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10/28 WEBINAR: REGISTER NOW!

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

**COMMUNITY-DRIVEN SOLUTIONS TO
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GLOBAL HEALTH TUESDAY WEBINAR
TUESDAY, OCT 28, 9-10AM (CST)


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The Global Health Institute's October Global Health Tuesday Webinar is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 28, 2025, from 9-10am (CST)**. Niti Saxena, Chief Technology Officer, S M Sehgal Foundation, moderates a timely conversation on

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LATINE HERITAGE MONTH

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25

SEPT 15-OCT 15

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For a full calendar
of events visit
go.wisc.edu/latine

Special thanks to the
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Planning Committee

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NOW THRU OCT 15: Celebrate Latine Heritage Month, **September 15 - October 15**, at UW–Madison with this year's theme *Amor Sun Fronteras (Love Without Borders)*. The focus this year is on interrelation of cultures across Latin America and the United States—and how they continue to evolve. There are many events throughout the month-long celebration. [Click here for more info.](#)

15: Join African Studies Program faculty, students, and community members on **Wednesday, October 15, at noon (CST)**, at Ingraham Hall, Room 206, for AFRICA AT NOON, a one-hour weekly lecture series bringing diverse African research from scholars around the world to a campus and community audience. This week the featured guest will be Amy Stambach, Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professor of Anthropology, UW-Madison, discussing [U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Africa and Global Health Subcommittee](#). This in-person event will be livestreamed. [Click here for more info.](#)

16: The [Wild & Scenic Film Festival](#) features seven short films highlighting the powerful ways women are addressing climate change on **Thursday, October 16, from 5:30-8:30pm (CST)**. Proceeds will support women-focused nonprofits like DAIS, Girls on the Run, and Black Girl Magic, as well as international efforts for women's rights. The event will feature opening remarks from Dr. Hilary Dugan (UW-Madison, Limnology), who will introduce the films, and it will take place at Edgewood University, 1000 Edgewood College Drive Madison, WI 53711. [Click here to learn more and get tickets.](#)

16-26: Check out the Wisconsin Science Festival, **October 16-26**, where the theme is 'Rock and Roll,' to inspire people of all ages, backgrounds, and interests with a wide range of programs and events across disciplines to celebrate science, art, technology, engineering, and math. This year the festival will feature 10 days of hands-on activities, lab tours, community talks, nature walks, and more discoveries. [Find more info and register here.](#)

Finding Your Place in Science

A reflective workshop on belonging, identity, and the paths of science, guided by a Madison author, editor, and writing mentor.

All Welcome. FREE. RSVP to reserve your spot now!

October 20, 2025

3:00 - 5:00 PM

Room 1145
Discovery Building



Register at:
go.wisc.edu/wir

Writer in Residence



20: On **Monday, October 20, at 3pm (CST)**, as part of the Wisconsin Science Festival, the Wisconsin Institute for Discovery is offering a writing workshop focused on scientific identity, aimed at undergrad and graduate students, but also open to the public. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)



computational modeling in biology network



COMBINE 2025 Workshop

Pyle Center

702 Langdon Street, Madison, WI

Workshop Chair: Elebeoba May, UW-Madison

COMBINE 2025 connects experimental and theoretical systems biologists with the COMBINE community of standards developers. Speakers include scientists from biological, mathematical, computer science, and engineering disciplines.

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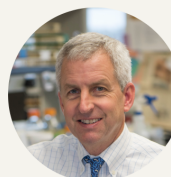
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20-23: The “Computational Modeling in Biology” Network (COMBINE), taking place **October 20-23**, is an initiative to coordinate the development of the various community standards and formats in systems biology and related fields. COMBINE 2025 will be a workshop-style event hosted at UW–Madison. [Click here to learn more.](#)

Ayni and the Public Humanities: Indigenous Knowledge Systems in the Andes and Beyond

Dr. Américo Mendoza-Mori
St. Olaf College

**Tuesday, October 21, 2025
12-1 PM CST
206 Ingraham & Online**



zoom registration

Co-Sponsors: UW-Madison's Department of
Anthropology & Human Rights Program

21: On **Tuesday, October 21, at noon (CST)**, in Ingraham 206 & Online, join the LACIS Lunchtime Lecture: "Ayni and the Public Humanities: Indigenous Knowledge Systems in the Andes and Beyond" by Dr. Américo Mendoza-Mori, St. Olaf College. [Click here to register for the Zoom option.](#)

BADGERCONNECT RESEARCH SERVICES FAIR

Tuesday, October 21
12:45 – 4:30 pm

Health Sciences Learning Center Atrium
Designed for all life science researchers
across the UW-Madison campus



