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UofT News Talks to David Begun

U of T News has posted an interview with [Prof. David Begun](#) about his theories of evolution detailed in his latest book, [The Real Planet of the Apes](#) (Princeton University Press, 2015) and the importance of involving undergraduate students in his research. Read it online at <http://news.utoronto.ca/did-our-hominid-ancestors-leave-africa-and-return>

Fellowship in Ethnographic Writing, 2016-17

The Centre for Ethnography (CE) at the University of Toronto at Scarborough (UTSC) is accepting applications for their annual Fellowship in Ethnographic Writing. Writing is a key component of the work of an anthropologist, but it takes time and benefits from some distance from the fieldwork itself, and from other obligations. In recognition of this fact the CE introduced a Fellowship in Ethnographic Writing in 2010. We are now seeking applications for either Fall or Winter Term of 2016-17, to be held at UTSC. Application deadline is **March 15, 2016**, further details at <http://anthropology.utoronto.ca/fellowship-in-ethnographic-writing-2016-17/>

Grant Otsuki Lands Assistant Professor Position at the University of Tsukuba

Congratulations to [Grant Otsuki](#) for his appointment as Assistant Professor at the [University of Tsukuba](#), Japan. Grant completed his PhD last year under the supervision of Prof. Shiho Satsuka. His research involves looking at how science and technology provide ways for people to understand themselves as social and biological beings, and how they re-shape what counts as society, culture, and politics in the process. His dissertation was an ethnographic study of the creation of human-machine interfaces in Japan and North America.

Leslie Carlin and Simon Coleman Write Review of *Peeps Magazine*

[Leslie Carlin](#), a Research Associate in the Dept. of Physical Therapy and a medical anthropologist, teamed up with Anthropology Cross-Appointment [Simon Coleman](#) to write a review of the first issue of [Peeps Magazine](#), a new Toronto based print magazine tracking social shifts around the world. The first issue of this magazine touting anthropology for non-anthropologists includes pieces by Sessional Lecturer [Victor Barac](#) and PhD student [Graham Candy](#). Read Leslie Carlin and Simon Coleman's review on the Peeps website at <http://peepsforum.com/two-anthropologists-review-peeps-magazine/>.

Prof. Tania Li Presenting Lectures in Cambridge and the Netherlands

[Prof. Tania Li](#) will be presenting on her research at the University of Cambridge Feb. 23-24 as part of the Department of Geography's Distinguished Visitors Scheme. Her large lecture scheduled for Feb. 23 is entitled "Commodification, Capitalism, Counter-movements: Perspectives from Southeast Asia." On Feb. 24 she will give a departmental seminar on "Plantations, Violence, and the Monopoly Form." Further details on both events [can be found here](#). Prof. Li will also be helping Radboud University launch their new Shifting Solidarities master's programme with a Feb. 18 keynote speech on "Solidarity Today: What, and How?" Further details at <http://www.ru.nl/anthropology/>



Klara Komza is one of the undergrads who worked with Professor David Begun (photo by Johnny Guatto)



Professor Tania Murray Li
Professor of Geography and Global Health Research Chair in the Culture and Political Economy of Southeast Asia, University of Toronto

Commodification,
Capitalism,
Counter-movements:
Perspectives from
Southeast Asia



5pm Tuesday 23rd February 2016
Large Lecture Theatre, Department of Geography
Public Lecture All Welcome



Upcoming Anthropology Events

Thursday, February 18, 2016

The Anthropologist Film Screening

The AGSU is sponsoring a sneak-preview of *The Anthropologist*, a documentary directed by Daniel A. Miller in celebration of [World Anthropology Day](#). 12:00-2:00pm, AP 246. Pizza and refreshments will be served. [Please register here](#). Further details about the film at <http://theanthromovie.com/>



Friday, February 26, 2016

Home from the Field Show & Tell

This informal event will give graduate students who have recently completed a stint of field research the chance to tell faculty, fellow students, and prospective students what they've been up to, and show some photos from their field sites. 1:30-4:00pm, AP 246, 19 Russell St. [Further info and registration here](#).

