Upcoming CURCE Events

10/5-10/9 CURCE Virtual Fall Fair
10/29 Alumni Panel
11/17 Applying for Summer Research


WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE?

TEDxSunyAlbany - Page 2
Virtual Research Opportunities - Page 3 & 4
Virtual Conferences - Page 5
CURCE Virtual Fall Fair - Page 6 & 7
Additional Opportunities - Page 8
This past year our world has seen pain in many forms: a global pandemic, climate change, racial injustice, religious persecution, war, famine, and unfortunately many other adversaries that look to divide us. In many ways this vast wave of suffering was unexpected yet through it all we have witnessed that humanity can also surprise. Despite the odds, despite the darkness, we rise. Do you want to spread great ideas? You want to share in that timeless moment where the world falls away as creativity and academia come together in harmony. This April join us at TEDxUAlbany to discuss just how we rise.

TED, an acronym for “technology, entertainment, and design,” is a global community and event forum, welcoming people from every discipline and culture. TEDx satellite events are licensed and branded by TED offering communities such as UAlbany and the Greater Capital region the opportunity to showcase the “ideas worth spreading” of our faculty, students, alumni, and community members. This event will be the largest TEDx event yet in the capital region with the opportunity for the talks featured and uploaded to the TED platform to potentially go viral.

The series theme resurrection explores and celebrates the ways in which regardless of the powers that seek to destroy we find ways to rise. “When we resurrect an idea, a person, a myth, or even a planet, we batter down that wall between life and death”*

In addition to the TEDx talks, our community will make a bid at the Guinness Book of World Records’ longest Zoom community reading record with a reading of Toni Morrison’s Beloved.

Looking to get involved in this event? Department of English is spearheading this initiative along with various WCi faculty that will be integrating TED talks into their curriculum in hopes to empower students to be informed members of the organizing team and in some cases, speakers, performers or presenters. Interested in social media and advertising? Have graphic design or film skills? Want to assist in the planning and execution of this incredible event? For more information please contact Dr. Cristina C. James at ccjames@albany.edu. Be on the lookout for the launch of TEDxUAlbany’s official website!

*from Phill Arensberg, a Seattle-based writer and actor
Maeve Kane is an assistant professor in the department of history who conducts research here at the University at Albany. Kane’s work uses social network analysis of marginalized groups in order to gain a better picture of early America and the early modern Atlantic world. She is currently seeking interested undergraduates who wish to work with her. Undergraduates conducting research with Kane will gain experience in introductory historical work by working with handwritten/print documents, doing basic data management and data cleaning, and learning basic programming. Students of all majors are welcomed to inquire about this opportunity. Humanities/liberal art majors who are interested in learning computer programming or computer science majors who are interested in working with data for real world applications may be especially interested in this opportunity. Kane highly recommends getting involved with undergraduate research opportunities like this one. She cites how research experiences can allow students to apply what they have learned in class, acquire new skills, and explore a potential career path.

If you are interested or would like more information, feel free to reach out to Maeve Kane at mkane2@albany.edu.

"Undergrad research is a great opportunity to try out new skills, apply the skills from your classes to a real-world problem, and test out career paths!" - Maeve Kane
Mustafa Aksoy is an assistant professor in the department of electrical engineering and computer engineering. Aksoy works with the Microwave Remote Sensing Laboratory (MRSL) here at the University at Albany. The MRSL uses emission data to retrieve parameters that can help with the understanding of thermal and physical processes on Earth and other planetary systems. His team in particular focuses on monitoring Earth’s cryosphere (which is vulnerable to climate change), and exploring the lunar south pole (a landing site for the future Artemis Program). He is currently looking to work with undergraduates interested in voluntary experience, academic credit, or a stipend. Undergraduates working under Aksoy will run software-based electromagnetic simulations and process this data. They will also present any important research results during lab meetings and through written reports. Aksoy welcomes students who have basic computer skills and a strong background in mathematics and physics to inquire about this opportunity. Students majoring in Engineering, Physics, Computer Science, and Earth Sciences with a 3.5 GPA or higher are encouraged to reach out to Aksoy. Aksoy strongly encourages students to participate in undergraduate research projects, such as this, as it promotes the development of critical thinking skills. Further, research gives students the opportunity to shape their future careers by exploring cutting edge science.

If you are interested or would like more information, feel free to reach out to Mustafa Aksoy at aksoy@albany.edu.

"Students are given the opportunity to explore cutting-edge science and technology, which helps them shape their future career, in industry or in graduate school" - Mustafa Aksoy

Research opportunities like these are incredibly valuable, as they build upon what students learn in the classroom. This is especially true now that our classroom experiences may be less hands on than normal. To find other experiences like these, self-enroll in the CURCE Blackboard community page.

Enroll in the CURCE Community Blackboard Page
1. Log in to your UAlbany Blackboard account
2. In the upper right-hand corner, click “Community”
3. Find the “Organization Search” function, and search “CURCE”
4. Hover over our “Organization ID” labeled “NS-2020-Undergrad-Ed-Curce” and click “Enroll”
Biomedical Research Symposium For Underrepresented Scholars

DEADLINE: November 4, 2020
CLICK HERE TO REGISTER TO ATTEND

Biomedical Research Symposium For Underrepresented scholars

DEADLINE: FRIDAY OCTOBER 9, 2020 BY 5:00PM
Abstracts welcome & FREE registration
Click here for application to present

APSA South Regional Meeting
OPEN CALL FOR ABSTRACTS UNTIL 9/25
free to register / present
Click Here
VIRTUAL FALL FAIR WEEK

OCTOBER 5-9

ON THE CURCE BLACKBOARD COMMUNITY PAGE

1. Log in to your UAlbany Blackboard account
2. In the upper right-hand corner, click “Community”
3. Find the “Organization Search” function, and search “CURCE”
4. Hover over our “Organization ID” labeled “NS-2020-Undergrad-Ed-Curce” and click “Enroll”

HAVE QUESTIONS? COME CHAT WITH...

