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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES

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## WGGP Co-sponsored Events


### **Fighting Extractivism as War: Mujeres Amazónicas' Forest Politics in Ecuador with Dr. Andrea Sempertegui**

Women Defenders in the Amazon Lecture Pt. 2


**Speaker:** Dr. Andrea Sempértégui, Assistant Professor of Politics at Whitman College

**About Lecture:** Dr. Andrea Sempértégui is an Assistant Professor of Politics at Whitman College, and a member of the anti-extractive collective Comunálisis based in Quito, Ecuador. Her research focuses on Indigenous politics, environmental and feminist movements, struggles over territory and natural resource extraction, and decolonial thought in Latin America

**Fighting Extractivism as War:  
Mujeres Amazónicas' Forest Politics  
in Ecuador**



**Dr. Andrea Sempértegui**  
Assistant Professor of  
Politics at Whitman  
College



**November 18, 2024, 3 pm CST | Coble Hall 306**

Assistant Professor of Politics at Whitman College, and member of the anti-extractive collective Comunalis based in Quito, Ecuador. Her research focuses on Indigenous politics, environmental and feminist movements, struggles over territory and natural resource extraction, and decolonial thought in Latin America.

**Part II of the series on Women Environmental Defenders and Climate Change in the Amazon**  
Organized by CLACS, NRES, WGGP, CGS, GWS and ACES



Co - Sponsors: CLACS, NRES, WGGP, CGS & ACE

**Join us on November 18 at 3pm at Coble Hall, room 306.**

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS ARCHIVES IS PROUD TO HOST**

**WOMEN IN SCIENCE LECTURE SERIES**

This series highlights the innovations and contributions from women in science here at the University of Illinois.

Lectures take place once a month in the University of Illinois Archives (Main Library Room 146) or over Zoom. Register below for Zoom links.

Find links to the recordings of past lectures below.



## Women in Science Lecture Series

The [University of Illinois Archives](https://www.library.illinois.edu/archives/) is hosting a monthly Women in Science Lecture Series that will feature speakers from across the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign's diverse and multidisciplinary scientific enterprise. The lecture series seeks to highlight the important

innovations and contributions of women in the sciences at the University of Illinois, and center the importance of documenting women scientists and engineers to create a diverse and inclusive archival record. This lecture series is now hybrid and will take place at the University Archives, [Main Library Room 146](https://www.library.illinois.edu/archives/), or over zoom once a month from noon to one pm CT. Please view our schedule and registration links below

Associate Professor of Psychology, Dr. Sadaghiani will discuss her research on large-scale neurocognitive networks, functional connectivity, and cognitive control.

Please register here and a Zoom link will be emailed to you.

**December 5th, from 12 - 1:00PM at the University Archives, [Main Library Room 146](https://www.library.illinois.edu/archives/) or via Zoom**

[Click here to RSVP](#)

## Campus Events



### LGBTQ+ STEM Day

#### Uniting Pride's History of the Pride Movement Workshop

To celebrate Pride in STEM Day, Women@NCSA invites you to a free virtual workshop on Monday, November 18, at 2 p.m. CST to learn about the modern Pride and Queer Liberation movement beginning at the Stonewall Riots through the present day.

This workshop is led by Joshua Gavel, interim director of operations at Uniting Pride, a non-profit organization that advocates for the equality, wellness, and visibility of the LGBTQ+ communities in Champaign County. This event is open to all affiliates of NCSA and the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Please feel free to share information about this event with colleagues, peers, family, and friends. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Monday, November 18th, 2 PM | Event Zoom Password: 132496**

[Click here for Event Zoom](#)

## Announcements

### Request for Proposals

**GLBL 296: Global Studies Foundation Seminar**

**Call for Proposals for AY 2024-5, due February 5, 2024**

The LAS Global Studies program requests proposals for **one-credit undergraduate seminars** that introduce a problem or challenge confronting societies today and engage students in *initial* research

and discussion on pathways to address the issue. The seminars should promote interdisciplinary thinking and a perspective that has global scope. Previous seminar topics have included: Transitional Justice in Post-Conflict Societies; The Politics of Belonging; Water, Human Rights, and Development; Environmental Justice; Ethics & Debate of Immigration Reform; and Peace Operations. **Please see link below for details.**

[GLBL 296 Request for Proposal](#)

### **GLBL 298: Global Studies Seminar Abroad**

#### **Call for Proposals for AY 2024-5, AY 2024-25, due February 5, 2024**

LAS Global Studies invites proposals to offer a GLBL 298: Global Studies Seminar Abroad (GSSA). These seminars abroad are special topics courses designed by faculty to enhance undergraduate students' understanding of a topic or problem of global import through an on-campus course that extends into a field experience abroad with an applied focus. The seminars should foster skills to identify and analyze issues from multiple disciplinary and cultural perspectives, promoting a global mindset and respect for diverse ways of living, thinking, and being through cross-cultural exchange. **Please see link below for details.**

[GLBL 298 Request for Proposal](#)