[Bronwyn Frey](#) (M.A. student, Festive Arts program, University of Limerick)

Related to Revellers: Family and Gender Relations in a Toronto Masquerade Band

Ethnography Lab, 5:00-6:00pm, AP 330. [Further info here](#).

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

[Prof. Seth Bernard](#) (Classics, U of T)

Buildings and Builders in Mid-Republican Rome

[AIA Lecture](#), 6:00-7:00pm, AP 130, 19 Russell St. Further info at <http://aiatoronto.ca/lectures/>

Thursday, March 3, 2016

Anthropology Wen-Do Self Defense Course

Organized in collaboration with the U of T Community Safety Office, 6:00-9:00pm, AP 130, 19 Russell St. [Further info and registration here](#).

Wednesday, February 24, 2016



[Hollis Moore](#) (Centre for Ethnography Fellow)

Prisons as Houses and Houses as Prisons: Gender, Confinement, and Conjugal Visitation in Northeast Brazil

2:00-4:00pm, UTSC Centre for Ethnography, MW 296

Thursday, March 3 – Friday, March 4, 2016

3rd Annual MEDUSA Graduate Student Colloquium

Presented by the AGSU (Anthropology Graduate Students Union) AP 246, 19 Russell St., Dept. of Anthropology.

[Emma Yasui](#) (PhD Student)

Consuming the Past: Curious Relationships between Now and Then

[Got Anthropology? Series](#), free snacks. 7:00pm, AB 107, 50 St. George St.



Friday, March 4, 2016

[Prof. Kristina Wirtz](#) (Western Michigan University)

What the Revolution Will Not Televis: Mobilizing Blackness in Santiago de Cuba's Carnavalesque

Anthropology Colloquium Series, Co-Sponsored by the Caribbean Studies Program. 2:00-4:00pm, AP 246, 19 Russell St. [Register here](#).

Thursday, February 25, 2016

[Prof. Jatin Dua](#) (Anthropology, University of Michigan)

A Sea of Protection: Piracy, Trade and Regulation in the Western Indian Ocean

Centre for Diaspora and Transnational Studies Guest Speaker Series, 3:00-5:00pm, UC 161, 15 King's College Circle.

[Carsten Knoch](#) (Anthropology MA Student, Management Consultant)

Ethnography Among Management Consultants

Ethnography Lab, 5:00-6:00pm, AP 330. [Further info here](#).



b2B Industry Night - Careers in Communications

6:00-8:00pm, Hart House, 7 Hart House Circle [Further details and registration here](#).

Monday, March 7, 2016

[Prof. Eric Cazdyn](#) (University of Toronto)

The Blindspot of Hope

10:00am-12:00pm, UTSC Centre for Ethnography, MW 324

Thursday, February 25 - Friday, February 26, 2016

Anthropology PhD Recruitment Event

AP 246, 19 Russell St. Thursday: 5:00-7:00pm
Friday: 10:00am-5:00pm, followed by dinner at the Faculty Club. [Further details here](#).

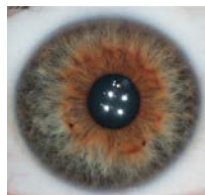


Recent Publications

[Iris Pigmentation as a Quantitative Trait: Variation in Populations of European, East Asian and South Asian Ancestry and Association with Candidate Gene Polymorphisms](#)

by **Melissa Edwards et al.**

PhD candidate [Melissa Edwards](#), in collaboration with co-authors D. Cha, S. Krithika, M. Johnson, G. Cook and E.J.



Parra, has published an article in *Pigment Cell & Melanoma Research* (DOI: 10.1111/pcmr.12435). A related article entitled “[Analysis of Iris surface features in populations of diverse ancestry](#)” by Melissa Edwards, D. Cha, S. Krithika, M. Johnson and E.J. Parra has also been published in *Royal Society Open Science* (DOI: 10.1098/rsos.150424). Both papers are regarding variation of iris colour and features in populations of diverse ancestry, and also analyze the effects of some genetic markers on these traits. These studies, which are part of Melissa Edwards’ Ph.D. thesis, show there is much more quantitative variation in iris colour than is typically captured when using categorical classifications such as green, blue and brown, and because very few studies have been devoted to characterize variation in iris features. Melissa is working on this research under the supervision of [Prof. Esteban Parra](#).

