What's Happening in CoSE

Idaho State Professor Co-Authors Paper on Inclusivity on College Campuses

Recently, Devaleena Pradhan, assistant professor in the biological sciences department, helped co-author a paper outlining recommendations for “fostering racial equity in the US academic community.” The paper consolidates recommendations by experts at a diversity, equity, and inclusion panel discussion at the Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology’s 2022 annual meeting and other suggestions by specialists in the field into a single document.

We had an amazing time celebrating the achievements of our Outstanding Students, Outstanding and Distinguished Faculty, and Professional Achievement Award winners at the Pillars of Achievement Reception.

Thursday marked the premiere of Idaho Public Television's newest episode of Outdoor Idaho featuring Brandon Peecook, assistant professor in the biological sciences department, and L.J. Krumenacker, adjunct professor of geosciences.

The new episode sees them explore the Gem State's prehistoric past and can be streamed online or via the PBS app.

Last week, we had the chance to
host Mike Ward, CEO; Kugan Anandakugan, Senior Manager, Quality; Ray Lappan, Principal Manufacturing Engineer; and Jim Spears, Human Resources Manager, from LA Semiconductor for a tour of our engineering labs.

Field Research Photo/Video Opportunities Wanted

John and Jordon in Photo and Video Services are looking for opportunities to shoot photos/videos of faculty and students out in the field this summer conducting their research.

If you or your students are out in the field over the summer months, please add it to the Google Sheet. Including an item on the spreadsheet is not a guarantee that photos or videos will be shot. John and Jordon will attend as their schedule allows.

If you have any questions, email Logan McDougall, Executive Director of College Relations, at loganmcdougall@isu.edu.

CoSE Camping Trip Aug. 25 - 27

You are invited to join us for a camping trip at Grand Teton National Park from Friday, August 25 to Sunday, August 27. The weekend will be a great opportunity to relax and enjoy the outdoors with your colleagues and families.

The trip is open to all CoSE faculty and staff, as well as their families. We will be staying at Colter Bay Group Camping Sites 4 and 5, which can accommodate up to 70 people and 23 cars. You will be responsible for providing your own food and other camping gear.

Please RSVP by August 1 via the Google Form. Space is limited, so RSVP early. Please check out Grand Teton National Park website for more information.

From Around ISU

More Than 1,800 Attend Bengal Visit

Junior Firefighter Camp Set June 16 and 17

2023 Employee Engagement Survey
Bengal Visit Day 2023 was the largest recruitment event held on Idaho State University’s campus, with more than 1,800 attendees. Bengal Visit Day, ISU’s main spring recruitment event, is designed to capture the attention of potential students interested in finding the college that is right for them and for their aspirations.

Idaho State University Continuing Education and Workforce Training will hold its annual Jr. Firefighter Camp June 16-17, 2023.

In this one- and one-half day camp 13 to 18-year olds have the opportunity to experience what it is like to be a firefighter. From fire hose hookups to basic life-saving techniques, each student will get hands-on experience using the equipment the fire service uses and work with actual firefighters throughout the area.

Facilities Services Phone Number Change

The main phone number to Facilities Services has changed. This change has been updated in the directory. If you need to call Facilities Services for information on a work request or to report a maintenance issue, please call (208) 282-4086.

Teaching Online with Moodle ISU Workshop Starts May 15

Teaching Online with Moodle ISU is an online faculty workshop for designing and delivering online courses using Moodle ISU. All workshop activities are designed to guide you through creating a quality online course using best practices for online teaching. The 8-week workshop is offered through the Instructional Technology Resource Center (ITRC), is completely free to ISU faculty and starts on Monday, May 15. Registrations will be accepted through May 17.

Results

Last fall, an employee engagement survey was sent to all faculty, staff, graduate assistants, and student employees. This survey was developed to identify barriers to engagement, gather feedback from employees related to specific topics, and further our ability to leverage our University’s strengths. Engaged employees are vital to our success as an organization and our ability to help students better their life through education.

Similar to the survey conducted in 2018 and 2020, the Employee Engagement Task Force has compiled all of the recent survey results by employee category and created a high-level overview for the campus community.

Idaho State University Continues to Make Over 450 Classrooms ROAR

Over 450 P-12 teachers, coaches, support staff, principals, and superintendents across Idaho have added black and orange to their classrooms and spaces thanks to the Make Your Classroom ROAR campaign.

Dates to Remember

| 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)

June 12
Early-6 final grading opens

June 12
Middle-4 and Late-8 courses start

June 13
Early-4 final grading closes at 4:00 pm

June 19
Juneteenth Day (Observed Monday – no classes)

June 26
Early-8 and Middle-4 final grading opens

June 26
Late-6 courses start

June 28
Early-6 final grading closes at 4:00 pm

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.

Department/Program
Chemistry

Event
Summer Research BBQ

Details
Wed, Jun 7
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.