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EVENTS +

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WHY GLOBAL HEALTH NETWORKS MATTER

MAY 20: GLOBAL HEALTH WEBINAR
CITIES, CLIMATE CHANGE, & HEALTH

ICYMI: 2025 GLOBAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8 ▼

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NETWORKSMATTER

CALS Global

Virtual Keynote Speaker:
Apoorva Mandavilli,
The New York Times

Fireside Chat Panel:
*White-nose Syndrome
in Bats Connection
to One Health*

Moderated by:
GHI Director Jorge Osorio
with high-level field experts

**April 8, 2025
4-8pm**

Discovery Building
330 N. Orchard St.
A Hybrid Event
Faculty, Staff, Students, Partners, &
Community Welcome

**Registration
& poster info:**



**Enjoy engaging speakers,
poster presentations,
networking, & refreshments!**

**20th
Global Health
Symposium**

University of Wisconsin-Madison
April 8, 2025

On Tuesday, April 8, UW–Madison’s [Global Health Institute](#) (GHI), [Office of Global Health in the School of Medicine and Public Health](#), and [CALS Global](#) hosted the 20th Global Health Symposium: [Why Global Health Networks Matter](#). The event took place at the Discovery Building and featured virtual keynote speaker, Apoorva Mandavilli, posters from across campus showcasing global health projects, and a fireside chat panel discussing, *White-nose Syndrome in Bats Connection to One Health*.

Visit [GHI's website](#) to find photos from the night and a video recording of the fireside chat panel session and keynote.

REGISTER FOR GHI'S MAY 20 WEBINAR, "CITIES, CLIMATE CHANGE, & HEALTH" ▼



 **Global Health Institute**
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

CITIES, CLIMATE CHANGE, & HEALTH

GLOBAL HEALTH TUESDAY WEBINAR
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 9-10AM (CST)



Linda Vakunta
Deputy Mayor,
City of Madison



Eduardo Santana Castellón
Director, Museum of
Environmental
Sciences, and
Emeritus Professor,
University of
Guadalajara



Marta Rofin Serra
Founder & CEO,
Healthy Cities;
Director, "Urban
Planning & Health,"
Polytechnic
University of
Catalonia



Carlos Moreno
Professor,
IAE Paris Sorbonne,
University of Paris;
Author,
*The 15-Minute City:
A Solution to
Saving Our Time
& Our Planet*

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9-10am (CST), when Linda Vakunta, Deputy Mayor of Madison, moderates a timely conversation on **Cities, Climate Change, and Health**.

Vakunta leads the discussion with Eduardo Santana Castellón, Director, Museum of Environmental Sciences, and Emeritus Professor, University of Guadalajara; Marta Rofín Serrà, Founder & CEO, Healthy Cities, and Director, “Urban Planning & Health,” Polytechnic University of Catalonia; and Carlos Moreno, Professor, IAE Paris Sorbonne, University of Paris, and Author, *The 15-Minute City: A Solution to Saving Our Time & Our Planet*.

[Click here to learn more](#). Please register here using this [Zoom registration link](#).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

APRIL

TODAY: Registration is open for **TODAY'S, April 15th at 7pm** UW NOW Livestream Event: *What's at Stake with Federal Funding for UW Research*, moderated by Mike Knetter, from the Wisconsin Foundation and Alumni Association.

Speakers include [Anjon Audhya, PhD](#), senior associate dean for basic research, biotechnology and graduate studies in the School of Medicine and Public Health; [Dorota Grejner-Brzezinska, PhD](#), vice chancellor for research at UW–Madison; and [Sterling Johnson, PhD](#), professor in the Department of Geriatrics and Gerontology and the Jean R. Finley Professor of Geriatrics and Dementia, associate director for both the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Institute and the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Disease Research Center. A recording will be available on the [Wisconsin Alumni Association YouTube channel](#). Click [here for more info](#).

TOMORROW: Mark your calendar for a Wisconsin in Washington (WiW) Program information session. Students may learn more about the WiW Program, including interning in Washington DC, completing classwork in domestic & international issues, and connecting with UW alumni & professionals. It will take place **TOMORROW, April 16, 10-11am**, at the Study Abroad Resource Center, 3rd Floor of the Red Gym. [Registration](#) (NetID required) is encouraged, but not required. [Find more information on the WiW Internship Program here](#).