[Quality Assurance in Archaeological Survey](#) by **E.B. Banning et al.**

[Prof. Edward Banning](#) and co-authors A.L. Hawkins, S.T. Stewart, P. Hitchings and S. Edwards have an article in *The Journal of Archaeological Method and Theory* (DOI 10.1007/s10816-016-9274-2) discussing the use of Quality Assurance approaches and empirical methods for estimating surveys’ effectiveness at discovering archaeological artifacts as a means of ensuring quality standards. [The article can be read via Open Access here.](#)



[Experimental Socioecology: Integrative Science for Anthropocene Landscape Dynamics](#) Co-Authored by **Isaac Ullah**

[MA Alumnus Isaac Ullah](#) is the second author on this article published in the January 2016 issue of *Anthropocene* (doi:10.1016/j.ancene.2015.12.004)

The article details examples of experimental socioecology offering new insights for scale-dependent thresholds in agropastoral productivity, long-term sustainability of alternative land-use strategies, and identifying signatures of human and climate-driven landscape dynamics. Isaac completed his Masters with us in 2003 and is currently a postdoctoral research scholar at the School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University.

[Teaching Gender in Archaeology: A Conversation](#) by **Samantha Easy et al.**

Graduate Student [Samantha Easy](#) has co-authored a piece along with Geneviève Godin (University of York) and Prof. Maria Theresia Starzmann (McGill) that appears in the *Society for American Archaeology Special Section: Towards an Inclusive Queer Archaeology* (January 2016, Vol. 16, No. 1, pp. 24-30.) [The article has been uploaded to Samantha’s academia.edu page here.](#)

[Zika Virus Shows Us How the World is Getting Smaller](#) by **Mike Callaghan**

PhD Alumnus [Mike Callaghan](#) has a short article in the February 1, 2016 issue of the *Ottawa Citizen* about the recent and sudden spread of the Zika virus to the Americas. Mike completed his PhD with us in 2015 under the supervision of Profs. Daniel Sellen and Richard B. Lee. He frequently has opinion pieces published in the *Ottawa Citizen* and is currently a postdoctoral fellow at U of T and Moi University in Kenya. Read this latest article at <http://ottawacitizen.com/opinion/columnists/mike-callaghan-zika-virus-shows-us-how-the-world-is-getting-smaller>



Job Postings & Fellowships

Anthropology Course Lecturer Positions, Summer 2016, McGill University

Deadline: February 22, 2016

<http://bit.ly/IQIOaAo>

Faculty of Arts and Science Postdoctoral Fellowship Program, University of Toronto

Deadline: February 26, 2016;

<http://bit.ly/20eyJrU>

Associate Professor, Social Anthropology, University of Oslo

Deadline: March 1, 2016

<http://uio.easycruit.com/vacancy/1554705/65780?iso=no>

Three Year Elisabeth Luce Moore Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program, Anthropology of Religion, Wellesley College

Deadline: March 14, 2016

<http://bit.ly/IU8mzPI>

CULINARIA

Two Postdoctoral Fellowship Positions in Food Studies, The Culinaria

Research Centre at the University of Toronto Scarborough

Deadline: March 15, 2016; <http://bit.ly/IVN+YLM>

Research Fellow in Dialogue on International Law and Human Security, 2016-17, Simon Fraser University

Deadline: March 18, 2016

<https://www.postdocs.ubc.ca/positions/300>

More Job Postings and Fellowship Opportunities are listed on our website at

<http://anthropology.utoronto.ca/home/job-postings/>



Awards



Department Award: Anthropology Teaching Assistant of the Year

The Department of Anthropology would like to recognize an outstanding Teaching Assistant for 2015-16. We welcome nominations from faculty, course instructors, graduate/undergraduate students and staff. The Department will award the successful winner a \$200 prize and display a photo of the winner in our Administration Offices. The deadline for nominations is **March 11, 2016**. One winner will be chosen by the Anthropology Executive from all eligible submissions.

