Graduate College Update: February 26th – March 2nd, 2018

Center for Family and Demographic Research Speaker Series
The Tradeoff Paradox: Examining the Relationship between Racialized Poverty Segregation and Industrial Facilities in the U.S. Over Time
Kerry Ard, School of Environment & Natural Resources, Ohio State University
Wednesday, February 28th, 12:30-1:30 pm
Bowen-Thompson Student Union, Room 207

Biological Sciences Weekly Seminars
Perception and Motion in Locust Swarms
Jake Graving, University of Konstans
Wednesday, February 28th, 3:30-4:30pm
112 Life Science Building

Women’s Center Research Network
Heritage Scrapbooks: The Ella P. Stewart Collections at the Center for Archival Collections
Megan Goins-Diouf, Reference Archivist, Center for Archival Collections
Wednesday, February 28th | 12-1 pm
The Women’s Center, 107 Hanna Hall

Dissertation Defense
The Psychological Refractory Period in Parkinson Disease (Pd): Effects of Response Modality and Cognitive Complexity
Angela Reif – College of Health and Human Services
Monday, February 26th | 10:00am – 1:00pm
HHS 217

Graduate Student Senate
Applications are open for the following Graduate Student Senate funding, research, and award opportunities. Please Apply!
Shanklin Awards (Due March 3):
https://orgsync.com/9942/forms/295398
Graduate Student Senate Executive Committee Applications (Due March 19):
https://orgsync.com/9942/forms/298112

Graduating this spring? Thesis/Dissertation/Project Deadlines
Friday, March 30 - Completed Thesis/Dissertation Defense and Manuscript Form including all signatures is due in the Graduate College by 5:00 p.m.
April 2 and 3 – Spring Graduation Fair (207 BTSU)
Friday, April 6 - Upload of approved, final copy of master’s thesis/doctoral dissertation
Friday, May 4 – Commencement ceremony (7pm)
Graduate College Nerdy Socials – 12-1pm McFall 120
Friday, February 23 – W.E.B. Du Bois’s and Steve Jobs’s birthdays
Wednesday, March 14 – Pi Day
Monday, April 23 – Shakespeare’s birthday/death day & Don Quixote’s birthday

Spring Semester Graduate Coordinator Workshops
Thursday March 22nd, 2:30 - 4
Workshop for Doctoral program coordinators and their chairs/directors
Thursday April 12th, TBA

Recent Graduate Students’ Professional Accomplishments
Statistics
John Haman, a PhD student, accepted a Research Staff Member position at the Institute for Defense Analyses in Alexandria, Virginia and will be starting after he graduates this spring.

Public Health

School of Media & Communication
Dr. Julia Largent, who earned her Ph.D. in 2017 and is a tenure-track Assistant Professor at McPherson College in Kansas, has won the Broadcast Education Association Kenneth Harwood Outstanding Dissertation Award. She will be honored at the annual conference of Broadcast Education Association at their awards ceremony, Sunday April 8.
"Documentary Dialogues: Establishing a Conceptual Framework for Analyzing Documentary Fandom-Filmmaker Social Media interaction"
Drs. Thomas A. Mascaro (chair), Louisa Ha, Lara Lengel, and Kristin Rudisill (grad rep)

Sociology
Two, soon-to-be-graduating PhD students, will begin tenure track jobs in the fall:
Anna Hammersmith will be:
Assistant Professor of Sociology
Department of Sociology
Grand Valley State University
Allendale, MI

Barbara Prince will be:
Assistant Professor of Sociology
Department of Economics, Political Science, and Sociology
Morningside College
Sioux City, IA

Biological Sciences
Gabrielle Metzner, MS student, landed a job with an environmental consulting company, Kieser & Associates, in Michigan.
Justin Burdine, PhD student, published a paper with an undergraduate he mentored: Urbanization alters communities of flying arthropods in parks and gardens of a medium-sized city, https://peerj.com/articles/3620/

Psychology
Kirstin J. Lauritsen, Harold Rosenberg & Jon E. Sprague (2018). University students’ attributions for abstinence from synthetic cannabinoids and synthetic cathinone’s, The American Journal of Drug and Alcohol Abuse, 44:1, 64-72, DOI: 10.1080/00952990.2017.1289214

English
Curtis Kachur, BA in English & MA in Literacy and Textual Studies, has just been hired as an Academic Success Specialist at Lourdes College.