



Idaho State  
University

College of Science  
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## What's Happening in CoSE

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**New Year  
2023**



### Improving Vegetation Along Idaho's Roads and Highways Presentation at IMNH January 10

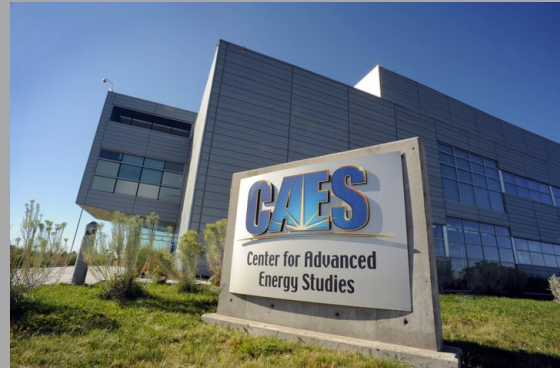
Joshua Grinath, assistant professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, and Erika Stewart, master's student, will discuss their **first growing season at three experimental sites along Interstate 15 in Eastern Idaho.**

At the sites, which represent three types of sagebrush steppe ecosystems in the area, Grinath

and his team of researchers have been working with the Idaho Transportation Department to find out how to make the land more hospitable to native plants and less so for invasive weeds, have increased fire resistance, and be an attractive habitat for pollinators like bees and butterflies.

## Center for Advanced Energy Studies Accepting Applications for 2023 REU Program

This 10-week program will enable 10 undergraduate students from Idaho's 2-year and 4-year institutions and universities from across the nation to work alongside faculty from Boise State University, Idaho State University, and the University of Idaho at the Center for Advanced Energy Studies headquarters located near the Idaho National Laboratory Research Campus in Idaho Falls. **Students will work on projects related to advanced manufacturing in collaboration with university faculty and scientists from INL.**



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## Nominations Sought for Distinguished Faculty

Nominations are being sought for **three of the annual awards for Idaho State University faculty** members. Those recognized will be honored during a reception in April and during the 2023 Commencement exercises.

Nominations for the Distinguished Teacher, Service, and Researcher are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 3.

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**We're looking for a Marketing and College Relations Assistant (CPI) to help tell the College's story!**

The pay is \$15/hour, and the commitment is 10-15 hours per week.

If you know of a student who may be interested, send them to **Handshake** for more details and to apply.

A graphic for a job posting. At the top, it says "WE'RE HIRING!" in large, bold, orange letters. Below that, it says "Marketing and College Relations Assistant (CPI)" in smaller black text. There is a bulleted list of responsibilities: "Assisting in creating content (images, video, text) for the College's website and social media channels", "Creating video content related to College department events, programs, etc.", "Assist in developing monthly email newsletters", "Assisting in writing news releases for College departments and programs", "Assist with College marketing activities, including planning/organizing/attending College events", and "Other duties as assigned". At the bottom, it says "Apply at Handshake" and "PAY: \$15/HR" in large, bold, orange letters. To the right of the pay information is the Idaho State University logo, which consists of a stylized "S" and "U" inside a square, with the text "Idaho State University" and "College of Science and Engineering" below it.

## Staff Professional Development Applications Open

Staff Council has opened its spring 2023 professional development applications. The

professional development award can help pay for registration, conferences, workshops, training, travel, and non-ISU classes.

All full-time Idaho State classified and non-classified staff who have completed at least six months of service can apply.

Applications are due by February 28, 2023, for activities between January 1, 2023, to June 30, 2023.

## CAES Accepting Applications for Summer Visiting Faculty Program

The Center for Advanced Energy Studies invites university-member faculty to submit applications for the sixth annual CAES Summer Visiting Faculty Program, which runs from May 15 - August 4, 2023. The primary objective of this 12-week program is to **support and guide faculty in the development of a submission-ready research proposal in collaboration with a researcher at Idaho National Laboratory**, who will serve as co-PI.

Applications are due January 27, 2023 at 5 p.m. MT.