21: Join the eighth BadgerConnect Research Services Fair, on **Tuesday, October 21, 12:45-4:30pm (CST)**, hosted by the UW Carbone Cancer Center and UW Biotechnology Center, this fair joins UW research services with industry partners to showcase services provided to UW-Madison researchers. Learn about innovative technologies and discuss projects with life sciences research services to see how your research can be supported and enhanced. This free event features a research talk, roundtable discussions, and a networking reception, along with pre-recorded flash talks and tutorials posted online – all aimed to foster collaborations and take your research to the next level. [Click here for more info.](#)

21: The Morgridge Center for Public Service will be hosting a Wisconsin Idea Fellowship information session on **Tuesday, October 21, from 4-5pm (CST)**. The session will be held at the Morgridge Center (Red Gym, Room 154). The Wisconsin Idea Fellowship is an opportunity for any undergraduate student to work towards addressing a challenge identified along with a local or global community partner. [Click here to learn more.](#)



Words Make Worlds

Defending Indigenous Language Education in the Americas

Panelists

Diego Tituaña

Kichwa Otavalo

Member Elect of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Dr. Américo Mendoza-Mori

Assistant Professor of Romance Languages, St. Olaf College

Co-founder of the Quechua Alliance

Luis Gonzalez-Quizhpe

Center for Health Disparities Research, School of Medicine and Public Health (SMPH), University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Tuesday, October 21,
4-5:30PM**

Memorial Union, Room TBA

Co-Sponsors: UW-Madison's Department of
Anthropology & Human Rights Program

**Click for
Tickets**

21: On **Tuesday, October 21, at 4pm (CST)**, at Memorial Union, Room TBA, join LACIS for a panel titled "Words Make Worlds: Defending Indigenous Language Education in the Americas" featuring Diego Tituaña, Dr. Américo Mendoza-Mori, Luis Gonzalez-Quizhpe, and moderator Analiz Patricia Poma Paqui. [Click here to learn more.](#)

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CRACKING THE CODE:

PHIL SHARP & THE BIOTECH REVOLUTION

UNCOMMON PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS "CRACKING THE CODE: PHIL SHARP AND THE BIOTECH REVOLUTION" EDITED BY SHANNON CONBOY
DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY CLAUDIA RASCHKE MUSIC BY CRAIG RICHEY EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS R.J. CUTLER TIM DISNEY MICHAEL & BARBARA EISENSON REED & ELENA JOBS JENNIFER EPLETT & SEAN REILLY
DADA FILMS PRODUCED BY CARINA CHAVDA M.M. HANEY WRITTEN, PRODUCED AND DIRECTED BY BILL HANEY INDEPENDENT FILM

22: The Department of Biochemistry is pleased to invite all to a screening of [*Cracking the Code: Phil Sharp and the Biotech Revolution*](#), a compelling documentary that explores the life of Nobel Laureate Phil Sharp and the transformative impact of biotechnology on science and society. The event will take place on **Wednesday, October 22**. Doors open at 4pm and the screening starts at 4:30pm. [Click here to learn more](#). If interested, [click here to register by October 14](#).



Latin American, Caribbean, and
Iberian Studies Program (LACIS)
INSTITUTE FOR REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
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NO FUTURE WITHOUT US

Conocimientos Indígenas y Justicia Climática/
Indigenous Knowledges and Climate Justice

Spanish/English Presentation

Diego Tituaña

Kichwa Otavalo

Member Elect of the UN Permanent Forum on
Indigenous Issues

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2025

9:30-11AM

Memorial Union, Room TBA

**Click for
Tickets**

Funding provided by the UW-Madison's
International Division for RISE Programming.
Co-Sponsors: UW-Madison's Department of
Anthropology & Human Rights Program

Calendar

24: On **Friday, October 24, at 9:30am (CST)**, at Memorial Union, Room TBA, join LACIS for a RISE-Earth event entitled "No Future without Us: Conocimientos Indígenas y Justicia Climática/Indigenous Knowledges and Climate Justice" featuring Diego Tituaña, Kichwa Otavalo, Member Elect of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. Presentation will be in Spanish and English. [Click here to learn more.](#)



Reimagining Your Health Journey with Integrative Care

FREE VIRTUAL SYMPOSIUM

Navigating complex, chronic health conditions in
today's increasingly complex healthcare system.