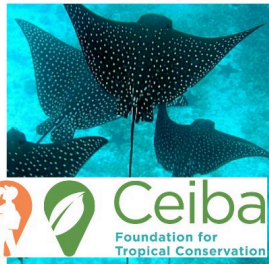
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Galapagos ~ Andes ~ Amazon Spring Semester 2026

Program Highlights

16 credits (11 honors)

- **Explore** the Amazon Rainforest & Galapagos Islands
- **Study** amazing wildlife
- **Intern** with a conservation organization
- **Immerse yourself** in Ecuadorian culture



Wed, April 16, 2025
Birge Hall Room 158
4:30 pm CST

Can't make it in person? Register to join on Zoom by scanning below!



Apply by Oct 3, 2025



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Free pizza at info session!



TOMORROW: Spring 2026 Tropical Conservation Semester Information Session: This program takes students on a hands-on conservation journey through Ecuador's Andes, Amazon, and Galápagos Islands. To help spread the word, the Ceiba Foundation is hosting an Information Session **TOMORROW, April 16, at 4:30pm** in Birge Hall, Room 158, and via Zoom. [Click here to register on Zoom.](#)

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The Participants, Researchers, and Partners who
MOVE MEDICINE FORWARD.

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9am-4:30pm, at the Goodman Community Center in Madison. The event will bring together the “Voices of Clinical Research,” participants, researchers, industry partners, academic health centers, students, and community organizations who collectively work to advance clinical research in Wisconsin and beyond. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)



21-29: Save the date for Earth Fest, **April 21-29**. Earth Fest at the University of Wisconsin–Madison will bring together all things environment and sustainability and unite our campus over the one resource and interest we all share: our world. Earth Fest is for all members of the Badger community: from students to alumni, faculty to friends, and seasoned experts to future Badgers. [Click here for more info.](#)

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**UW MADISON
CANNABIS
CONFERENCE**

April 22, 2025

9am-5pm

Union South, Madison WI

Health & Medicine
Business & Design
Policy & Regulation
Agriculture



Schedule and Registration

22: The first annual UW–Madison Cannabis Research Conference, *"From Seed to Society: Cultivating Connections,"* is on **Tuesday, April 22, 9am-5pm**, at Union South. This inaugural event is presented by the UW College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, School of Human Ecology, School of Pharmacy, Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention, and Global Health Institute. The UW–Madison Cannabis Conference is a dynamic, multi-disciplinary event aimed at expanding awareness, fostering knowledge exchange, and bridging gaps in cannabis research, education, and policy. Featuring four key sessions—Health & Medicine, Agriculture, Business & Design, and Policy & Regulation—the conference brings together experts, industry leaders and policymakers to explore the latest developments in cannabis and industrial hemp. Please see the [website](#) for information about speakers and themes. [Registration](#) is free and open to UW–Madison faculty, staff, and researchers passionate about or working in the rapidly evolving cannabis landscape.

23-24: The theme for the 7th convening and two day, in-person, *Our City of Nations* conference at the [Milwaukee School of Engineering](#) on **Wednesday and Thursday, April 23-24**, is *Stronger Together: 10 Years of OCON and an Eye on the Future*. Conference registration and active participation requests are now open. [Click here to register](#).

25: The 2025 UW–Madison Undergraduate Symposium will be held from **9:30am to 4:15pm on Friday, April 25**, at Union South. The annual Undergraduate Symposium showcases undergraduate creativity, achievement, research, service-learning, and community-based research from all areas of study at UW–Madison including the humanities, arts, biological sciences, physical sciences, social sciences, and computer data and information sciences. [Click here to learn more](#).

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Real Talk: Navigating Life Post Graduation

Tuesday, April 29 | 4–6 PM
Memorial Union (See TITU)

Join us for a presentation from the School of Human Ecology Advising and Career Center and a panel discussion from recent UW–Madison graduates.

