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CAMPUS HAPPENINGS - USD

IdeaFest 2018

IdeaFest 2018 is quickly approaching and so is the deadline to submit your abstracts! If you have conducted research throughout the past year and are planning to present it during IdeaFest please make sure to register and submit your abstract.

Visit www.usd.edu/cage/ideafest for more information.

Deadline to register is **February 28, 2018**, register [here](#).

Contact: Center for Academic and Global Engagement 605-677-6338 | ideafest@usd.edu



BIG Job Fair and Teacher Fair

The BIG (Business, Industry, Government) Job Fair features local, regional and national employers wanting to hire interns or recent graduates and alumni with college degrees. The Teacher Fair brings school districts from throughout the country to one location to hire everything from teachers to administrative and support positions.

Thursday, March 1, 2018 | 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. | Sioux Falls Convention Center in Sioux Falls, SD

Contact: Academic and Career Planning Center 605-677-5381 | www.usd.edu/advising

Research Impact: BROWN BAG SERIES

Dr. Aldrich from University Libraries will present on metrics to measure research impact. [RSVP](#)

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 | 12:30 -1:30 p.m. | Delzell 105

Contact: serc@usd.edu

Google Forms

This workshop will explain how to create, preview and send out a Google form and view responses.

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 | 3-4 p.m. | McKusick 110

Contact: Center for Teaching and Learning 605-677-5411 | www.usd.edu/ctl

Introducing SAS University Edition

Free, powerful statistics software for faculty and students. [RSVP](#)

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 | 12 p.m. | Delzell 107

Contact: serc@usd.edu

Invent to Innovate (i2i) Business Model Competition

The i2i Business Model Competition offers university and high school students the chance to win funding for their business ideas. The competition assists aspiring entrepreneurs in the new approach to launching companies, will help them become a more successful entrepreneur and decrease the time it takes for them to reach that success.

University Track First Place: \$2000, Second Place: \$1500, Third Place: \$1000

Plus additional prizes and services. There will also be a \$250 award given to the crowd favorite.

Friday, March 23, 2018 | Deadline to enter is March 5, 2018 | Register [here](#)

Contact: Marcie.Sariol@usd.edu | Aron.Spencer@usd.edu | Register or visit www.usd.edu/i2i

Free Resources

Demonstrate to your future employers why your #PhD skills give you an edge! @BeyondProf offers a free eCourse which can help empower you to talk about your skills and abilities in a way that employers will understand, <https://community.beyondprof.com/pages/ecourse>

Want the best job search strategy to land an industry position? [Download](#) a FREE copy!



Yote Life App

Want to stay up to date on all programming news, events and activities? [Download](#) the **Yote Life** app and get access to real time information on all programming opportunities.

- Directory
- Campus Dining
- Coyote Athletics
- Schedules, Store and Tickets
- The Volante
- Maps and more...



<http://guidebook.com/app/YoteLife/guide/yoteflife/>

Stay Connected with USD

Campus programs are open to all students, including graduate students!

Do you want to be in the know with campus happenings? Stay connected with upcoming events by following/liking the USD pages below.

USD Campus Events - [LINK](#) | All USD Social Media - [LINK](#)

Popular Campus Facebook Sites:

[USD-Official Site](#) | [Muenster University Center](#)
[USD Student Activities](#) | [USD Campus Activities Board](#)

EDUCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Writing Center Workshops

This semester's workshops, sponsored by the Writing Center, the Departments of English, Art, Biology, History, and Media & Journalism, and the Academic Career & Planning Center, are free to all students, staff, and faculty at the University of South Dakota who wish to improve their writing skills. No registration is required. Join us! No registration is required. All workshops are from **7 – 8 p.m. in Delzell 110**.

Distance students, attend workshops live or view recordings by logging into the Online Writing Center in D2L, and, under Communications, selecting Collaborate Ultra. For live workshops (central standard time), on the Sessions screen, select your workshop. For recordings, select the Menu on the top left, followed by Recordings. Use the Filter feature to find recordings.

"Writing the LONG Paper"

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Learn about the process for writing the long paper. Topics include choosing a successful topic; applying strategies for research, note-taking, organization, composition, and revision; and avoiding common pitfalls in a long writing project. The workshop is useful for anyone writing an Honors or graduate thesis, a research essay of 15 or more pages, or any other long writing project. The presenter is Benjamin Hagen, Assistant Professor, Department of English.

"Writing about Poetry"

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Do you find poetry a bit of a mystery? This workshop sheds light on some of the literary terminology used to write about poetry and describes the process of writing an analysis of a poem. Students then apply the process of analysis to a poem. The presenter is Lisa Ann Robertson, Assistant Professor, Department of English.

"Flash Fiction: Time, Shape, & Narrative Modes"

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

In this workshop, we will read examples of flash fiction and examine the ways in which time and narrative modes shape stories. At the end of the session, you will have the opportunity to write your own flash fiction, using observations and insights gained from the workshop to help guide you. The presenter is Leah McCormack, Assistant Professor, Department of English.

"Chicago Documentation"

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

This workshop introduces students to the conventions of Chicago style citation and documentation. It covers two citation methods (footnote and end note) and the reference page. The workshop is for students in history, as well as other humanities and fine arts courses. The presenter is Sara Lampert, Assistant Professor, Department of History.

Do you need individualized help with your writing? Come to the Writing Center! We can help you with all of your writing assignments, from start to finish! We encourage appointments but welcome drop-ins, too.

For more information, contact the Writing Center by phone at 605-677-5626, by email at wcenter@usd.edu, or in person in room 133, I. D. Weeks Library. You can also visit us online at www.usd.edu/writingcenter.