Submit proposals electronically to: Chandre Johnson, [chandrej@illinois.edu](mailto:chandrej@illinois.edu). Proposals are reviewed by the LAS Global Studies Faculty Advisory Committee

### **Focus Groups on Shared Ancestry Discrimination**

The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion is hosting focus groups for students and campus employees to gather feedback on experiences with discrimination, harassment, or retaliation based on shared ancestry. These sessions aim to inform future efforts to address discrimination related to national origin, ethnicity, or religious identity. Participants will share their experiences with discrimination based on perceived or actual shared ancestry, including ethnic and religious backgrounds such as Arab, Jewish, Muslim, Sikh, South Asian, and others. Location will be provided upon registration. **These focus groups are limited to current students and employees.** To sign up to attend, please complete the [Focus Group Registration Form](#).

#### **Focus Group Details:**

##### **Student Sessions**

- Monday, November 11 at 5pm

- Tuesday, November 12 at 5pm
- Wednesday, November 13 at 5pm

## Employee Sessions

- Tuesday, November 19th at 12pm
- Wednesday, November 20th at 12pm
- Wednesday, November 20th at 3pm

Space is limited, and registration is required. To sign up, participants must complete the Focus Group Registration Form. For additional questions, contact Ross Wantland at [diversity@illinois.edu](mailto:diversity@illinois.edu).

**Call for Applications**  
**SUMMER RESEARCH LABORATORY**  
*on Russia, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia*  
 June 9 - August 1, 2025 | University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

The SRL is an in-person program that offers comprehensive research support, access to library resources and competitive Research Awards to graduate and post-graduate scholars developing projects on all aspects of Russian, East European, and Eurasian studies.

**Any researcher may apply to be as SRL Associate, and receive the following forms of research support:**

- Reference assistance throughout the summer and beyond from the Slavic Reference Service (SRS);
- In-person access to digital and database collections of our University Library during onsite visit;
- Thematic and skill-building workshop events, as well as opportunities to present and discuss works in progress;
- Designation as a 2025 SRL Associate.

**Funding Opportunity: Title VIII Research Awards**

Housing on campus for up to 12 nights, \$800 travel support, and a research stipend of \$1250

*\*Restricted to applicants who are U.S. citizens and conducting policy-relevant research funded by the U.S. Department of State*

*All Title VIII funded research must be conducted in-person at the SRL.*

Application deadline for Title VIII Research Awards: **February 17, 2025**  
 Final deadline for all SRL applications, funded & unfunded: **March 17, 2025**

For more information and to apply, visit [go.illinois.edu/reec-SRL2025](https://go.illinois.edu/reec-SRL2025)

Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center  
 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

## 2025 Summer Research Laboratory on Russia, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia

The Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center and the Slavic Reference Service at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign are accepting applications for our 2025 Summer Research Laboratory (SRL) program. The SRL is an in-person program that will take place on our campus from June 9 - August 1, 2025.

It is open to advanced graduate students, independent scholars, and academic professionals in government and nongovernmental organizations.

**Priority Application Deadline for Title VIII Research Awards is February 17, 2025.**

**Final deadline for all SRL applications, funded and unfunded, is March 17, 2025.**

[SRL Application 2025](https://go.illinois.edu/reec-SRL2025)

[Click for more info about program](#)



# WGGP Fellowship Opportunities



## 2025-2026 Fellowships and Awards Application Now available

Offered by  
the Women and Gender in Global Perspectives Program  
(WGGP) for full-time new and continuing graduate students  
enrolled at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- RITA AND ARNOLD GOODMAN FELLOWSHIP, \$ 18,000
- BARBARA A. YATES GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP\*, \$ 18,000  
\*Must be GRID Students
- EVELYNE ACCAD AND PAUL VIEILLE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD, up to \$ 1,000 \*\*\*\*Must have research in North Africa or Middle East

Application and submission details at  
<https://go.illinois.edu/WGGPFellowships>

Deadline: **February 16, 2025, by 11:59 p.m**  
More information at <https://wggp.illinois.edu/>

Please direct questions to Anita Kaiser  
[arkaiser@illinois.edu](mailto:arkaiser@illinois.edu) or (217) 333-6221

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## Graduate Fellowships and Awards

WGGP holds an annual competition for graduate student awards with a deadline mid-February. We offer two full fellowships through the Rita and Arnold Goodman Fellowship and the Barbara A. Yates International Fellowship. We also have smaller research awards through the Accad & Vieille International Research and the Due & Ferber International Research award. Please note that you must be a graduate student in the Gender Relations in International Development (GRID) minor to apply for the Barbara A. Yates Fellowship and the Due and Ferber International Research Award. The Evelyn Accad and Paul Vieille International Award requires research to be on issues related to women in North Africa and the Middle East. A graduate student enrolled at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign may

apply for one or more of the awards on the application form by submitting the required materials.

Only one application form needed.

