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GHI congratulates all graduates on their academic accomplishments! [Check out the UW–Madison story and photo gallery to see happy moments captured.](#)

## "VOICES OF GHI" SOCIAL VIDEO SERIES LAUNCH ▼

**Voices of GHI**

UW-MADISON GLOBAL HEALTH INSTITUTE'S  
SOCIAL VIDEO SERIES

*Asking questions about relevant health topics  
and hearing from GHI Collaborators*

All answers/opinions shared by the interviewees are their own.

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GHI launched its new media video series, "[Voices of GHI](#)," on Mother's Day, to honor Women's Health Month. Videos will be posted on GHI's social media accounts, website, and [YouTube Channel](#) through the end of May.

The series showcases perspectives and insights from members of the Global Health Institute's (GHI) board of visitors, advisory committee, staff, students, partners, and collaborators, on a variety of public health issues affecting communities both locally and globally.

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**ONE WEEK AWAY!**  
**MAY 20TH GLOBAL HEALTH TUESDAY WEBINAR:**  
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**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 Serrà**  
Founder & CEO,  
Healthy Cities;  
Director, "Urban  
Planning & Health,"  
Polytechnic  
University of  
Catalonia



**Carlos Moreno**  
Professor,  
IAE Paris-Sorbonne,  
Université Paris 1  
Panthéon-Sorbonne  
Author,  
*The 15-Minute City:  
A Solution to  
Saving Our Time  
& Our Planet*

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For more information

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**.

Vakunta leads the discussion with Eduardo Santana Castellón, Director, Museum of Environmental Sciences, and Emeritus Professor, University of Guadalajara; Marta Rofin Serrà, Founder & CEO, Healthy Cities, and Director, "Urban Planning & Health," Polytechnic University of Catalonia; and Carlos Moreno, Professor, IAE Paris-Sorbonne, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, 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](#).

## EVENTS+ GOES MONTHLY DURING SUMMER

As the summer approaches, GHI's newsletter, Events+, will be going monthly. We will resume our weekly distribution as the new semester approaches.

Have a great summer and be sure to check out our website & socials to stay in touch.



**MAY**

**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.](#)



**15-16:** Join the BioPharmaceutical Technology Center Institute **May 15-16** for two transformative days as they explore "Bridging Worlds: The Confluence of Culture, Science, and Spirituality." GHI is a sponsor of this event. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)

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# Let's Get Growing: Seeds, Stories & Solidarity

MAY 21 • 5 - 7 PM

**Aubergine (Willy Street  
Co-op Community Space)**  
1226 Williamson St,  
Madison, WI 53703

## PANELISTS:



### Avexnim Cojti

(Maya K'iche')

**Cultural Survival,**  
Director of Programs



Moderator

### Dr. Claudia Calderón

**Plant & Agroecosystem  
Sciences, UW-Madison**



### David Paredes

**National Network in  
Defence of Food  
Sovereignty in Guatemala  
(REDSAG),  
President**



### Cherie Thunder

(Menominee)

**Menominee Department  
of Agriculture and Food  
Systems,  
Tribal Wild Rice Research  
Coordinator**

*This event is free and  
open to the public*

Join us for an inspiring evening  
bringing together individuals  
dedicated to protecting and  
promoting seed sovereignty and  
Indigenous seed knowledge.

We'll enjoy light food by  
**Guatemalan Chef Myra Guevara**  
and drinks to share.



**21: Join the 4W Initiative on Wednesday, May 21, from 5-7pm, for "Let's Get Growing: Seeds, Stories & Solidarity" at**

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commodification of life. Speakers from Guatemala and the Menominee Nation will share stories rooted in land, culture, and care. Featured voices include Avexnim Cojti (Maya K'iche', Cultural Survival), David Paredes (REDSAG, Guatemala), and Cherie Thunder (Menominee Nation). Moderated by 4W Leader Dr. Claudia Calderón. Light Guatemalan fare by Chef Myra Guevara! [Click here to learn more.](#)

## JUNE

**4:** The Women and Leadership Symposium on **Wednesday, June 4, from 8:30am-3:25pm** at Memorial Union, brings together engaged professionals for networking, professional development, learning from women leaders, and sharing of best practices. **Register by May 20th** to secure your participation at the conference. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)

**27-28:** On **Friday and Saturday, June 27-28**, join WIRC's "AI and Society: Community Impacts and New Directions." This interactive workshop offers a comprehensive exploration of artificial intelligence (AI) and its wide-reaching impact across various sectors, with a focus on how these advancements intersect with education, ethics, and community well-being. [Click here to learn more.](#)

## DEADLINES

### ROLLING

**Enroll in Summer 2025 Course:** Medical Chinese, ASIALANG 475: This course provides an opportunity for SMPH students/colleagues who would like to enhance their knowledge in Chinese in order to better communicate with Chinese-speaking patients in their clinical practice. Email the instructor, **Shuyang Ye** (sy47@wisc.edu) to learn more!