Scholarship Opportunities

1. Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities (NEH)

The Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities (IATDH) program supports national or regional (multistate) training programs for scholars, humanities professionals, and advanced graduate students to broaden and extend their knowledge of digital humanities. Through this program NEH seeks to increase the number of humanities scholars and practitioners using digital technology in their research and to broadly disseminate knowledge about advanced technology tools and methodologies relevant to the humanities. The institutes may be a single opportunity or offered multiple times to different audiences. Institutes may be as short as a few days and held at multiple locations or as long as six weeks at a single site. For example, training opportunities could be offered before or after regularly occurring scholarly meetings, during the summer months, or during appropriate times of the academic year. The duration of a program should allow for full and thorough treatment of the topic.

Proposals are due by March 13, 2018 | [View](#) Details

2. SciComm 2018 - Registration is now open!

The Keynote Speakers: Dr. Jacqueline Gill from the Climate Change Institute and Joe Palca from NPR. A conference on Effective Science Communication. Hosted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

March 23-25, 2018 | Lincoln NE | [View](#) Details

3. Graduate Student Travel Awards

The Center for Brain & Behavior Research (CBBRe) and the USD Neuroscience & Nanotechnology Network (USD-N3) are now accepting applications for the Spring 2017 Graduate Student Travel Awards. Applications will be accepted to support graduate students' expenses for traveling to and presenting their research at a professional meeting. Students may apply for CBBRe funding, USD-N3 funding, or both, depending upon eligibility.

Now accepting applications! Deadline: March 1, 2018. | [View](#) Details

SGA GRADUATE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE CORNER

Don't forget to vote in the SGA elections next week, February 27-28 via the MyUSD Portal! For the first time since allocating specific seats for graduate students, SGA has grad students running to represent the graduate school, the law school and the med school!



■ Michelle Novak

A first-year doctor of audiology student, is running to represent the Graduate School.

■ Riley Paulsen

A first-year PhD basic biomedical sciences student specializing in neuroscience, is running to represent the Sanford School of Medicine.

■ Garrett Keegan

A first-year law student, is running to represent the Law School

If you have an issue that you would like addressed on campus, SGA meetings are held every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in MUC 216. You can also email Senator Petersen directly at Malachi.Petersen@coyotes.usd.edu or visit with a Senator in the SGA office located across the hall from the campus bookstore in the MUC.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring Important Dates

03/02/18	Spring Break Begins at 5 p.m.
03/12/18	Midterm
03/12/18	Second 8- Week Classes Begin
03/15/18	Last day to add/drop 2nd 8-week course with refund
03/30/18	Easter Recess Begins at 5 a.m.
04/02/18	Last day to drop full term course with "WD"
04/19/18	Last day to drop 2nd 8-week course with "WD"
04/27/18	Last Day of Classes
04/30/18	Final Exams Begin
05/05/18	Graduate Commencement 3 p.m. <i>*Graduate candidates should arrive 45 minutes prior to the start of commencement.</i>
05/09/18	Final Grades Due

May 2018 Graduation

04/27/18	Graduation Approval Form (with results of written and oral exams filed with the Graduate School Office)
04/27/18	Thesis/Dissertation submitted online to ProQuest
04/27/18	Complete survey of Earned Doctorates (Ph.D. students only)
05/05/18	Graduate Commencement Ceremony at Sanford Coyote Sports Center – 3 p.m.

August 2018 Graduation

03/23/18	Walk Early Form due in Graduate School Office (Subject to change)
08/10/18	Graduation Approval Form (with results of written and oral exams filed with the Graduate School Office)
08/10/18	Thesis/Dissertation submitted online to ProQuest
08/10/18	Complete survey of Earned Doctorates (Ph.D. students only)
05/04/19	Graduate Commencement Ceremony at Sanford Coyote Sports Center – TBA
	All candidates for graduation from the preceding summer and fall are invited to spring commencement unless Walk Early Form is submitted and approved.

For more information and access to all Graduate School forms, please visit [Graduate School Forms](#).

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS - VERMILLION

Great Strides Kick-Off, Education Session

March 8, 2018 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

March 14, 2018 | 12 - 1 p.m.

Kozak Room, Vermillion Public Library, 18 Church Street, Vermillion

Presenters: Jessica Foster, Hy-Vee Health & Wellness Specialist, Steph Warnock & Max Hansen, Anytime Fitness, Wendy Johnson, USD Wellness Center

****Great Strides registration deadline March 23, 2018**

2018 Great Strides Program

March 26, 2018 -May 6, 2018

For more information: 605.677.3617 | www.sanfordvermillion.org | [View](#) details online.

VCDC Business Luncheon with David Owen

Thursday, March 15, 2018 | 12 p.m. | Red Steakhouse

The Vermillion Area Chamber and Development Industry is pleased to share that their first Business Luncheon of the 2018 will feature David Owen, President and Chief Lobbyist of South Dakota Chamber of Commerce & Industry. Owen is considered a premier authority on legislative impacts on business in South Dakota, and will discuss the most pressing issues from this year's legislative session, as well as what they mean for businesses.

The luncheon will take place in the Ronan Room of Red Steakhouse on Thursday, March 15, 2018 at 12 pm. Seating is limited, and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets are \$15 for Vermillion Chamber members, \$20 for non-members, and can be obtained, until March 14, 2018 by calling the Chamber offices at 624-5571, or online [here](#).

For more information contact Lindsey Peterson, Chamber Director, at the VCDC offices at 605-624-5571.

[View](#) the online calendar for more events in the Vermillion area.

Please connect with us to receive reminders & updates about Graduate School events.



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If you are a person with a disability and need a special accommodation to fully participate, please contact Disability Services at 605-677-6389 48 hours before the event.