- Art and Art History
- CEHC
- CIEGS
- Confucius Institute
- Cognition and Language Laboratory
- English Honors/Creative Writing/The Writing Center
- Graduate School
- Indigenous Community Network
- Information Security & Digital Forensics
- Jennings Anthropological Demography Lab
- National Center for Security & Preparedness
- New York State Senate
- NYS Writers Institute
- Department of Physics
- Pre-Health
- Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy
- School of Public Health
- Semester in Washington
- Sociology
- UAlbany Emergency Management Team
- University Libraries

LOG IN ANY TIME OCTOBER 5-9
LIVE ZOOM SESSIONS AVAILABLE (CHECK SCHEDULE ON BLACKBOARD)
VIRTUAL FALL FAIR
OCTOBER 5 - 9
GET THE MOST OUT OF IT

1. Self enroll in the CURCE Blackboard Page
2. Check out the sub-pages for the Fall Fair on MONDAY 10/5
3. Subscribe to the Discussions Boards you want to get updates from
4. Attend LIVE Zoom sessions throughout the week!

5. Engage with the faculty, staff & researchers throughout the week
6. Learn more about the faculty members you are interested in working with.
7. Start the applications (if any) and connect with your academic advisor to discuss registration options for Spring 2021 to prepare!
Feeling Disconnected or Dorm bound?
Need a breath of fresh air, a place to ground yourself or unwind?

Explore the Green Spaces Near YOU!
Check out the AMAZING green spaces on campus AND take some photos, you could win FREE Sustainability gear. Any photos you take send them to ungreen@albany.edu, to be considered by a panel of judges in the UAlbany Green Space Photo Contest. Also when posting use the @unalbanygreen and #UAlbanyGreenSpace. Prizes include reusable utensils, lunch bag and sandwich bags, metal straws, solar powered phone charger, t-shirts and more!!

Photo Contest Rules:
Photos must be taken by you, the person submitting photo to social media platforms.
Three photos per participant.
Photos can be from any green space in our Capital Region.
Photos for contest must be submitted by November 1st.
Winners will be announced the week before Thanksgiving Break, followed by recognition and prizes being awarded.
We encourage students to capture nature, people, themselves, unique perspectives and to get creative with the natural spaces available to YOU!

OPPORTUNITIES

NYS SENATE (UUNI 391)
NYS ASSEMBLY (UUNI 392)
INTERNSHIPS

ONLINE Applications accepted
SEPT. 7 - OCT. 16, 2020
Selected interns will engage in New York State’s dynamic legislative process during Spring 2021 while concurrently working towards an in-depth policy research paper. This is a FULL-TIME, 15 credit internship and will receive a biweekly stipend.

Information on applicant requirements and application materials can be found online
Senate: https://bit.ly/NYSenateIntern

Questions?
Contact the Campus Liaison Officer, Casey Kohler via email: ckohler@albany.edu or ugeducation@albany.edu

Application Workshop:
UUNI 391 & UUNI 392

9/29/2020 4:30 PM EST
10/5/2020 7:40 PM EST
Join us on Zoom with your partially completed application materials for a hands-on workshop to answer all of your questions and learn how to prepare your best possible application
Zoom link - https://albany.zoom.us/j/95841541634

ONLINE Applications accepted
SEPT. 7 - OCT. 16, 2020
Selected interns will engage in New York State’s dynamic legislative process during Spring 2021 while concurrently working towards an in-depth policy research paper. This is a FULL-TIME, 15 credit internship and will receive a biweekly stipend.

Information on applicant requirements and application materials can be found online
Senate: https://bit.ly/NYSenateIntern

Questions?
Contact the Campus Liaison Officer, Casey Kohler via email: ckohler@albany.edu or ugeducation@albany.edu

Feeling Disconnected or Dorm bound?
Need a breath of fresh air, a place to ground yourself or unwind?

Explore the Green Spaces Near YOU!
Check out the AMAZING green spaces on campus AND take some photos, you could win FREE Sustainability gear. Any photos you take send them to ungreen@albany.edu, to be considered by a panel of judges in the UAlbany Green Space Photo Contest. Also when posting use the @unalbanygreen and #UAlbanyGreenSpace. Prizes include reusable utensils, lunch bag and sandwich bags, metal straws, solar powered phone charger, t-shirts and more!!

Photo Contest Rules:
Photos must be taken by you, the person submitting photo to social media platforms.
Three photos per participant.
Photos can be from any green space in our Capital Region.
Photos for contest must be submitted by November 1st.
Winners will be announced the week before Thanksgiving Break, followed by recognition and prizes being awarded.
We encourage students to capture nature, people, themselves, unique perspectives and to get creative with the natural spaces available to YOU!

Wellness Workshops & Health Screenings for Men of Color:
Saturday, October 24, 2020
10:00AM to 3:00PM
Address: 160 Central Ave, Albany, NY 12206

Looking for students to volunteer for set up, tear down, cleaning, welcome table, décor and more!!
Interested?
Contact Micky Jimenez
mjimenez@promesa.org

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES & PROGRAMS