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News and Upcoming Events

Religion, Science and the Future, the 10th anniversary conference of the International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature and Culture, will be held January 14-17, 2016, at the University of Florida. The full call for proposals and papers is now available at http://www.religionandnature.com/society/pdf/ISSRNC_CFP-2016.pdf The lead UF organizer for this conference is Professor **Bron Taylor**, who also led the collaboration that founded the ISSRNC in 2006. We expect about 200 participants from around the world, and, as was the case the first time around, many hands will be needed to make the conference a success. If you are able to help, please contact Dr. Taylor at your earliest convenience. The ISSRNC is the foremost scholarly society focusing in an interdisciplinary way on the nexus religion, nature, and culture.

Presentations

Professor **Gwendolyn Zoharah Simmons** gave a talk on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at The Youth Training Program of Hawthorne, Florida's Black History Month Program. The Luncheon Event was held Saturday, February 21, 2015, in the banquet facilities of Hawthorne's Trinity United Methodist Church, at 11:00am.

Alumni News

Leah Sarat (PhD Americas, 2010) has been invited to speak at a symposium on "La Frontera de las Identidades" (The Border of Identities) in Cd. Juarez and Casas Grandes, Chihuahua (Mexico), on February 25-27, 2015. More information about the symposium: http://muyjuarense.com/25-27-simposio-la-frontera-de-las-identidades-cj-cg/

Deadlines

The applications for Summer 2015 Travel Support for Graduate Students, for the period May 1 – August 31, 2015, are due in the Dean's office by 4:00pm on Monday, March 16, 2015. The application is available on the web at <u>http://www.clas.ufl.edu/forms/index.html</u>. Since the graduate studies committee will have to evaluate and rank the applications before forwarding them to CLAS, please submit a copy of your application by email to Dr. Hackett by 4:00pm, Wednesday, March 11, 2015. The department also offers matching support. In order to apply for these funds, you will need to have applied for support from CLAS, International Studies, GSA, or any other external source. The application for departmental travel funds can be found at http://sites.clas.ufl.edu/religion/files/Religion_Travel_Support_Application.pdf