General criteria/eligibility:

Teaching Assistants in CUPE 3902 Unit I at any campus (St. George, UTM, UTSC) who have performed TA duties for the Department of Anthropology between September 1, 2015 and April 30, 2016 and who:

- engage undergraduate students with enthusiasm and provide meaningful feedback through excellent
- communication skills
- demonstrate creativity and innovation in the classroom
- demonstrate good organizational methods and submit grades in a timely fashion
- are responsible and dependable

Please provide a one page nomination letter/email addressing each of the criteria above to anthro.officeofthechair@utoronto.ca by March 11, 2016.



Canada I50 Student Fund @UofT

Would you like to be part of U of T's celebration of Canada's Sesquicentennial in 2017? Do you enjoy generating and developing ideas? If so, **apply for funding** from the Canada I50 Student Fund @UofT. **16 student initiatives will be awarded \$1,000 each.** [Further info here.](#)

<http://tatp.utoronto.ca/awards/>

Association for the Study of Middle East and Africa (ASMEA) Grant Opportunities for Members



ASMEA Research Grants

ASMEA is offering research grants up to \$2500 to qualified scholars and students engaged in the study of the Middle East and Africa. Application deadline is **Tuesday, March 15, 2016**. [Find out more information HERE.](#)

Moroccan Studies Research Grant

ASMEA and the [Moroccan-American Cultural Center](#) (MACC) are offering research grants for scholars and students whose research is focused on the Kingdom of Morocco. Grants up to \$2500 will be awarded. Application deadline is **Tuesday, March 15, 2016**. [Find out more information HERE.](#)

Conference Travel Grant

ASMEA is offering travel grants up to \$750 to qualified scholars and students to present their research at the 9th Annual Conference. Application deadline is **Wednesday, March 25, 2016**. [Find out more information HERE.](#)

[DOWNLOAD the 2016 ASMEA GRANTS FLYER.](#)

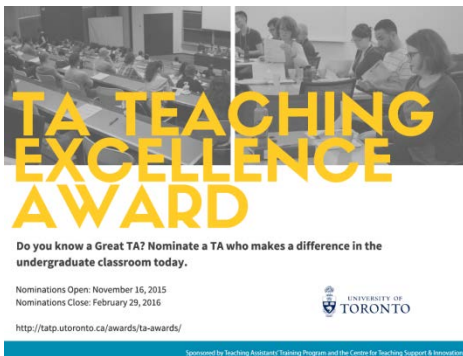
Become an ASMEA member [here](#).

Mitacs Elevate Postdoc Funding for all Disciplines

[Mitacs Elevate](#) is now accepting applications for two-year postdoctoral funding:

- \$55,000 annual award (+ \$7,500 per year non-cash value in training)
- Customized training exclusive to Elevate fellows
- Long-term collaborative research project with a non-academic partner

Letter of Intent Deadline is March 23, 2016. Further details at www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/elevate



Calls for Papers

Non-conforming bodies: an exploration of public health knowledge, practice and technologies beyond 'the body', 4S and EASST Conference, August 31-September 3, 2016, Barcelona



Deadline: February 21, 2016; <http://bit.ly/1VnL17z>

Fantasy/Fear, 8th Annual McGill Anthropology Graduate Student Conference, April 8, 2016, Montreal

Deadline Extended to February 20, 2016

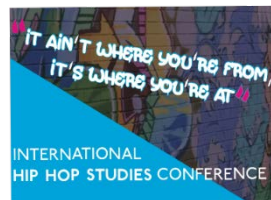
<http://bit.ly/1kJjvfe>

Religion and History, Department of Classics and Religion Graduate Student Conference, April 14-15, 2016, University of Calgary

Deadline: February 24, 2016; <http://bit.ly/1O3UpS7>

(Re)thinking Social Transformation: In the Community, With the Community, ENGAGE 16th Annual Graduate Student Conference, March 12, 2016, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Guelph

Deadline: February 27, 2016; <http://bit.ly/20Zy69m>



'It Ain't Where You're From, It's Where You're At': International Hip Hop Studies Conference, June 23-24, 2016, University of Cambridge

