April Kudos

Congratulations on your promotions!

Promoted to Full Professor

- Joseph Chaney- English
- Thomas Clark- Biology
- Steven Gerencser- Poli. Sci.
- Kevin Ladd- Psychology
- Micheline Nilsen- Art History
- Elaine Roth- English
- Rolf Schimmrigk- Physics and Astronomy

Congratulations on your promotions and tenure!

Associate Professor

- David Blouin- Sociology and Anthropology
- Anne Magnan-Park- English
- Grace Muna- Chemistry
- James Smith- Political Science
- Joshua Wells- Anthropology & Social Informatics
- Tim Willig- History

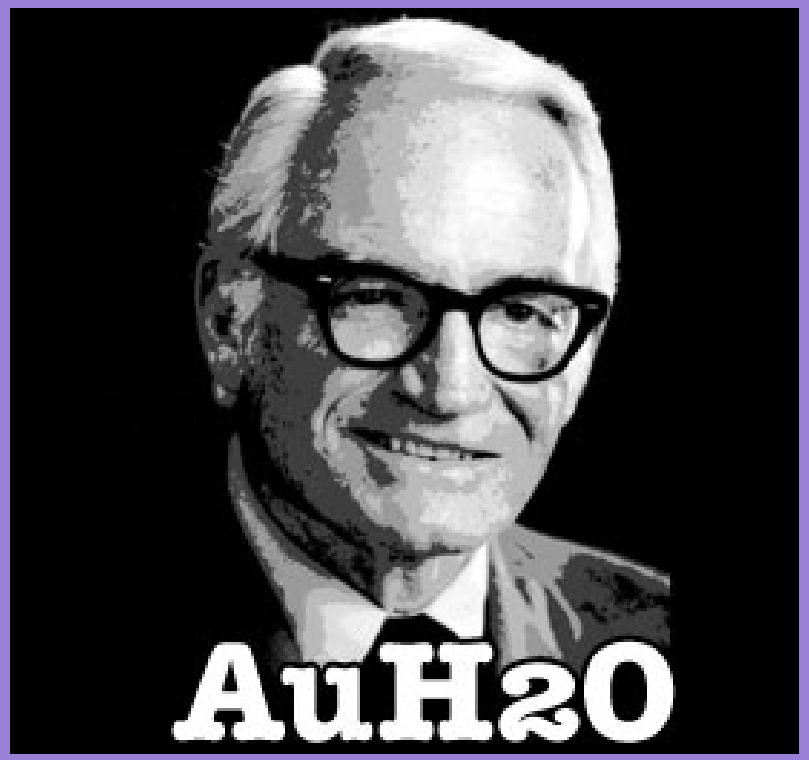
Senior Lecturer

- Shawn Nichols-Boyle- English

Six international programs interns presented IUSB Study Abroad to a South Bend Rotary audience

Five International Programs interns also presented about Study Abroad programs to the Chancellor's Advisory Board on April 23rd

Chemistry



- **Chris Warkentin** won an Honorable Mention for the prestigious Goldwater Scholarship. He was recognized for his work in **Grace Muna's** research lab on using nanoparticles as efficient electrocatalysts.