*Free pizza and notebook portfolios
(first come, first served)*



29: Join UHS Mental Health Services and the School of Human Ecology Advising & Career Center on **Tuesday, April 29, from 4-6pm**, for a presentation and panel discussion with recent UW–Madison alumni about their transition from college to life after graduation. Get tips and insights to help you navigate your next chapter. Free pizza and notebook portfolios (while supplies last). [Click here to learn more.](#)

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Toast to the Tassels: Celebrating Current & Future Friendships

Wednesday, April 30 | 4–6PM
Wolf Teaching Kitchen, Bakke

Join UHS Mental Health Services for
mocktail making and learn how to
build community post-graduation.
Free mocktail recipe book!



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30: Join UHS Mental Health Services on **Wednesday, April 30, from 4-6pm**, for a mocktail and mingle celebration! Make your own mocktails and learn practical strategies to stay connected and build new friendships after graduation. Exclusive mocktail recipe book giveaway! [Click here to learn more.](#)

MAY

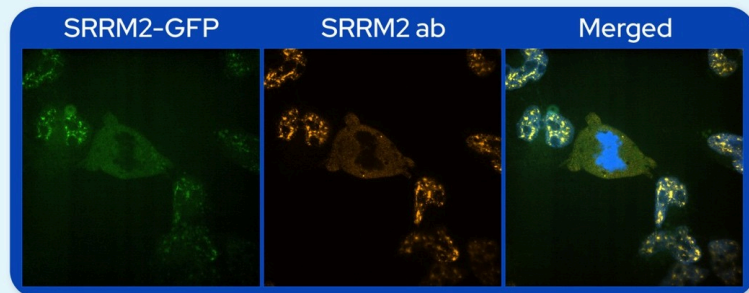
Special Seminar

Jeffrey Toretsky

Professor and Peds Hematology-Oncology Division Director
Georgetown University



Creating a drug for an 'undruggable' oncogene in Ewing sarcoma



Thursday, May 1, 2:00 p.m.

Room 1211, DeLuca Biochemical Sciences Building

Please contact Brian Fox (bgfox@wisc.edu) with any questions.



Department of Biochemistry
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL & LIFE SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

UW-Madison occupies ancestral Ho-Chunk land, a place the Ho-Chunk Nation has called Teejop since time immemorial.

1: Join the Department of Biochemistry for a Special Seminar by Jeffrey Toretsky on **Thursday, May 1, at 2pm**, with the topic of "Creating a drug for an 'undruggable' oncogene in Ewing sarcoma." [Click here to learn more.](#)

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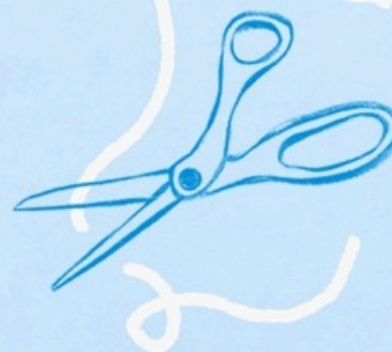
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Caps & Conversations

Thursday, May 1 | 4–6 PM
Wheelhouse Studios

Join UHS Mental Health Services to decorate your graduation cap and for a discussion about transitioning to post-grad life!

Art materials will be provided at no cost.
 Don't forget your cap!



1: Join UHS Mental Health Services and Wheelhouse Studios on **Thursday, May 1, from 4-6pm**, to decorate your graduation cap and engage in a facilitated discussion about coping with transition and change. Art materials will be provided at no cost. Don't forget your cap! [Click here to learn more.](#)

15: The 2025 Teaching and Learning Symposium builds on rich tradition by providing an opportunity to reflect on enduring values and discuss challenges and opportunities. This year's theme, "Engage and Inspire: The New College Classroom," highlights innovative teaching practices and technologies. Join in person on **Thursday, May 15**, at Union South. You can also join via livestream. [Click here to learn more.](#)

20: We welcome you to join us for the Global Health Institute's Global Health Tuesday Webinar on **Tuesday, May 20, from 9-10am (CST)**, when Linda Vakunta, Deputy Mayor of Madison, moderates a timely conversation on **Cities, Climate Change, and Health**. [Click here to learn more](#) (see story above for more info).