Deadline: March 4, 2016;

<http://bit.ly/1Xy3LsV>

AAA 2016 CFP: Ethical and Practical Complexities: Navigating the IRB to Conduct Ethnographies with Vulnerable Populations/Individuals with Mental Illnesses, Annual AAA Conference Theme: "Evidence, Accident, Discovery", November 16-20, 2016, Minneapolis

Deadline: March 5, 2016; <http://bit.ly/1QJjhwT>

AAA 2016 CFP: Somatechnics of Human Papillomavirus (HPV), November 16-20, 2016, Minneapolis

Deadline: March 15, 2016; <http://bit.ly/1U8lZLj>

Visualizing Humanity: Engaging Local, Regional, and Global Perspectives, Northeastern Anthropological Association (NEAA) 56th Annual Meeting, April 22-23, Skidmore College, New York

Deadline: March 18, 2016

<http://www.neaa.org/conference/>

Taking the Long View: Assessing Change in the Middle East and Africa, Association for the Study of the Middle East and African (ASMEA) Conference, October 27-29, 2016, Washington, D.C.

Deadline: March 30, 2016; <http://bit.ly/ISSQNHw>

Bangalore Research Network-NAGARA Second Annual Workshop, July 30, 2016, Bangalore

Deadline: April 1, 2016; <http://bit.ly/1Tr2Pr8>

7th Urban Space and Social Life: Theory and Practice Conference, June 15-17, 2016, Sanya University, Hainan, China

Deadline: April 11, 2016; <http://bit.ly/20eCbCC>

Movement: Brain, Body, Cognition, July 9-11, 2017, Oxford University



Deadline: April 15, 2016;

<http://movementis.com/>

ESA RN20 Qualitative Methods Conference, September 1-3, 2016, Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Poland

Deadline: April 20, 2016; <http://bit.ly/ISSR0dF>

European Anthropology in a Changing World: From Culture to Global Biology, 20th European Anthropological Association (EAA) Congress, August 24-28, 2016, Zagreb, Croatia

Deadline: April 30, 2016; <http://eaa2016.com/>

Call for Entries: The Third Ethnographic Film and Media Program of the Middle East and Central Eurasia of EASA

Deadline: May 10, 2016; <http://bit.ly/1S4vVut>

Health's Borders, *Health Tomorrow*, Volume 4 (2016)

Deadline: May 15, 2016

<http://ht.journals.yorku.ca/index.php/ht/announcement>

Radical Ecologies in the Anthropocene, *The Trumpeter Online Journal*

Deadline: August 1, 2016; <http://bit.ly/1KWO8t8>

Wealth, Poverty, and Practice, Issue 10 of *Practical Matters*

Deadline: October 1, 2016

<http://practicalmattersjournal.org/submissions/>

More Calls for Papers are listed on our website at
<http://anthropology.utoronto.ca/community/calls-for-papers/>



Upcoming Conferences & Workshops

Deleuze and Guattari, Feminism, and Queer Theory: An Introductory Workshop, Centre for Feminist Research, February 25, 2016, York University

Facilitated by Dr. reese simpkins, 2014-15 Visiting Scholar, Centre for Feminist Research & Sexuality Studies. 12:00pm-2:00pm, 626 Kaneff Tower.

In this introductory workshop, we will discuss the basics of Deleuzo-Guattarian theory in an accessible manner, and assess their potential for feminism and queer theory. We will focus on Deleuze and Guattari's work *A Thousand Plateaus*, including their discussion of rhizome and becoming. We will also cover topics of embodiment and affect, as well as the political implications of Deleuzo-Guattarian based frameworks.