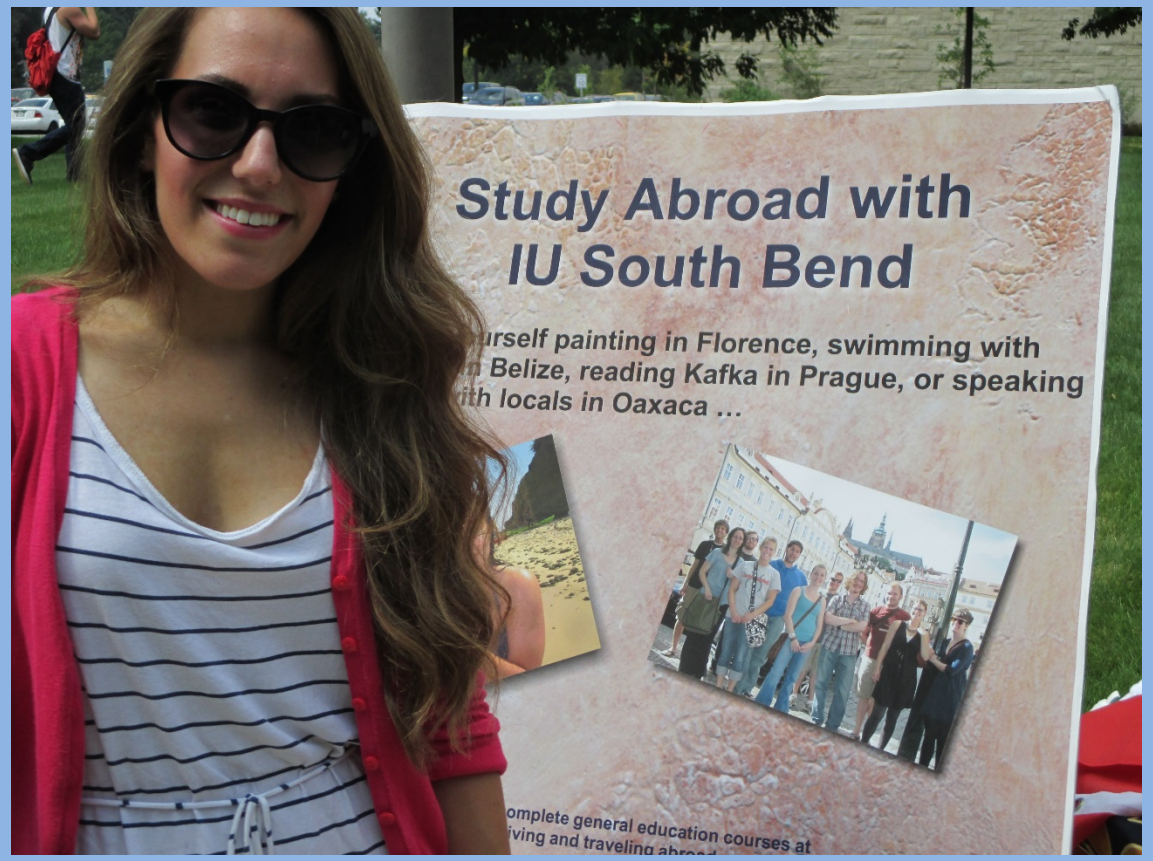
Biochemist Bound for Graduate School

Angela Patterson
BS Biochemistry
Montana State University
PhD studies in biochemistry

World Languages

- French Majors **Justin Bryant** **Jenny Van Anterp** have been accepted to teach with the TAPIF program in France, and Justin has been assigned to teach in Paris. This is a highly selective program and a great honor. Congratulations Jenny and Justin!

World Languages



- **Maddie Kindig** (German Major) was accepted to the MA program in Germanic Languages and Literatures at Ohio State University
- **Ethan Horvath** (German and Political Science Major) was accepted to the MPA program at IU-Bloomington.

World Languages, cont'd.

- **Jeff Luppes** presented his paper "Different Narratives Different narratives of Ethnic German Suffering? Commemorating Flight and Expulsion with Local Monuments in Austria" at the annual conference of the Austrian Studies Association in Dearborn, Michigan on March 27th.

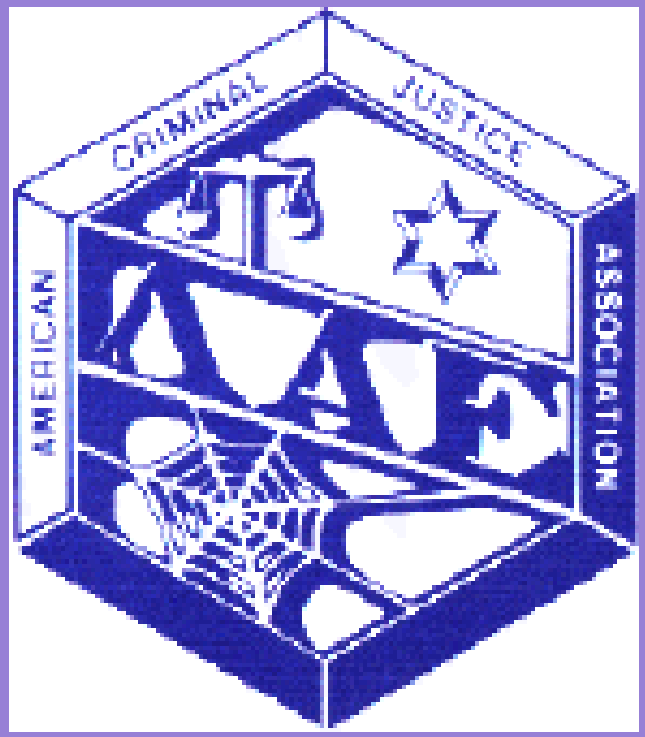
- **Jeff** also co-presented (w/ Michael Hutchins, IU-Southeast) the paper "Gloom then Boom with Auto-Zoom: Expanding Student Choices with Technology to Enhance Student Motivation" at this year's SoTL conference on April 10th.