DEADLINES ▼

ROLLING

Enroll in Fall 2025 Course: Epidemiology and Global One Health, **POP HLTH 810:** 2 Credits; (October 20 – December 10; last 7 weeks of the semester); Monday and Wednesday: 1:20-3pm; WARF room 726 (Observatory and Walnut). This course examines the intersection of human, animal, and environmental health within the context of the Anthropocene—the era in which human activity is the dominant influence on climate and the environment. Drawing on the One Health framework, we will explore how globalization, ecological change, and human activity contribute to health disparities, the emergence of infectious diseases, and shifts in global public health priorities. Email the Instructor, **Dr. Johnny Uelmen** (uelmen@wisc.edu) to learn more!

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20: Letters of Intent for the Global Oncology Grant are due **Sunday, April 20, by 5pm CST**. This annual award seeks to support innovative projects by new investigators, and well-established researchers keen on global oncology. This award will support **one** 1-year seed/pilot grants of \$15,000. A major focus of this award is on developing long-term relationships and collaborations that lead to sustained meaningful output. Projects should explain how this pilot/seed award will serve as a catalyst for growth including developing/strengthening long term collaborations with LMIC partners, and potential for future funding. [Click here to submit your Letter of Intent.](#)

30: Applications for the UW Distinguished Research Fellows Program are due **Wednesday, April 30**. The UW Distinguished Research Fellows Program is designed to support outstanding postdoctoral trainees in interdisciplinary research areas related to [RISE-AI](#), [RISE-THRIVE](#), and [RISE-EARTH](#). The intent of this program is to support exceptional emerging scholars in collaborative research that spans two distinct units (schools, colleges and centers) at UW–Madison, and which synergizes distinct disciplinary approaches. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

30: Applications for the Visiting Poverty Scholars Program are due **Wednesday, April 30**. The program funds up to four poverty scholars per year to visit the Institute for Research on Poverty or any one of its [U.S. Collaborative of Poverty Centers \(CPC\)](#) partners for one week in order to interact with its resident faculty, present a poverty-related seminar of their choosing, and become acquainted with staff and resources. Applicants must be PhD-holding, U.S.-based poverty scholars at any career level who are from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

30: Applications for the Professional Development Training Series on Poverty and Economic Mobility Research are due **Wednesday, April 30**. Proposals are invited from individuals who will be enrolled in a PhD program in the 2025–2026 academic year at a U.S. university. To be eligible, applicants must either be from an economically disadvantaged background or currently attending a university that is not designated as an R1. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

+ Tangled Up In Blue A Cappella's Spring 2025 Concert: On **Thursday, April 24, at 7pm**, UW–Madison's premier treble voices a cappella group, Tangled Up In Blue (TUIB) will be performing their Spring 2025 Concert at Music Hall. [GHI Communications Intern Kendall Buehl](#) is a member, and encourages all to experience a night filled with catchy tunes! Similar to how GHI convenes different global health units across campus, TUIB connects students from across campus pursuing different academic interests. Several members are in the process of completing the [Undergraduate Global Health Certificate](#). If interested, [click here to learn more about the event and tickets](#). Follow TUIB on Instagram [@tuibacappella](#) for more information.

+ ICYMI: From *Psychology Today*: "What if you could completely transform how you see yourself in a matter of hours, then continue to deepen these insights with a few minutes a day of practice? When Sarah, a 42-year-old physician, found herself unable to sleep and constantly anxious after years of high-pressure work, she turned to an unexpected combination of practices." [Simon Goldberg](#), Associate Professor of Counseling Psychology and Core Faculty at the Center for Healthy Minds at UW–Madison is a co-author of this piece. [Click here for the full story.](#)

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[Madison](#) says she sometimes reflects on the potential effect a few mindful seconds could have on the lives of incarcerated people. "I often ask them, 'If you could go back [and use mindfulness] for just 6-10 seconds, would it have changed your life?' Mejchar is a formerly incarcerated community research partner at the Center for Healthy Minds (CHM) who provides peer support to formerly and currently incarcerated people throughout Wisconsin." [Click here for the full story.](#)

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