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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES

# Weekly E-news

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## WGGP Events

### Graduate Workshop on "Effective Fellowship Writing"

Speaker: Dr. Dana Johnson, Director of External Fellowships at the Graduate College.

12:00-12:30pm: Lunch Provided for participants

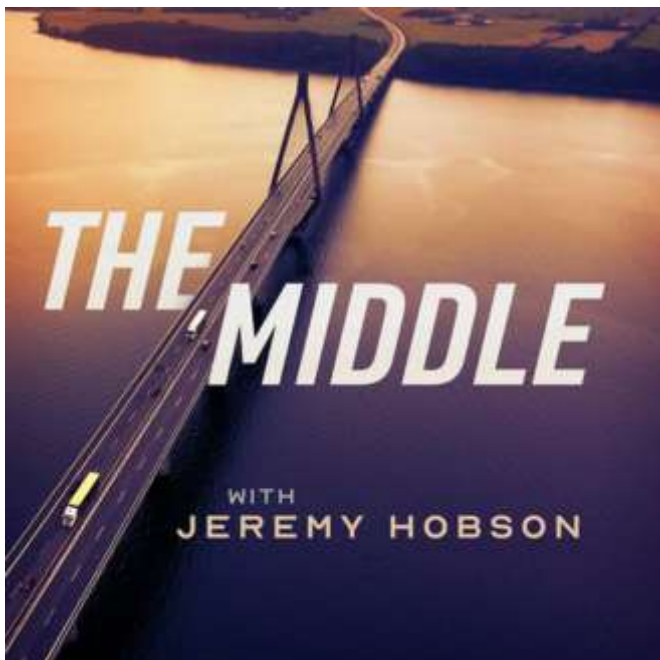
12:30-2:30pm: "Writing Effective Fellowship Proposals" will be led by Dr. Dana Johnson, Director of External Fellowships at the Graduate College.

**October 25, 12-2:30pm, 306 Coble Hall, 801 S Wright Street**

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## WGGP Co-sponsored Events



### Friday Forum + Conversation Café

This Friday October 18th

**Speaker:** Jeremy Hobson

**Program Information:** The Middle' podcast

Please join the University YMCA and [Diversity & Social Justice Education](#) for our Fall 2024 Friday Forum + Conversation Café series. We will hear from community leaders tackling our most pressing public concerns through an unwavering pursuit of social justice. We are excited to focus the fall series

on Democracy. Follow this [link](#) for more information!

Link to podcast: <https://www.listentothemiddle.com/>

Fridays at 12 PM in Latzer Hall at the University YMCA.

Click for full Forum Schedule

**Colombian Women Defenders of the Amazon Talk**  
 Organized by CLACS, NRES, WGGP, CCS & ACES

**October 14, 2024,**  
**4 - 5:30 pm CST**  
**Virtual Meeting with**  
**simultaneous translation**





**Magaly Belalcázar Ortega**  
 Woman, mother, farmer, human rights, territorial and environmental defender, ecofeminist, peacebuilder, and psychologist. Founder and facilitator of organizational processes, seed guardian, National Commissioner of Colombian Rural Women, and founder of the social and political platform for peace and advocacy for the women of Caquetá. Additionally, she is the director of Women Amazon and Peace. She supports processes for denouncing gender-based violence and accessing justice and has been a recipient of the Clauca National Human Rights Award.



**Betsy Ruiz**  
 Community leader in the municipality of La Montañita, agricultural and food processing technician, pharmaceutical services assistant technician, and member of the gender and diversity team in Agua Bonita 2, former Territorial Training and Reincorporation Space (ETCR) of Agua Bonita. Signatory of the 2016 peace agreement. She supported the creation and formalization of the Association of Women Producers of Essences of Peace and continues to lead the association. Manager of the Multiactive Cooperative for Well-Being and Peace of Caquetá.



**Ati Quigua**  
 Mother, Arhuaca Indigenous leader from the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, Gunaiké - BusinTana, Colombian pacifist and environmentalist, public administrator, Master's in Government and Public Policy, and elected councilor of Bogotá for three terms. She has served as Indigenous Commissioner for Peace in Colombia, and as a defender of human rights, the rights of nature, and good living at both the national and international levels.