## 2025-2026 application process now open.

Online application available at <https://forms.illinois.edu/sec/1082136962>

Referee online submission by February 16, 2025 available at

<https://forms.illinois.edu/sec/1366180020>

Both the application and reference letter submission deadline is **Sunday, February 16, 2025**  
**11:59pm**

## The Illinois Global Institute (IGI) Language Fellowship

The Illinois Global Institute (IGI) Language Fellowship application is now open. This fellowship provides support for critical language training necessary to fields of academic and professional development for UIUC graduate students. The fellowship offers academic year support (AY 2025-2026) to graduate students



at the MA or PhD level. Successful applicants will receive a \$20,000 stipend and a waiver of tuition and some fees.

Please, click [here](#) to learn about the Illinois Global Institute (IGI) Language Fellowship

## Other Campus Fellowship Opportunities

**Information Session #1**  
**Wednesday, November 13**  
**3:00-4:00 P.M.**  
 213 Gregory Hall  
 No registration required

**Information Session #2**  
**Tuesday, November 19**  
**3:00-4:00 P.M.**  
 207 Psychology Building  
 No registration required

**Summer 2025 and Academic Year 2025-26 Fellowships**

<p><b>AWARDING CENTERS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Center for African Studies</li> <li>Center for Global Studies</li> <li>Center for Latin American &amp; Caribbean Studies</li> <li>Center for South Asian &amp; Middle Eastern Studies</li> <li>European Union Center</li> <li>Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center</li> </ul>	<p><b>SUMMER AMOUNTS</b>          Graduate and Undergraduate:          Up to \$5,000 for tuition/fees; \$3,500 stipend</p> <p><b>ACADEMIC YEAR AMOUNTS</b>          Graduate:          Up to \$18,000 for tuition/fees; \$20,000 stipend</p> <p>Undergraduate:          Up to \$10,000 for tuition/fees; \$5,000 stipend</p>
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**Application deadline: Friday, January 31, 2025**

Please visit our website for more information:  
<https://publish.illinois.edu/illinoisflas>

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES (FLAS) FELLOWSHIP: 2nd Info Session

FLAS fellowships support graduate and undergraduate study in modern foreign languages in combination with area studies, international studies, or international or area aspects of professional studies. These fellowships are administered by the University of Illinois Area Studies Centers and Programs and are awarded through an annual competition. Students from all departments and professional schools are encouraged to apply. Priority is given to the study of less commonly taught languages, and each Center has specific priorities.

The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) FLAS fellowships may be used for the study of Brazilian Portuguese, Quechua or any other Amerindian Language, or at the advanced level (third-year or above) Spanish. Priority is given to the study of less commonly taught languages. Applicants are ineligible for support to study a language of which they are a native speaker. CLACS awards Summer FLAS fellowships only to graduate students, and Academic Year FLAS fellowships to both graduate and undergraduate students.

**Join us to learn more about the application process and to get answers to any questions you may have!**

**November 19th, 3pm | 207 Psychology Bldg.**

## **HRI Faculty & Graduate Student Fellowship 2025-2026**

### **APPLICATION PORTAL OPEN**

HRI campus fellowships enable faculty and graduate students to develop research projects related to the yearly theme and to participate in the yearlong interdisciplinary Fellows Seminar and related programming. Faculty fellows receive a two-course release and \$3K in research funds. Graduate fellows receive a stipend and a tuition and partial fee waiver.

HRI welcomes applications from all disciplines and departments with an interest in humanities and humanities-inflected research. The institute is especially interested in fostering interdisciplinary work, both within the humanistic disciplines, and between the humanities and the arts.

**Deadline: 5:00 p.m. Central on Friday, December 6th**

**Link for more information:** <https://hri.illinois.edu/campus-fellowships/graduate-fellowship-awards-application-guidelines>

## **Spring 2025 Courses**

### **WGGP 581: Gender Relations & International Development**

Credit: 4 hours. Meets: 01/21/25-05/07/25. Restricted to Graduate. CRN: 64395

Interdisciplinary seminar examining theoretical and empirical research on gender and the transformation of social and economic structures. Students will develop a comparative perspective on issues of women and public policy by contrasting and comparing such policies in North and South America, Eastern and Western Europe, Asia, and Africa. Same as [GWS 512](#) and [SOCW 581](#).

[Click to view course in course catalog](#)



# WGGP Programs

## WGGP Gender Relations in International Development Graduate Minors

WGGP offers a graduate minor in Gender Relations in International Development (GRID). The GRID interdisciplinary minor is designed to give students the analytical and empirical skills needed to address and critically evaluate human development issues in research and policy analysis, as well as in daily life. As of 2023, GRID Alumni have come from 41 departments across campus and 52 different countries.

To learn more about the GRID minor, please contact Anita Kaiser at [arkaiser@illinois.edu](mailto:arkaiser@illinois.edu) or by phone at 333-6221.



Certificate in  
Global Health

## Undergraduate Certificate in Global Health

Joint with WGGP and LAS Global Studies

LAS Global Studies, in conjunction with Women and Gender in Global Perspectives (WGGP), is offering a Certificate in Global Health. **This certificate is open to all undergraduate majors at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.**

[Click for more information on Undergraduate Certificate](#)



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