- **Jeff Luppes** received at Distance Education Course Development Grant to develop the course "Selected Works of Contemporary German Literature: German Short Stories" (G307) for Spring 2016.

Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice, cont'd.

- Graduating senior **Sarah Odle** placed 3rd on the Policing Written Examination at the 78th National Conference of the American Criminal Justice Association. She competed against hundreds of other Criminal Justice Students across the country!
- **Christina Smith** placed 1st in the Juvenile Justice Exam at the same conference



Women's and Gender Studies

- **Andrea Rusnock** will be a Scholar-In-Residence at the Hillwood Museum in Washington, D.C. this summer.
- **Andrea** recently gave a public lecture at Notre Dame on *Soviet Art at Home and Abroad: National and International Exhibitions During the High Stalinist Period*

Women's and Gender Studies, cont'd.

- **April Lidinsky** was invited to Kennesaw State University on March 25-27 to work with instructors in the Writing Program who now teach her textbook, and the Gender and Women's Studies Program, who are developing their own campus monologues project.

Women's and Gender Studies, cont'd.

- **Christina Gerken** got a Faculty Research Grant for her new project titled "A Feminist Analysis of Gender- and Sexuality-Based Asylum Claims by Unaccompanied Minors."
- **Dr. Gerken's** book review of Up Against a Wall: Rape Reform and the Failure of Success will appear in print this month (in Perspectives on Politics).

Women's and Gender Studies, cont'd.

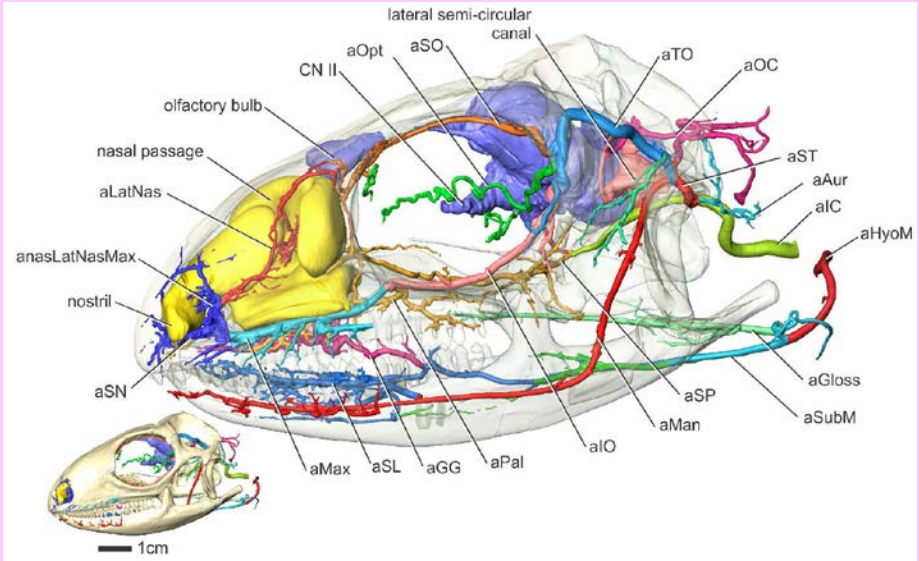
- Also, Dr. Gerken, Dr. Andrea Rusnock, Dr. Birch, and Nicole Micolichek received a Vision 2020 Grant for their Peer Mentoring Program.
- Dr. Gerken wrote and WGS received a Smart Grant for taking nearly two dozen WGS students to IU East for the IU Wide Women's and Gender Studies conference.