Scan to join the meeting



## Women Environmental Defenders and Climate Change in the Amazon: Colombia Social Leaders

Join CLACS, NRES, WGGP, and ACES throughout the academic year for their 2024-2025 schedule of events: Women Environmental Defenders and Climate Change in the Amazon - Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru.

### About Panelists:

Ati Seygundiba Quigua (Lideresa indígena Iku (Arhuaca))

Sandra Gonzalez Sanabria (Betsy) (Ex-FARC social leader)

Magaly Del Carmen Belalcázar Ortega (Campesina social leader)

Date: Oct. 14 at 4pm CST on ZOOM

Click for Zoom link

## Women in Science Lecture Series

**About Speaker:** Professor and Head of Department of Cell and Developmental Biology, Dr. Prasanth will discuss her research on eukaryotic DNA replication, chromosome structure and maintenance, heterochromatin organization, and cell cycle control.



**About Series:** The University of Illinois 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.

**November 14th, 2024 12 - 1:00PM | University Archives, [Main Library Room 146](#) or via Zoom**

[Click for more info and RSVP](#)

## Campus Events

### Indigenous Peoples Day

#### What is Indigenous Peoples' Day?

Indigenous Peoples' Day is celebrated on the second Monday in October 2021. In 2021, President Joe Biden formally commemorated Indigenous Peoples' Day with a presidential proclamation, becoming the first U.S. president to do so. This day is meant to encourage reflection, recognition, and celebration of the ongoing contributions of Indigenous peoples. Additionally, it is a day to gain some understanding of the diversity of Indigenous peoples.

**Oct 14, 2024 9:00 am - 8:00 pm | Spurlock Museum of World Cultures**



**Harriet Murav, "As the Dust of the Earth: Abandonment in Law, War, and Poetry"**





**About Speaker:** Harriet Murav, a literary scholar, is the Catherine and Bruce Bastian professor of Global and Transnational Studies, with a joint appointment in the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures and Comparative and World Literature. Her research focuses on Russian and Yiddish literature

**About Lecture:** From 1918 to 1922 as many as 40,000 Jews were killed in the pogroms of the Russian Civil War. The mass violence in Ukraine was part of a global phenomenon of ethnic and racial violence, which also included the Armenian genocide, and anti-Black violence in the United States. This book examines the Yiddish and Russian literary response to the pogroms and the relief effort, exploring both the poetry of catastrophe and the documentation of catastrophe and care.

**Oct 14, 2024 5:00 pm | 210 Levis Faculty Center (919 W. Illinois St., Urbana, IL 61801)**

## Announcements



### Fall 2024 Ecojustice Series

The Fall 2024 Ecojustice series has begun! This series of events hosted in collaboration with Illinois cultural houses & resource centers is funded by the Student Sustainability Committee. This series will feature a variety of opportunities for students to explore environmental justice issues and their connections to social justice. Lectures, interviews, film screenings, a field trip, and more will provide students with unique opportunities to further explore theory, praxis, and activism in diverse communities.

[Click for Fall 2024 Schedule](#)

### October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

**Wear Purple - October 17 is #PurpleThursday in recognition of survivors! Wear purple, hang purple lights, and make sure to tell others why purple is so important on this day! Share a picture on social media and tag @wrcillinois.**

The Women's Resources Center offers educational and skill-building workshops for students, faculty and staff. Featured workshops include:

- Relationship Violence in College - What to Look For and How to Help
- Introduction to Healthy Relationships
- Supporting Survivors through STRIVE
- Navigating Boundaries

Learn more and submit a request at [wrc.illinois.edu/programs/workshops](https://wrc.illinois.edu/programs/workshops)

[Click for Domestic Violence Awareness Month Calendar](#)

## **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 6, 2024**

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

## **Truman Scholarship**

### **Eligibility**

This award provides a year of funding for students pursuing graduate degrees in public service fields. College juniors who are U.S. citizens with a record of community service and a commitment to a career in public service are eligible. Public service includes government, uniformed services, public interest organizations, non-governmental research or educational organizations, public and private schools, and other public service-oriented, non-profit organizations.

## Campus Deadline

[November 4, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. \(noon\)](#)

[Click for more info](#)

## Social Media



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## 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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