Looking for expertise?

The Dean's Office would like to help facilitate teaching and research collaboration in CoSE. If you are wondering if we have subject matter experts or research equipment in the College (or at ISU), please reach out to Logan McDougall, Executive Director of College Relations. Logan will work to establish connections. Logan can be reached by email at loganmcdougall@isu.edu or phone at (208) 282-4361.

Retirement information

If you are considering or planning to retire, please keep reading! If the Dean's Office knows of your retirement plans before March 10, 2022 we are able to keep all of the salary savings from your position in the College to use in support of faculty, staff, and students until your position is filled by a new hire. If we know after March 10, we only keep 50% of the savings. These salary savings allow us to meet important equipment, teaching, and facilities' needs that would otherwise go unmet. We are certainly not encouraging anyone to retire, but if you know your plans, please tell your Chair!

Faculty Evaluation Submission Dates

Here are the important deadlines for faculty evaluations:

Faculty to complete their evaluations and send to Chairs via TMS: January 29, 2022
Chairs to submit faculty evaluations and send to Dean's Office via TMS: March 5, 2022
Deans to submit faculty evaluations and send to Academic Affairs via TMS: March 26, 2022
**KN95 Mask Distribution**

Idaho State University has acquired a supply of KN95 masks for faculty and staff. KN95 masks can filter up to 95% of particles in the air and are made to create an airtight seal around the user’s face; thus are more effective than cloth face coverings. KN95s are disposable but can be reused multiple times safely by rotating their usage.

For more information, visit [isu.edu/news/2022-spring/kn95-mask-distribution-.html](isu.edu/news/2022-spring/kn95-mask-distribution-.html).

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**Spring Semester Class Modality**

Please be sure to consult with your department chair and Dean Snyder if you are considering making any modifications to your course instruction. Additionally, please communicate all changes in modality to your students as soon as possible. Students expect that their courses will be taught via the method of instruction that was listed on the course schedule. The sooner you communicate changes to students, the more time they have to modify their schedules based on the modality of their choice.

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**Idaho State University Hosts Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Events**

Idaho State University will continue its tradition of honoring Martin Luther King Jr. Day with a virtual presentation and a week of service and reflection.

For more info, visit [isu.edu/news/2022-spring/idaho-state-hosts-martin-luther-king-jr-day-events.html](isu.edu/news/2022-spring/idaho-state-hosts-martin-luther-king-jr-day-events.html).

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**Distinguished Faculty Nominations Sought**

Nominations are being sought for three annual awards for Idaho State University faculty members. Those recognized will be honored during a reception in April and during the 2022 Commencement exercises.

Details on how to nominate a deserving faculty member can be found at [isu.edu/news/2022-spring/distinguished-faculty-nominations-sought.html](isu.edu/news/2022-spring/distinguished-faculty-nominations-sought.html).

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**Staff Professional Development Award Applications Close January 31**

The award can be used to pay registration for workshops, conferences, non-ISU classes or training, and
travel expenses. To apply, you must be a full-time or professional ISU classified or non-classified staff member who has completed at least six months of service.

More information and the application can be found at isu.edu/staffcouncil/professional-development/.

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**Accessibility+ Toolkit Now in Moodle ISU**

The Accessibility+ Toolkit has been implemented to improve inclusion, equity, and access to course materials for all students. Details are available at isu.edu/news/2022-spring/accessibility-toolkit-now-in-moodle-isu.html.

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**CoSE in the News**

- ISU Chemistry Professor Honored with Jean'ne M. Shreeve NSF EPSCoR Research Excellence Award
- Idaho State University Researchers Awarded Over $240,000 in CAES Seed Grants
- Former Pocatello National Guard Armory Serves First Responders Again
- Honors Students help create R.E.A.L. STEM Website for Upper Elementary Students

**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.

1. Use this [Story Submission Form](#) to send your news tip to the Office of Marketing and Communications.
2. Send an email to Logan McDougall (loganmcdougall@isu.edu) with a brief description of the news to be shared.
3. You are always welcome to create a draft story and 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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**Dates to Remember**

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**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](#).

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| **Physics**       | Colloquium: Dr. Troy Unruh Idaho National Laboratory "Development of Innovative Sensors for Advanced Reactor Concepts" | Mon, January 24  
4pm - 5pm  
Zoom link:  
https://isu.zoom.us/j/85371751874 |
| **Geosciences**   | Colloquium: Dr. Jesslyn Starnes Idaho Geological Survey | Wed, January 26  
4pm - 5 pm  
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| **Biology**       | This is Biology: Speed Networking | Thurs, January 27  
12pm - 1pm  
Zoom link:  
https://isu.zoom.us/j/85130843066 |
| **Biology**       | This is Biology: Speed Networking | Thurs, January 27  
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| **Geosciences**   | Colloquium: Dr. Neil Foley University of Montana Western | Wed, February 2  
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