MEETINGS:

Anthropology Department Meeting 11:30 am, Tuesday, September 9, AnSo 2107

FOR ANTHROPOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENTS:

Welcome - new MA Graduate students: Aanika Carroll, Stephen Daniel, Kyla Hynes, Jessome McKenzie, Alison Torrie, Ashley De Young.

Welcome - new PhD Graduate students: Natalie Baloy, Sean Blanchard, Marina La Salle, Iain McKechnie, Oralia Gomez Ramirez, Rafael Wainer

*note – MA Graduate Students that finished their theses and have received approval from FoGs, will be announced in the next newsletter.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Sue Rowley promotion to Associate Professor with tenure has been approved by the Board of Governors.

Patrick Moore promotion to Associate Professor with tenure has been approved by the Board of Governors.

Charles Menzies has been elected to a two-year term on the Dean’s Advisory Committee on Aboriginal Issues.

Alexia Bloch has been awarded an HSS Faculty of Arts grant for $5,000 for research project “Putin’s Russia: State Sovereignty, Labor Migration, and the Politics of Race”

Gaston Gordillo has been awarded an HSS Faculty of Arts Grant for $5,000 for research project: “The Rise of Indigenous Political Identities among the Guaraní of Northwest Argentina”

David Pokotylo has been awarded an HSS Faculty of Arts grant for $5,000 for research project “Exploratory Archaeological test excavations at the Mpala locality, Kenya”.

Alexia Bloch has received a grant from Metropolis British Columbia for $15,000 to support research project “Citizenship, Community Engagement, and Recent Immigrants from the Former Soviet Union.”

Vinay Kamat has received a grant from the Michael Smith Foundation for $5,000.00 for research project “Outsourcing of clinical drug trials to India and the problem of therapeutic misunderstanding: An interdisciplinary study”

Kirsten Bell, Research Associate, has received a CIHR grant for research grant project “Rights, risks, and smoking: How ‘denormalisation’ mediates patient-provider interactions in primary health care setting”.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Welcome - new Head’s Secretary and Graduate Secretary, Kyla Hicks, AnSo 2124. Kyla comes from the department of Educational and Counselling Psychology and Special Education.
Welcome – new main office Secretary, Eleanore Asuncion, AnSo 2104. Eleanore is new to UBC. 
During September, Anthropology advising will be held in AnSo 2111, current Undergrad office. 
After September, AnSo 2113, current thesis library will be set up as Anthropology Advising office.

Bruce Miller will be a Visiting Professor at the University of Brasilia, Brasil for Fall 2008.

PUBLICATIONS:


REMININDERS:

TA training workshop for new TA’s. Friday September 5, 10:00am-2:00pm, AnSo 134. Training workshop: 10:00-12:00, Lunch provided: 12-1:00pm, CUPE 2278 union rep: 1:00pm-2:00pm.

Welcome lunch for 2008-09 postdocs, sessionals and research associates with faculty. Tuesday September 2, 12:30am-2:00pm, AnSo 205. Lunch will be provided.

The Faculty of Graduate Studies has announced the 2008 competition for the Killam Award for Excellence in Mentoring. The award, funded by the Killam Trust, is designed to recognize a faculty member who displays outstanding mentoring skills with graduate students. The Killam Award for Excellence in Mentoring consists of a $5,000 cash award and a commemorative certificate. Nominations are to be submitted to the Associate Dean of Scholarships and Graduate Research at the Office of the Dean of Faculty of Graduate Studies by 4:00pm on October 3, 2008. http://www.grad.ubc.ca/awards/index.asp?menu=018,004,000,000

“Learning Community” Brown Bag Seminar, every Friday (starting Sep. 12th), 3:00pm- 4:30 pm, ANTH 205. In each one of these informal meetings a faculty or graduate student will present a project in progress and share questions and ideas. September 12, presenter Patrick Moore, will discuss his recent summer fieldwork.

Nominations are being invited for student elections of 24 student representatives to participate in meetings and proceedings in the Faculty of Arts. Elections are held for 20 third & fourth year students (1 from each constituency), 2 representatives from first year and 4 representatives from second year. Completed nomination forms are to be submitted to the Dean of Arts Office (Buchanan A201) no later than 4pm on Friday September 12. For any questions, please contact Dana Fister, Executive Coordinator to the Associate/Assistant Dean for students at 604.822.6700.

THANKS:

Thanks and farewell to Samantha for all her hard work as the Anthropology Head secretary over the past two years.

Thanks and farewell to Devon for all her hard work as the Undergraduate Secretary for Anthropology and Sociology this past year.

Thanks to David Pokotylo for all of his hard work during his term as Department Head.