This workshop is a great chance to come and discuss your ideas, as participants at all levels of familiarity are welcome to have their writing incorporated into the discussion. [Further info here.](#)

Trans, 26th Annual Conference of the Centre for Comparative Literature, March 4-5, 2016, Victoria University, Toronto



Co-funded by the Department of Anthropology, among others. Alumni Hall, 91 Charles St. West. Featuring: W.J.T. Mitchell (University of Chicago) *Salvaging Israel/Palestine: Art, Collaboration, and the Binational State*

Linda & Michael Hutcheon (U of T) *Operatic Transformation: Translation, Adaptation, Transladaptation*

John Paul Ricco (U of T) *Edging, Drawing, the Common*

Further details at <http://conference.complit.utoronto.ca>

Graphic Anthropology Field School, March 26-April 9, 2016, Gozo (Malta, Europe)

Due to the high demand for the Expeditions graphic anthropology workshop in the summer of 2016, and the lack of available spots there, we decided to organize another opportunity to partake in this project. Please find see the program flyer at <http://anthropologyfieldschool.org/resources/GraphicAnthropologyApril.pdf>

Self-Compassion and Emotional Resilience Workshop, April 8, 2016, Stratford

With Dr. Kristin Neff, Self-Compassion Expert. Early bird discount ends March 7. Intended for professionals who want to learn self-compassion skills that they can integrate into their work life and teach to clients. It is also appropriate for anyone who wants to develop more self-compassion in their personal life. [Further details here.](#)

Palliative Care for Older Adults Online Workshop, March 7-April 3

Deadline to register: Mon Feb 29th, 2016

This workshop will be offered online and will only be offered if there is sufficient enrolment. This workshop will introduce inter-professional learners to key concepts in palliative care, considering the experiences and needs of older adults

Learning objectives - by the end of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Define, describe and differentiate "Hospice palliative care" as a philosophy of care, a specialty, a service/program and a setting
- Gain insight in to special considerations related to hospice palliative care for older adults
- Further develop an understanding and comfort in formulating goals of care for older adults
- Further develop an understanding of concepts around advance care planning for older adults

Registration and payment available online at www.aging.utoronto.ca

Movements & Migrancies, Graduate Student Conference, Dept. of English, April 27-28, 2016, U of T

Movements & Migrancies, this year's conference at the University of Toronto's Department of English, aims to showcase graduate student research and offer a forum for discussing themes of migration and movement across diverse time periods, disciplines, and literatures.

The conference committee is very excited to announce our two **keynote speakers** [Prof. Lily Cho](#) (York University), whose talk is tentatively titled "Asian Value: Fictions of Finance and Beautiful Money," as well as [Prof. Erin Manning](#) (Concordia University), whose talk is titled "The Feeling of Effort: When Movement Exceeds Us." Further info: <http://movements-migrancies.com/#call-for-papers>

THINK – Navigation and Transformation in Today's Learning Landscape, U of T's Teaching & Learning Symposium, May 10, 2016, Rotman School of Management

TL10 | 10 Years of Celebrating Teaching & Learning at U of T

RE: THINK
Navigation and Transformation
in Today's Learning Landscape

May 10, 2016
Desautels Hall, Rotman School of Management
University of Toronto, 95 St. George Street

The 10th annual symposium will explore ideas, issues and possibilities relating to Navigation and Transformation in Today's Learning Landscape. The symposium will consider the what, why and how of reimagining teaching and learning in higher education. In what ways can we anticipate, leverage and even create transformative changes in higher education? How can individuals, divisions and institutions reshape their thinking to respond to contemporary challenges and opportunities to better prepare students for a lifetime of success? How can specific pedagogical practices revitalize traditional modes of teaching and learning and revitalize the liberal education model? UofT instructors and librarians are invited to submit a proposal for the symposium. Deadline is **February 22, 2016**. Visit <http://tls.utoronto.ca/> for more information.



Field & Summer Schools

Paleoindian Archaeology at the Edge of the Rockies, University of Wyoming, July 2-August 8



The University of Wyoming Advanced Archaeological Field School will take place at the Hell Gap site in the summer of 2016. The year marks the 50 anniversary since the end of the first period of excavation at the site in 1966. This program is designed for upper level undergraduate as well as graduate students. [Further information available here.](#)

June Solstice Seminar, June 5-25, Andean Action Research for Social Change

The [Center for Social Well Being](#) is offering this 3 week training program after which students may work and/or pursue their own research objectives in health, education, agriculture, social development, with municipal institutes and civic organizations. Length of the post-training internship is adapted to students' needs with respect to academic and professional requirements. Upon successful completion of the seminar students may affiliate with us as researchers and outreach workers. CSW is an affiliate of the *University of New Mexico's Latin American and Iberian Institute* to facilitate the awarding of academic credit for student participants: <https://laii.unm.edu>.

