Beware the Ides of March

RAP SPONSORED EVENTS:

All RAP Students and Alumni – Please make sure to fill out your NSF survey report.

*The All RAP Seminar series will take place from 3:30 -5:00 pm in room 401 IARC unless indicated otherwise. Each All RAP seminar will include a talk, questions and answers and pizza.

* March 24 – Jim Powell will speak on “The role of community sustainability indicators and how they are used to inform decision making”.

*March 26 – 1 pm – IARC 417 - Jill Maynard will defend her thesis “Surveys and case studies capturing local perspectives on : Social, political and environmental factors influencing wind energy development. What enables a community to develop their wind resources.

*April 6 – 12-1:30 - Brown Bag lunch with Oran Young presented by the Political Science department

April 7 - 12 – 1:30 – Brooks Gathering Room - Pot luck lunch with William Kennedy. Please volunteer to provide some lunch food. College of Community and Rural Development students will be sharing this task. Please email Ellen at Ellen.weiser@alaska.edu and let us know what you will bring.

*April 9 – noon to 5 pm – Sustainability Workshop sponsored by RAP – We are looking for 10 students who are interested in giving speed talks (4 minutes poster talks) during this time. Larry Merculieff will give the keynote address.

SEMINARS AND LECTURES:

*The Political Science department is interviewing candidates in the next two weeks for an open position in our department, focusing on political theory. Here are the candidates and their job talks, graduate students are welcome.

Monday, March 15, 3:45-5pm, Gruening 408 - Daniel Skinner - "Political theory beyond the reason/rhetoric divide"
CONFERENCES:

*Call for Papers for the Annual Meeting of the Society for Values in Higher Education – July 21-25 – Portland State University* Inquiries can be directed to Amy Berger, Associate Professor of Geology, Heidelberg College (aberger@heidelberg.edu) or to Eric Bain-Selbo, Department Head, Philosophy and Religion, Western Kentucky University (eric.bain-selbo@wku.edu). Proposals should be sent as e-mail attachments to eric.bain-selbo@wku.edu. Proposals should not exceed 1000 words in length. Proposals are due by April 1, 2010. Early submissions are encouraged. In keeping with the mission of the SVHE, interdisciplinary and/or practice-oriented proposals are especially encouraged.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

*EPSCoR Travel Funding Grant of up to $1000.00 – Deadline April 2 -* Priority goes to junior faculty and graduate students. We will fund three purposes:

1) Research presentations at conferences and workshops;
2) Research presentations to communities within Alaska (knowledge exchange); and
3) Integrative science collaboration with other researchers working in Alaska.

Travel funding is available until funds are exhausted, and all travel must be completed by June 30, 2010.

Travel funded for areas of research supported by Alaska EPSCoR. The project, Resilience and Vulnerability in a Rapidly Changing North: The Integration of Physical, Biological and Social Processes, is described on our website, [www.alaska.edu/epscor](http://www.alaska.edu/epscor). Applications which clearly show interdisciplinary work around the theme of resilience and vulnerability will be given priority.

To apply, send us the following information **combined into ONE MS WORD DOCUMENT by Friday, April 2, 2010.** Allow at least three weeks after the deadline for your travel.

1) Your name and complete contact information, including Banner ID number;
2) The science component you are working in: biology, physical or social science;
3) For conference travel: conference agenda and URL, destination, dates, and title of your presentation;
4) For knowledge exchange: destination, dates, and a one-page description of the activity;
5) For integrative science collaboration: destination, dates, and a one-page description of the activity;
6) A **one-page statement describing how your travel will increase research capacity in Alaska, including relevance of your research to the Alaska EPSCoR project and the envisioned results of your travel such as collaborations with people or organizations, grant proposals, and/or publications.**
7) A simple budget, including an estimate of costs and a note on availability of other funds (applicants are strongly encouraged to have additional sources of funding).

Awardees will be expected to submit a short report after their travel.

Send your application both to epscor.approvals@uaf.edu and fyepscor@uaf.edu. Feel free also to contact Deb Chapman at 474-6264.

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Please contact Cindy Fabbri at cfabbri@alaska.edu if you are interested in being a public school science fair judge on March 25 from 8:30 to 3 pm. Various time slots are available.