is planning on several fun and interesting events for this semester. Please keep your eyes open for flyers in Hamilton College and on the ASA bulletin board across the hall from room 318. They are meeting on Monday evenings at 7 pm.

Colloquium Series

Upcoming Anthropology Department Colloquia. All are in Hamilton 318 at 3:30, unless otherwise noted. Make your plans to attend these talks.

- Thursday 10/7 “Tuberculosis in Ancient West Mexico: Species-specific Epidemiological Considerations” Dr. L. Cahue, Department. of Anthropology, USC-Columbia.
- Thursday 10/28 “Globalization in the Nuevo South: the Latinization of the Southeastern United States .” Dr. Raymond Mohl, Dept. of History, University of Alabama-Birmingham. Lecture presented by the Consortium for Latino Immigration Studies, the LASP and the Department of History.
- Friday 11/5 Title: TBA. Dr. Javier Urcid, Department of Anthropology, Brandeis University
- Thursday 12/2 “From Ozone to War Zone: Conceptualizing the Boundaries of Warfare and Peace.” Dr. Janice Harper, Department of Anthropology, University of Tennessee.

WASCL

If you are at all interested in Archaeology, please come to the Wednesday Archaeology at South Carolina Lunch (WASCL) Talks. These brown bag talks are held every other Wednesday at 12:05 in Hamilton 302 throughout the semester and provide a great opportunity to meet archaeologists, learn about their research, and maybe make connections that turn into jobs. Look for the flyers in the department, and remember this schedule:

October 13 "Interpreting Charlesfort / Santa Elena Archaeology." Dr. Chester DePratter (SCIAA)

October 27 Title to be announced. Dr. Edward Carr (Dept. of Geography)

November 10 "Genealogies for Typologies: Method and Theory in Ceramic Classification." Sarah Kautz (Dept. of Anthropology) and a presentation title to be announced by Joseph Samolis (Dept. of Anthropology)

ETHNOGRAPHIC FILMS

All films will be shown in Hamilton 318 from 3-5 pm.

October 8: Balinese Trance Séance and Jero on Jero

October 22: To Live with Herds

October 29: Doon School Chronicles

November 5: Karba's First Year and Childhood Rivalry

November 12: Margaret Mead's New Guinea Chronicle

November 19: Indonesian Funerals

CAREER CORNER - AROUND CAMPUS

To access archived Career Corners, see
<http://www.sc.edu/career/lacdp/corner.html>

Internships

If you are interested in learning about internship opportunities for students interested in anthropological issues, go to:

http://www.practicinganthropology.org/training/?section=mentor_internships

Click on "Internship Program Development" off to the left.

Want to travel? Think about Study Abroad

Study Abroad Info Sessions
Mondays and Thursdays
4:00 pm
BA 634

If students can't attend at those times, they should call the office at 777-7557 or drop by the study abroad area inside the Career Center, BA 6th floor.

MONEY OPPORTUNITIES:

Check out the Website: www.sc.edu/ofsp for national fellowship competitions, deadlines, application advice, and the latest news for Carolina and McNair Scholars!

A DAY IN THE LIFE

A regular column letting you know what anthropology students are doing:

A Day in the Life of: Sylvie Lomer, a Senior Anthropology student who has returned from a year of study abroad in Paris.

I decided to go to Paris. Officially, it was because this program was the only one that would allow me to take courses in two disciplines and in real French universities. Unofficially, it sounded cool and it was in Paris. So I got the added bonus of learning from a completely different perspective with a different focus. In between studying anthropology and psychology and French, learning all the vocabulary and specific jargon that goes along with any university student, I managed to have a fantastic time in Paris. And because I think everyone should go to the City of Light at least once in a lifetime, here is a brief excerpt.

You can describe a day in the life of a student in Paris entirely centered around the metro. You get on it early in the morning, when the first two trains that go by are stuffed to the gills with stressed out office workers, until you get stressed out too because you're running late and follow the example of the aggressive passengers who carve themselves out a space by sheer elbow-work. It gets better as the day progresses – sparser crowds, more tourists and maybe in the evening you can avoid rush hour by sitting in a café somewhere. That's the other center of the day: coffee. In between classes, there's the coffee machine in the hall where all the Parisian students go to smoke and plot revolution. There's the meeting in cafes to plan your group projects. There's the coffee at the counter because you only have ten minutes but stayed up dancing until 3:00 yesterday morning. Then there's the coffee for no other reason than that you have no work to do (until the end of the semester when everyone panics en masse) and you've just been to the Louvre for the second time this week and life is good. How can you make life better? With coffee. Sitting in the sun watching artists harass passers-by outside the Museum of Modern Art, sitting in the warm, smoky inside trying to avoid the draft of the door opening, sitting in the same place and looking at the same church as countless intellectuals of times gone by. And then – back to the metro and its infinite possibilities and only one certainty: The homeless guy will sit down next to you.