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Federal Government Career Fair

In partnership with the Volcker Alliance, the federal government is hosting a national job fair for undergraduate and graduate students on January 27, 2022 from Noon – 4 pm CDT. This job fair will connect students with over 60 federal agencies, including federal security agencies. Students will have the opportunity to register to speak directly with recruitment officials from each agency and thus must commit to attend sessions for which they register.

[Brazen Registration for students](#)
[Handshake Link](#)



Hello Anthropologists,

We are so excited to welcome you back and wish you happy Spring 2022! May it be productive, creative, full of learning and growth opportunities!

“Volunteers Needed” to represent our department in the Spring 2022 Majors and Minors Fair, held on Wednesday, February 23 from 1:30 PM to 3:30 pm in the Union - Illini-Rooms A, B, and C.

For more information contact [Maritza Quiñones](#)

LEAD Scholars Program Application for Spring 2022

The LEAD (Learning Environments in Anthropology Disciplines) Scholars program is for all Anthropology students (majors and minors). This application is to join the continuation of the Fall 2021 LEAD program for Spring 2022. If you participated in the Fall and are interested in continuing this spring, you do not need to reapply.

The LEAD program is centered on two complementary components: LEAD Student Mentoring Groups and LEAD Critical Skills Clinics and Informational Sessions.

The LEAD mentoring program will facilitate social interactions with peers

with the goal of learning from each other, promote a sense of belonging and engagement, provide additional opportunities to bolster skill-building, and increase institutional knowledge including campus resources available to assist students. LEAD Scholars will meet as a group every two weeks for an hour beginning the week of February 7th. Sessions will be with peer mentoring groups, anthropology faculty and graduate students, and campus professionals, with food provided.

Applications are due Friday, January 28, 2022. You can apply [here](#).

Questions about applying can be sent to Ripan S. Malhi.

The Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) 2022-2023 Fellowship

The CASA Fellowship offers advanced level training in Arabic language and culture to qualified American students at The American University in Cairo and Qasid Arabic Institute in Amman (pending the security and funding for each location). Applicants to the CASA programs must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and should have a minimum of 3 years of formal instruction in Arabic prior to joining CASA.

The application requires that all applicants take the ACTFL exam for Reading, Listening and Oral proficiency.

Deadlines / Exam Dates:

Application deadline is January 20, 2022

Reading & Listening Exams may be taken from December 1, 2021 – February 9, 2022

OPI Exams will be taken in January/February with a deadline of February 9, 2022

Please note, all exams will use a remote proctor. See [their website](#) for further program details and application instructions

NASA DEVELOP National Program

10-week paid research opportunities with the NASA DEVELOP National Program, open to current students and recent college graduates as well as transitioning/early career professionals.

NASA DEVELOP projects focus on helping local, national, and international communities address their environmental concerns while utilizing NASA's Earth observing fleet of satellites. NASA DEVELOP operates at eleven locations across the country at NASA Centers and other regional locations. This is a great opportunity for participants who are interested in practical applications of remote sensing and GIS, specifically in the field of Earth Science. Participants will work with NASA scientists, partner organizations, and science advisors to learn about the use of NASA Earth science data for use in water resources, disaster management, ecological forecasting, and other applications to address environmental community concerns.

Responsibilities will include: literature review, data processing and analysis, and producing deliverables, such as a technical report, presentation, and video. Previous GIS or remote sensing knowledge, while beneficial, is not required for acceptance. This is a multi-disciplinary opportunity for all those interested in Earth science and we encourage those in the social sciences, general science, engineering, computer science, etc. to apply.

Applicants must have excellent verbal and written communication skills and be able to work in a fast-paced, highly collaborative environment. Days of the week are flexible, but applicants should be able to commit to 20 - 29 hours per week during the term. The position is paid on an hourly basis that is determined by education level.

Details about this opportunity and how to apply can be found online [here](#). The spring position application window will be open online from January 17th through February 25th, with the term starting June 6th and lasting through August 12th.

DANTA Field Courses in Tropical Biology

Danta 2021/2022 field courses in tropical biology are available! The courses are intended for undergraduates or early graduate level students who have a keen interest in tropical ecosystems and conservation, but have little or no experience of working in a tropical environment. Participants may enroll on either a credit or non-credit basis.

For more information, please visit the [website](#) and/or email conservation@danta.email. For an alumni perspective, please see blog [DANTAisms](#).

Methods in Primate Behavior and Conservation

Dates: July 3-18, 2022

Program Fee: \$2600

Application deadline: December 1, 2021 and May 15, 2022

Course Description: DANTA Tropical Biology and Conservation Field Courses 2021/2022

Wildlife Conservation and Sustainability

Dates: June 13 - 28, 2022

Program fee: \$2600

Application deadline: December 1, 2021 and May 15, 2022

Course Description: DANTA Tropical Biology and Conservation Field Courses 2021/2022

Field Excursion

All courses include a visit to a wildlife rehabilitation center, sustainable chocolate plantation and dolphin and snorkeling trip of the Golfo Dulce. Also, an overnight stay on the Boruca Indigenous Reserve where they will learn about the community and their traditional lifeways, and help with needed projects. Every effort is made to implement eco-friendly and socially responsible practices into our day-to-day operations, field courses and overall mission.

Korean Language Placement Test

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The next Korean placement/proficiency test on Friday, January 14, 2022.

1. Plan to take a Korean language class in SP22 for LOTE requirement and they have a prior knowledge of Korean
- OR
2. Intend to have their LOTE requirement waived by demonstrating their proficiency level equal to that required by the college

As with the FA21 test, the Spring 2022 Korean proficiency/placement test will be administered in person on campus and will not be administered online. Face-covering will be required to enter the testing room. Students will be required to write in Korean for some parts of the test so will need to bring a pen to the testing.

The deadline to register for this test is midnight US Central Time on Friday December 31, 2021. Students must register with their **illinois.edu** email account, which has their Net ID. Those registered with other email accounts won't be able to access the Korean placement test.

- Date and Time: 9:30 am to 12 pm (CST) on Friday, January 14 2022
- Location: G 27, Foreign Language Building
- Registration by 12/31/21: Click [HERE](#).

Udall Scholarship

The University of Illinois seeks to nominate sophomores and juniors for the prestigious [Udall Scholarship](#). The Udall awards \$7,000 to sophomores or juniors who are taking action to address environmental concerns and are committed to a career related to the environment.

Please note that there are special awards also for Native American students interested in Tribal policy or health care (no need to be related to the environment).

Students must be US citizens, US nationals, or US permanent residents. A successful applicant will have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and demonstrate leadership and a commitment to service. The campus deadline is January 31, 2022 to be considered.

Mortuary Archaeology Field School

Students wishing to gain hands-on experience in excavating and studying human skeletal remains are encouraged to participate in the 23rd Field School in Mortuary Archaeology which will be held in Poland during the summer of 2022. Organizers have developed and will hold COVID-19 safety protocols.

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You can get more info about this project by visiting their [webpage](#), finding them on [Facebook](#) or by email at fieldwork@slavia.org.

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