The combined undergraduate and graduate seminar is held at the center's rural base, an adobe lodge on an ecological ranch in the Cordillera Blanca mountain range. The program is under the direction of Applied Medical Anthropologist, *Patricia J. Hammer*, Ph.D., and *Flor de María Barreto Tosi*, Ecologist and Field Coordinator.

For an application: phammer@wayna.rcp.net.pe

Deadline: March 25th 2016.

Further program information: www.socialwellbeing.org



Acquiring and Post-Processing 3D Data in Anthropology and Archaeology, July 1-10, University of Bologna

Suitable for undergraduate/graduate students, PhD students, post-doctorates in the field of anthropology, archaeology, medicine and dentistry

who are interested in developing basic, but fundamental, skills in 3D data acquisition and post processing. [For further information please click here.](#)

Call for Volunteers – [Kursi Beach Excavations](#), Sea of Galilee, Israel

The 2016 season will take place on November 1st - December 15. More information can be found at kursibeach.haifa.ac.il

Animating Life, Kadokawa Culture Promotion Summer Program, July 4-14, 2016, University of Tokyo, Featuring Lectures by Prof. Shiho Satsuka & UofT Alumnus Grant Otsuki (PhD, 2015)

The Kadokawa Culture Promotion Foundation, in conjunction with the University of Tokyo, will host an annual Summer Program focusing on various aspects of Japanese popular media culture. With Anne Allison as the main organizer, the Program invites 10 graduate students from universities around the world who will collaborate with students from the University of Tokyo. Our hope is that participants will take advantage of the Program to build new social networks and pursue work related to Japanese media and popular cultures in the future, whether as researchers, artists, or teachers. *Animating Life* explores limits of intimacy and forms of companionship creatively reorganized in today's Japanese popular culture. Taking 'animation' and 'life' as key concepts, the Program examines how the popular cultural imagination animates – breathes life into – a variety of relationships people establish with human and nonhuman others. We seek to discern convergence, feedback, and crossing among diverse dimensions of animation. To that end, we welcome applicants interested in any facet of Japanese society where the concepts of 'animation' and 'life' may be productively mobilized for analysis. The range of topics and disciplinary backgrounds for consideration is wide open. Application submissions will be closed at 24:00 on **March 10, 2016 (Japan Standard Time)**. [Further details available here.](#)

Ethnographic Sensibility in Belgrade, Serbia, May 30–July 9, 2016

University of Alberta Anthropology Department offers a 6-week, 6-credit Fieldschool for [Ethnographic Sensibility in Belgrade, Serbia](#) in the Summer of 2016. Hone



your ethnographic sensibility through sensorium training methods developed in visual arts, performance, music and mindfulness. This is a highly innovative and unique intensive field training in cross-cultural communication not offered anywhere else. Please contact [Marko Zivkovic](#) for more information or visit our website at <http://ethnosense.com/>

Problems in the Study of Religion, National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute, May 31-June 17, University of Virginia

This institute will bring together faculty and advanced graduate students from the many disciplines that have a stake in understanding religion, for the purpose of coming to terms with the manifold changes in the study of religion that have occurred over the past decade. The Institute will introduce scholars, within religious studies and without, to the enormously productive re-thinking of the idea of "religion" that has happened in recent years, in order to assist those interested in developing a richer and more nuanced understanding of the strengths and weaknesses, the opportunities and pitfalls, that come with using the category of "religion" to understand highly diverse manifestations of human practice and belief. Applications for admission will be accepted through **March 1, 2016**. Detailed info may be found [at our website.](#)



University of Toronto Events

February 19, 2016

Planning, Development and the Politics of the Everyday State in South Asia

Centre for South Asian Studies PhD Seminar Series with Elsie Lewison (Hunan Geography PhD Candidate, U of T). 3:00-5:00pm, 108N, 1 Devonshire Pl. Register at <http://munkschool.utoronto.ca/event/18667/>

