

Anthropology News

Bi-Weekly Newsletter

Undergraduate Studies



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Anthropology of the Gullah/Gecchee with Dr. Krystal Smalls

Academic Deadlines

Check important drop semester course [deadlines](#).

October 14

- Deadline for UG to drop semester course via Student Self-Service without grade of W. Students may contact their college office to request an exception by petition to the drop deadline in the case of extraordinary circumstances.

November 11

- Deadline for UG to drop POT B course via Student Self-Service without grade of W. Students may contact their college office to request an exception by petition to the drop deadline in the case of extraordinary circumstances.

Schedule [an appointment](#) with your advisor for help

Check out [Advising Checklist](#) and [Spring 2023 Course Guide](#) here.

Hello Anthropologists!

We are already in the middle of the semester! How are your projects and midterms going?

This week's newsletter brings you the newest information about campus opportunities, events, and grad school recruitment! Check it out!

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Virtual Coffee Hour



with Genie Melamed, International Admissions Advisor at Illinois Institute of Technology and Former Staff Assistant in the Office of U.S. Senator Tammy Duckworth

Friday, October 21 at 10 A.M. CDT
Registration [link](#)

Are you curious about what's it like to work on the administrative side of higher education and/or government? If so, join the European Union Center on Friday, Oct. 21 at 10 AM CDT for a virtual coffee hour with University of Illinois alum Genie Melamed, International Admissions Advisor at Illinois Institute of Technology and former Staff Assistant in the Office of U.S. Senator Tammy Duckworth. Genie will discuss her career

trajectory and share her experience transitioning from government work to higher education.

About the series: These virtual coffee hours are intended to be an opportunity for students to meet and chat informally and network with working professionals from different fields. The virtual coffee hour will begin with a 15-minute presentation by the speaker, followed by 45 minutes of informal discussion and questions from students. Students are strongly encouraged to come with questions prepared.

About the speaker: Genie Melamed graduated with a Bachelors degree in Political Science and Geography in 2018 and a Masters degree in European Union Studies in 2019. While at U of I she had the opportunity to travel to Belgium as part of a joint class with KU Leuven University and Germany as part of study abroad. After graduating she worked in the Office of Senator Tammy Duckworth in both Springfield and Chicago. She currently works as an International Admissions Advisor at Illinois Institute of Technology. Genie is originally from and currently lives in Chicago.

Legal Studies Minor Informational

The Pre-Law Advising Services Office will be hosting an Information Session regarding the Legal Studies Minor with Professor Jennifer Pahre on Tuesday, October 18 at 2:00 pm via Zoom. The brief session will include an overview of the Legal Studies Minor and provide an opportunity for Q&A. Additional information and details are available on the [PLAS Events Calendar](#).

Speaking Center at the University Library

The University Library is excited to announce the opening of the Speaking Center this fall!

Beginning October 18th, students will be able to receive free and personalized public speaking assistance for any presentation and at any stage in the preparation process. The Speaking Center works with students to improve their delivery skills, visual aids, presentation content, and organization, all with an eye toward building long-term speaking skills.

Students can work one-on-one with a trained Speaking Consultant to improve presentations and speeches, attend workshops focused on building lasting speaking skills, or participate in language sessions to build foreign language skills. Students can sign up by visiting our website.

Undergraduate students may register for any available appointment. Receive more information about the Speaking Center [here](#).

The Institute™ by LeaderShape®

The Institute™ by LeaderShape® is a nationally recognized four-day, three-night leadership retreat held for Illinois undergraduate students that will take place January 10-13, 2023, at the Allerton Park & Retreat Center in Monticello, IL. The online application opened on Monday, September 26 and closes Monday, October 24.

This retreat provides participants the opportunity for self-discovery, self-reflection, and feedback in a community of approximately 60 peers. Not a typical leadership retreat, the Institute is grounded in helping individuals identify the values they hold that lead to making a difference in the communities around them. Through self-assessment, intensive small group discussions, team building challenges, and more, participants will develop a vision for something they care about. By leading with passion, integrity, and a healthy disregard for the impossible, participants explore who they are and the impact that they want to have on communities working towards a more caring, just, and equitable society.

Learn more [here](#).

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