Biology Department Kudos: Recent & Current Grads

- **Laurie Lutes (2011) –** Accepted into Master's program in Plant Pathology, University of Oregon
- **Jonathan D'Amico (2012)** - NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Fellowship, University of Notre Dame
- **Ali Salameh (2014)** – Accepted into U. Arizona Med School
- **Umron Alkotob (2015 w/ Honors)** – Accepted into St. Georges University Med School
- **Tiffany Claeys (2015)** – Accepted into PhD program in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, Medical College of Wisconsin
- **Jacob Hostetler (2015)** – Accepted into IU Medical School
- **Megan Pozsgai (2015)** – Accepted into Master's program in Prosthetics and Orthotics, Northwestern University

Biology Department Kudos: Recent & Current Grads

- **Dr. William Porter (2008) -** March 2015 PhD in Dinosaur Physiology, Ohio University
  - Dissertation title: *Physiological Implications of Dinosaur Cephalic Vascular Systems*
  - "....don't forget, you helped me get here! I also wanted to tell you that there were several occasions during my graduate training where I drew on the knowledge gained at IUSB. The Department of Biological Sciences at IUSB does fantastic work training students. Don't let anyone tell you otherwise!"



English

Benjamin Balthaser

- "'Travels of an American Indian into the Hinterlands of the Soviet Russia': Indigenous Modernity and the Popular Front" was nominated by the editorial board of American Quarterly for the Don D. Walker Prize in Western American literary criticism.

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- Article: "Nationalism and the West in Brian Friel's The Gentle Island and Martin McDonagh's The Beauty Queen of Leenane," The Nordic Irish Studies Journal
- Article: "Non-modern Culture in Brian Friel's Plays," ABEI: The Brazilian Journal of Irish Studies
- Review: "New Dubliners and Joyce: A Review of ACIS 2015," Breac: A Digital Journal of Irish Studies
- Review: "Hit or Miss?: The Chinese Translation of Finnegans Wake," James Joyce Literary Supplement

English, cont'd.

Anne Magnan-Park

- Co-translated *Kaitiaki* by Witi Ihimaera (Les Petites Allées Press)
- Public interview with New Zealand author Witi Ihimaera at Rochefort Pacifique (France), a festival on Anglophone and Francophone literature and cinema.
- Invited to by UND Center for Arts and Culture to bring New Zealand artists to South Bend on a yearly basis, beginning in 2016.

English, cont'd.

Bobby Meyer Lee

- Named Dabney Adams Hart Distinguished Visiting Humanities Professor at Agnes Scott College
- Appointed co-editor of the Journal of English and Germanic Philology

English, cont'd.

Graduate School Acceptance

- **Gabrielle Houck** was accepted to the M.A. Program in Literature and Society at the University of Edinburgh.
- **Lexi Millard** was accepted with funding to the Ph.D. program in English Literature at the University of Iowa.
- **Brian Miller** was accepted to the M.A. Programs in Romanticism at the University of York and the University of Leeds.
- **Andrew Boomhower** was accepted with funding to the English MA program at Illinois State University.
- **Jaime Anderson**, English MA graduate, was accepted with funding to the English PhD program at the University of Tennessee.

Student Paper Presentations

- **Karen Yoder** presented her paper, "Non-conformed Dress and the Female Form in Julia Spicher Kasdorf's 'St. Francis Preaches to the Birds,'" at the Mennonite/s Writing Conference (Fresno Pacific University)

Student Awards

- English student **Jane Wise** received the Michele C. Russo Library Services Student Worker Scholarship

Master of Liberal Studies

Three MLS students presented papers at the Midwestern Graduate Liberal Studies Conference:

- **Jeremiah Peugh**, "The Sustainable Mind."
- **Kristina Charleston**, "An Argument for Domestic High School Student Exchanges in the U.S."
- **Manoj Khadka**, "The Crisis in Darfur and the IDPs Issues."

- Student **Kristina Charleston** published "Reframing the Debate: Spain's Colonization of the New World as Genocide" in the 2015 *Graduate Journal*.