February 22, 2016

Dilemmas in the Prohibition of Slavery in Islam: How the Islamic States Gets Away with Slavery

Centre for Ethics presents [Prof. Ebrahim Moosa](#) (University of Notre Dame, Indiana). 4:00-6:00pm, LA 200, 15 Devonshire Pl. Further info: <http://ethics.utoronto.ca/emoosa/>



February 24, 2016

Public Healthcare in Sri Lanka: An Endangered Model of “Universal Health Coverage”?

Comparative Program on Health & Society presents [Lupina Senior Doctoral Fellow Ramya Kumar](#). 10:00am-12:00pm, 208N, 1 Devonshire Pl. Register at <http://munkschool.utoronto.ca/event/18491/>

February 25, 2016

The Cyborg in Globalizing India: Technology, Community, and Revolution in Indra Sinha’s Animal’s People and Altaf Tyrewala’s Englishhh ©

Centre for South Asian Studies PhD Seminar Series with Stephanie Southmayd. 10:00am-12:00pm, 208N, 1 Devonshire Pl. Registration and further info: <http://munkschool.utoronto.ca/ai/event/19620/>



Use of Multiple Medications in Geriatric Patients: A Problem for Some, but Not for All Older People

ILCA Seminar with [Dr. Carols Rojas-Fernandez](#) (University of Waterloo). 12:00-1:00pm, 4th Fl. Classroom, 263 McCaul St.

The Sciences and Professional Faculties

Linda Kohn, Paul Hamel, Patricia O’Campo and others- to discuss the challenges they face in the university today around issues like the overproduction of science PhDs, precarious employment in the science and professional faculties, and the politics of funding across and within these faculties. 7:00pm, Tranzac Club, 292 Brunswick Ave. Sponsored by **The List**, a monthly social space for progressive faculty and friends at U of T. Further info at <https://utopenletter.wordpress.com/>

February 26, 2016

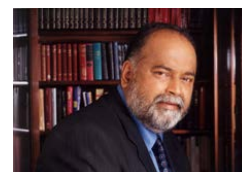
And Still We Rise: A New Generation of Black Students Arises for a New Time

Public lecture featuring [Prof. Robert A. Hill](#) (UCLA), hosted by Caribbean Studies at New College. 6:30pm, ES 1050, 22 Russell St. [Register here.](#)

March 1, 2016

The Magic of Things

Jackman Humanities Institute presents [Arijun Appadurai](#) (Paulette Goddard Professor of Media, Culture, and Communication, New York University) a master class with the at New York University. 7:00pm, doors at 6:30, Innis Town Hall, 2 Sussex Ave. [Further info here.](#)



March 4, 2016

Environmental Career Day

Open to all currently registered students, 10:00am-3:00pm, Great Hall, Hart House. [Further info here.](#)

March 9, 10, 11, 2016

Visions of Early Christianity in Early Modern Europe

F.E.I. Priestley Memorial Lectures in the History of Ideas with [Prof. Anthony T. Grafton](#) (Princeton University). Further details at <http://www.uc.utoronto.ca/priestley2016>

March 10, 2016

Stolen Story, Reclaimed Memories: The Politics of Digital-Storytelling Data Analysis

CQ Speaker Series with Post-Doctoral Fellow [Manuela Ferrari](#) (Dept. of Psychiatry, McMaster). 12:00-1:30pm, HSI24, 155 College St. [Further info here.](#)

What’s in a Name? Postmodern Criticisms of Buddhists Under Colonialism

Prof. Patrick Pranke (University of Louisville) speaks at this Centre for Southeast Asian Studies event. 2:00-4:00pm, 208N, 1 Devonshire Pl. [Further info and registration here.](#)

March 17 2016



Hart House St. Patrick’s Day Céili

Hart House is going Irish on March 17th and throwing its first-ever Celtic festival of bands, bites and brews. Further info and tickets at <http://harthouse.ca/events/hart-house-st-patricks-day-ceili/>