## Dean's Excellence Fund Accepting Requests from Students

The College of Science and Engineering Dean's Excellence Fund is intended to support students in their journey through ISU. The Dean's Office is particularly interested in providing financial assistance to students who might not be able to enroll in or complete the semester because of short-term financial hardships. Students seeking such support should be in good academic standing.

If you know of a student who is in need of short-term support, please have them complete **this form**.

If you have questions about the Dean's Excellence Fund, contact Cam Brooks, Senior Director of Development, at [cameronbrooks@isu.edu](mailto:cameronbrooks@isu.edu) or (435) 592-2423.

**Dean's Excellence Fund Request  
Form**

## From Around ISU

### University Budget Town Hall Jan. 27

Please join us for a Budget Town Hall on **Friday, January 27 from 2 -3:30 p.m.** Finance staff will present a budget outlook for the coming

### Winter Holiday Timesheet Instructions

**Click here** for time entry deadlines for dates worked from December 11 through December 24, 2022, and time entry instructions for dates

### Staff Council Opens Staff Engagement Survey

In an effort to better support you, Staff Council has created an engagement survey. This survey will help

academic year, an overview of the budget development process, provide updates on budget projects and initiatives, and provide time for Q&A.

worked from December 25, 2022 through January 07, 2023.

Staff Council get a sense of your understanding of the role Staff Council plays at ISU and how we can improve our communication with you.

All completed survey submissions will be entered in a drawing for a \$50 ISU Bookstore credit. All submissions are due by Friday, January 20.

## Dates to Remember

Jan. 9	Spring classes begin
Jan. 16	Martin Luther King/Idaho Human Rights holiday (Monday - no classes)
Feb. 20	Early-8 week course grading opens
Feb. 20	Presidents' Day holiday (Monday - no classes)
Feb. 27 - Mar. 3	Mid-term week
Mar. 6	Late 8-week courses begin
Mar. 7	Early 8-week course grading closes at 5:00 pm
Mar. 20 - 24	Spring Break

## Upcoming Events in the College of Science and Engineering

For a complete list of CoSE events, check out the [College Event Calendar](#) and click an event to get more details. Updates can also be found on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#). To add events to the calendar, please contact the Administrative Assistants in your department. The university-wide calendar of events is available [here](#).

<b>Department/Program</b>
Geosciences
<b>Event</b>
Colloquium: Dry Wash Terrace

<b>Department/Program</b>
Biological Sciences
<b>Event</b>
Welcome Back Biology Social

Deposits in the Mancos Badlands in  
Western Grand County, Utah

Charlie Blount  
ISU Emeritus

**Details**

Wed, Jan 11  
4 - 5 p.m.

PS 108

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**Details**

Thu, Jan 12  
3:30 - 4 p.m.

**Department/Program**

Biological Sciences

**Event**

Biology Seminar Series: What is this  
and why should I attend?

**Details**

Thu, Jan 12  
4 - 5 p.m.

**Department/Program**

Geosciences

**Event**

Colloquium: Mt. Rainier and its Lahar  
and Mudflow Potential - Notification  
Strategy for Downstream Communities

Bill Burgel

**Details**

Wed, Jan 25  
4 - 5 p.m.

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## Help Us Share Your Accomplishments!

Our College's outstanding faculty, staff, and students achieve many notable research and professional accomplishments. In addition, our departments regularly have newsworthy advancements. We want to make sure those stories are shared publicly. Here are a few ways you can provide a news tip to help get the word out:

Use this [Story Submission Form](#) to send your news tip to the Office of Marketing and Communications.

Send an email to Logan McDougall ([loganmcdougall@isu.edu](mailto:loganmcdougall@isu.edu)) with a brief description of the news to be shared.

You are always welcome to create a draft story, submit it via the [Story Submission Form](#), or send it to Logan. The Office of Marketing and Communications and Logan will coordinate to get the story finalized and distributed to the media outlets/platforms that best tell the story.

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