


What's Happening in CoSE

RSVP for the 2023 Pillars of Achievement Reception!

We invite all faculty and staff to join us at the College's 2023 Pillars of Achievement reception.

The event honors our 2023 Professional Achievement Award and Outstanding Student Achievement Award winners, as well as our Outstanding Faculty Award winners. Join us as we celebrate their accomplishments and enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres on Friday, May 5, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Salmon River Suite at the Pond Student Union.

Please RSVP by April 28 to Darin Rieske, Administrative Assistant, at darinrieske@isu.edu. Please include the number of guests who will be attending with you.



Idaho State University

PILLARS OF ACHIEVEMENT

A reception honoring College of Science and Engineering Professional Achievement and Outstanding Faculty and Student Award winners

May 5
4 P.M.
POND STUDENT UNION
SALMON RIVER SUITE

Outstanding Student Award Winners
Austin Robinson, Natural Sciences
Claire Wasniewski, Natural Sciences
Cooper Dastrup, Physical, Computational, and Engineering Sciences

Outstanding Faculty Award Winners
Dr. Devalena S. Pradhan
Dr. Shannon Kobs Nawotniak

Professional Achievement Award Winner
Dr. Curtis Smith

RSVP BY APRIL 28

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Congrats, Dan LaBrier!

Recently, Dan LaBrier, assistant professor of nuclear engineering, was elected to the Faculty Senate.

LaBrier will serve as the representative for the Idaho Falls campus through 2025.

Free REAL STEM Open House May 2 at IMNH

Join Idaho State University's College of Education for a free night of science and learning at the REAL STEM Open House event! **Children ages 8-12 are invited to attend and become Junior Adventurers by completing several STEM activities around the Idaho Museum of Natural History.**

Learners and parents are also encouraged to check out the promotional materials for the REAL STEM learning website developed by students from the education and geology departments at ISU.



**College of Education
REAL STEM Open House**

Tuesday, May 2, 2023 | 5:30 - 7:30 PM
FREE for 8-12 year old children
 Idaho Museum of Natural History
 698 E. Dillon St. Pocatello, ID



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All activities are expected to take 30-45 minutes to complete and will include:

- Augmenting reality activity
- Rock walk around the ISU Quad
- Learning to draw like a scientist
- and more!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT BECKETT BODELL
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Open Enrollment Underway

The open enrollment period for benefit-eligible faculty and staff started Monday, April 24 and will end Friday, May 12.

Benefits changes made during this open enrollment period are effective for the FY24 benefits plan year (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024).



Kudos to civil engineering master's student Aashish Deo!

Recently, he was awarded a scholarship at the American Concrete Institute Intermountain Chapter's Excellence in Concrete Awards Dinner in Salt Lake City. His research with Mustafa Mashal, associate professor of civil engineering, is looking into ways fiber-reinforced polymers can enhance the strength of concrete structures.



Congrats to the Idaho State University ACM Student Chapter!

Recently, the group placed 5th in Wayne State University's Capture the Flag hackathon! The competition had 159 teams from across the globe, including Sweden, Germany, India, Bangladesh, and more.

New Facilities and Administration (F&A) Rates

Did you know that ISU recently received notification of new Facilities & Administration (F&A) rates from the federal government?

These rates are applied to externally sponsored projects as a way to recoup research-related administrative costs at ISU.

Such costs might include:

- Operations such as utility costs, security costs, and custodial costs.
- Common administrative functions such as payroll and purchasing.
- Sponsored project administration, research compliance, and support for faculty research development.

The new F&A rate is based on ISU's most recent audited financial statements and reflects the costs of providing research facilities and services to its sponsored projects (external contracts and grants).

From Around ISU

Candidate Open Forums for the Vice President for Student Affairs

Two finalists have been selected as part of the national search for Vice President of Student Affairs at Idaho State University. As part of the interview process, **all members of the campus community are invited to open forums to learn more about the candidate.**

Volunteer to Help at New Student Orientation

You'll get to spend an hour or two being a friendly face to our next Bengal generation — students who are feeling all of the excitement, thrill, anticipation...and, yes, some anxiety...about the next huge step in their lives.

Talk Saves Lives Suicide Prevention Training Friday May 5

Talk Saves Lives is the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's standardized, **90 minute program that provides participants with a clear understanding of this leading cause of death, including the most up-to-date research on suicide prevention, and what they can do in their communities to save lives.**

Participants will learn common risk factors and warning signs associated with suicide and how to keep themselves and others safe.

Cathy Gray Retirement Party

All are invited to attend a retirement party in honor of Cathy Gray, librarian for the Idaho Falls campus, May 3, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the ISU Idaho Falls campus library. Come celebrate Cathy's many years of dedicated service to ISU students, faculty, and staff.

A celebration for Cathy will also be held in Pocatello on May 26 with more details to come.

Idaho State Team Earns Top Honors at International Business Strategy Competition

For the eighth consecutive year, Idaho State University students have brought home honors in the annual International Collegiate Business Strategy Competition, earning the trophy for Best Presentation.

Construction Update

Follow-up construction efforts related to the Administration Building steam tunnel project will begin May 8 and last for approximately two weeks. This work will involve additional sidewalk repair, landscaping, and the repair of a steam tunnel cap that had caused drainage problems throughout the winter. The work will impact access to the north parking lot of the Administration Building.

Dates to Remember

May 1	Final Examinations (May 1 - May 5)
May 5	Spring classes end
May 6	Commencement (May & August 2023 graduates)
May 9	Late 8-week and full semester course grading closes at 5:00 pm
May 15	Classes begin for Early-4, Early-6, Early-8 and Full term
May 29	Early-4 final grading opens
May 29	Memorial Day holiday (no classes)

Upcoming Events in the College of Science and Engineering

For a complete list of CoSE events, check out the [College Event Calendar](#). 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](#).

<p>Department/Program</p> <p>All</p> <p>Event</p> <p>Pillars of Achievement Reception</p> <p>Details</p> <p>Fri, May 5 4 - 6 p.m.</p> <p>Salmon River Suite Pond Student Union</p>

<p>Department/Program</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>Event</p> <p>Commencement</p> <p>Details</p> <p>Sat, May 6 6 p.m. Reed Gym</p>

<p>Department/Program</p> <p>Chemistry</p>

Event

Summer Research BBQ

Details

Wed, Jun 14
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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) 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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