Psychology

- Matthew Costello's research assistant **Kurtis Willingham** was accepted into a graduate school gerontology program
- **Dennis Rodriguez** was nominated for the Educator of the Year Award and for the Outstanding Advisor of the Year Award

Sociology and Anthropology

Dawn Rutecki presented a paper at the 80th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology on "Ambiguous Iconography: Queering the Shell Game." She was also a discussant in the forum "Out in the Field: Queer Experiences and Challenges in Archaeology".

In addition, **Dawn** had a book review accepted to Southeastern Archaeology for Cultural Negotiations: The Role of Women in the Founding of Americanist Archaeology published by David Browman (2013, U. Nebraska).

Betsy Lucal gave a guest lecture at Purdue North Central earlier this month. It was called, "Sixteen Years after 'What It Means to be Gendered Me': Additional Analysis and Reflections on Doing Sociological Autoethnography."

Sociology & Anthropology, cont'd.

Theo Randall presented on "Afrocentrism: Where is It and Where is It Going?" at the Central States Anthropological Society Annual Meeting, St. Paul, Minnesota [April 10, 2015].

Theo was also a guest speaker about "Colorism" on the WNIT Program: Have You Read? (Hosted by Cheryl Ashe) South Bend, Indiana [April 14, 2015].

Josh Wells was busy at the SAA 80th Meeting, too. He presented a paper in an invited symposium, co-authored five posters, chaired a discussion forum on digital methods, participated in a discussion forum on evaluating archaeological scholarship, and was a convener for the Digital Data Interest Group.

Sociology & Anthropology, cont'd.

Gail McGuire (with Gretchen Anderson, Elizabeth Bennion, and Lee Kahan) was awarded a Vision 2020 grant for "Internships in the Liberal Arts and Sciences: Extending High Impact Practices at IU South Bend."

Jay VanderVeen (with **Gretchen Anderson** and **Keith Dawson**) was awarded a Vision 2020 grant for "COEUS Award to Recognize High Impact Practices."

Zach Schrank presented at the 2015 Midwest Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Conference.

Robyn Black, Flora Cole, Elizabeth Georges, Lauren Jankowski, Amy Fields, Jazmine Medina, and Leah Nagy (current students and alumni) presented at the North Central Sociological Association Annual Meeting in Cleveland, OH.

Sociology and Anthropology, cont'd.

Jazmine Medina (current student) was awarded a SMART Summer Fellowship ($3400) for her proposal, "Undergraduate Retention at IU South Bend: An Analysis of Students' Experiences with and Beliefs about Advising."

Daniela Panetta (alumna) was awarded an internship with the Smithsonian Institution's Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage.

Six presentations at the IU South Bend Undergraduate Research Conference had faculty mentors from the department (**Blouin, Schrank,** and **VanderVeen**).

URC Winners

Creative Arts

Winner: Jordan Rae Lucas

Honorable Mention: Lucas Burkett; Niall Garvin

Humanities

Co-Winners: Brendan Beck; Christopher Williams (he presented twice, the paper on college costs was the winning paper)

Honorable Mention: Jane Wise; Ben Wineland

Natural Sciences

Winner: Emily Mann

Honorable Mention: Jonathan Wells

URC Winners, cont'd.

Professional Programs

Co-Winners: Aaron Medlin; Avery Smith and Kelsey Carmack

NOTE: Aaron Medlin's updated paper title is "Illuminating Labor Demand Shifts from Immigration: An Empirical Examination of the Impact of New Immigrants on New Business Establishments"—if you are listing paper titles in the awards announcements, please use this title rather than the one in the program.

Social Sciences

Winner: Geoffrey Trowbridge

Honorable Mention: Christopher Crawford; Stacey Motz

World Languages

Co-Winners: Adam Metcalfe; Samantha Blair

SB 150 Birthday Weekend- Volunteers Needed!

- IUSB is looking for groups of people to volunteer (departments, student organizations, sports teams, etc.)

- Information and signups on the 3-hour shifts can be found here: http://www.sb150.com/volunteer

Completed CLAS Videos

- Math
- Sociology/Anthropology
- History

Take a look!

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCl1u7GKzzS4ucEe-7PT5fJw