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**Enroll in Summer 2025 Program:** Apply now to study Swahili or Yoruba online at the intermediate-advanced level this summer! Synchronous, virtual classes run for four hours a day, Monday through Friday, 9am-2pm (CDT) with an hour break scheduled at 11am. Intermediate students earn eight UW-Madison college credits for the two semesters, and advanced students earn six credits. All students earn two transcript letter grades. Questions? Contact a program advisor at [wisli@lpo.wisc.edu](mailto:wisli@lpo.wisc.edu). [Click here to learn more.](#)



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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!

## MAY

**15:** The deadline for applications to the Draper Technology Innovation Fund (TIF) is **Thursday, May 15**. Draper TIF provides a mechanism to support the additional research often necessary to bring new concepts and inventions to the patent and licensing stage. The program goal is the eventual introduction of new products and processes into the marketplace for the public good. The targeted inventions must have already been disclosed to and accepted by the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation (WARF) for patenting or similar intellectual property protection. Funds can be used to support efforts to enhance the scope or patentability of inventions and assist with their potential licensing to the commercial sector. Examples of research activities include prototype development, expansion of studies to include additional exemplary demonstrations, preparation of samples for evaluation, and application testing. This program is administered in partnership between Discovery to Product and the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)



## BECOME A BADGER VOLUNTEER THIS SUMMER!

THIS IS AN 8-WEEK PROGRAM FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN MAKING AN IMPACT FOR OUR AMAZING COMMUNITY PARTNERS THROUGH CONSISTENT WEEKLY VOLUNTEERING.

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### IMPORTANT DATES

REGISTRATION OPEN

**28**  
APR

**30**  
MAY

ORIENTATION DATE

**14**  
JUNE

SESSION DATES

**16**  
JUNE

**08**  
AUG

**30:** The deadline to apply for the Badger Volunteers program is **Friday, May 30**. Badger Volunteers (BV) is a semester-long program (11-week commitment) that pairs teams of students with community organizations to volunteer 1 to 4 hours each week at the same organization. The program is designed to foster meaningful and consistent connections between community partners and students over the course of an entire semester. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

## AUGUST

**29:** The deadline for Brittingham Wisconsin Trust grant proposals is **Friday, August 29**. The Brittingham Wisconsin Trust traditionally provides small grant support for university-sponsored projects, with an emphasis on projects in the arts and humanities that may not have access to other funding, as well as projects identified by campus leadership as priorities of the institution. The Trust also supports innovative or experimental projects that may subsequently be funded through traditional sources, interdisciplinary activities, and special projects that contribute to the university's knowledge base or

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grants may be considered on a case-by-case basis. [Click here for more information from the UW-Madison Office of the Provost.](#)

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT ▼

**+ UW-Madison's Office of Federal Relations** is coordinating the campus response to emerging federal updates, including executive orders, agency directives and congressional activity. Representatives from across campus, including Strategic Communication, the Provost's Office, the Office of Legal Affairs, the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, Student Affairs, the Office of Human Resources, the International Division, the Division of Enrollment Management, UWPD, and additional offices, are monitoring these issues and coordinating communication. [Click here for up-to-date information on campus responses.](#)

**+ Important policy from NIH:** A new policy from the US National Institutes of Health (NIH) will end billions of dollars of funding to laboratories and hospitals outside the United States, imperiling thousands of global-health projects and clinical trials on topics such as emerging infectious diseases and cancer. [Click here to learn more.](#)

**+ ICYMI:** Students at the University of Wisconsin-Madison are often the first to notice opportunities to improve the sustainability of campus facilities. However, many don't have the resources necessary to solve the problem. This is why the UW Office of Sustainability created the [Green Fund program](#). It supports student-initiated projects that improve the environmental footprint and social impact of campus. [Click here for the full story.](#)

If you'd like to receive our weekly newsletter, [please use this link.](#)

The Global Health Institute sends Tuesday updates to let you know about GHI and campus events and opportunities that foster deeper understanding of the complex determinants of health and disease for people, animals and ecosystems. *To submit global health related events or reading suggestions in GHI's Events+, send them to [communications@ghi.wisc.edu](mailto:communications@ghi.wisc.edu) by noon on Fridays.*

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