Friday, October 24

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. MT

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CT



24: All are invited to the upcoming free virtual symposium, Reimagining Your Health Journey with Integrative Care on **Friday, October 24, from 10am-4pm (CST)**. This free, one-day virtual symposium will explore how an integrative health approach can address common questions that arise in both complex, chronic health conditions and today's increasingly complex healthcare system. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)



Day Celebration



"The Right to Move and Seek Refuge in an Authoritarian Era"

Featuring: address by keynote speaker Professor Sara McKinnon, comments by immigration attorney Carmel Capati, and Q&A with attendees



Professor McKinnon has expertise in **foreign policy, immigration, asylum, and refugee law**. McKinnon will offer comments on **immigration and refugee movement in the Trump era**, including how immigrants and refugees can **maintain human rights and safer movement**.

WHERE?

**Catholic
Multicultural
Center
5256 Verona Road,
Fitchburg**

WHEN?

**Sunday,
October 26,
12:00–2:30 PM**

HOW?

**Get tickets at
unadane.org or
scan the QR
code below!**

***Join us for a luncheon celebrating the 80th
anniversary of founding of the United Nations!***



SCAN ME



26: Join UNA Dane for a special celebration of the 80th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations at their annual UNA Day Luncheon on **Sunday, October 26, from 12-2:30pm (CST)**, at Catholic Multicultural Center, 5256 Verona Road, Fitchburg. This year's luncheon features a keynote address by Professor Sara McKinnon of UW–Madison's Department of Communication Arts. Professor McKinnon will speak on "The Right to Move and Seek Refuge in an Authoritarian Era." There will be an open Q&A session following her presentation. [Click here to learn more and get](#)

Disability in STEM

2025 Symposium

Monday, October 27th, 8:45am-6pm
Wisconsin Institute for Discovery
H.F. DeLuca Forum



Register here!
tinyurl.com/dss-2025

Morning Sessions

8:45-9:00am: Opening remarks and community guidelines

9:00-9:55am: Session 1 - **Deep Roots: Considering Historical and Contemporary Frameworks in Disability and STEM** - *Heather Stelljes*

10:00-10:55am: Keynote - **Disabled Dis-Epistemologies: On Academic Ableism, (In)Access, and Knowing Anyways** - *Helen Rottier*

11:00-11:55am: Session 3 - **Towards Inclusive Social Virtual Reality: Co-creating Representative Avatars and Safe Spaces with the Disability Community** - *Kexin Zhang*

Between Sessions

12:00-12:50pm: **Catered Lunch & Round Table Discussion**

Afternoon Sessions

1:00-1:55pm: Workshop - **Clean air pedagogy: the Corsi-Rosenthal box and the science of clean air** - *Miranda Alksnis*

2:00-2:55pm: Session 5 - **#labadaptations: Creating accessible tools for lab spaces** - *Katherine Hubert*

3:00-3:55pm: Session 6 - **Graduate Student Panel: Disability in Grad School**

4:00-4:55pm: Session 7 - **Professional(ableism) in STEM** - *CHAMP*

Post-Symposium

5:00-6:00pm: Mingle & art exhibition: **Uncontained** - *Car Riegger*



Antiracism Learning &
 Action in Neuroscience



Disability Cultural Center
 MCBURNEY DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON



Howard Hughes
 Medical Institute

If you have questions or access needs, please email Emma Hammond at erhammond@wisc.edu

27: Antiracism Learning and Action in Neuroscience is hosting a free Disability in STEM Symposium on **Monday, October 27, from 8:45am-6pm (CST)**. Please join us for a day of talks, workshops, and discussions focused on the

accessible. Please note that masks are mandatory and will be provided for free at the event. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)

27: On **Monday, October 27, from 4:30-5:45pm (CST)**, the UW School of Medicine and Public Health Faculty/Staff Meetings will be held. The topics discussed at these meetings are broadly relevant to faculty and staff alike and relate to various aspects of the school's mission. Attending gives everyone a chance to: hear updates from Dean Nita Ahuja, MD, MBA and other administrative leaders, learn more about the school's goals, participate in question-and-answer sessions, and build community. [Click here to learn more.](#)



27: On **Monday, October 27, from 7-8pm (CST)**, join the Morgridge Institute for Research for a Fearless Science Forum webinar exploring vaccines. Morgridge Investigator Paul Ahlquist will be joined by Dr. Jorge Osorio, Dr. Nasia Safdar, and Dr. John Williams to discuss how vaccines protect communities, how rigorous safety processes work through each stage of their development before and after release, and how to start separating credible information from misleading claims. Participants will leave with practical tools for evaluating sources and making informed choices. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)

28: On **Tuesday, October 28, from 9-10am (CST)**, GHI hosts our next Global Health Tuesday Webinar. This month will focus on **Community-driven Solutions to Maternal Health Disparities** with moderator Niti Saxena, Chief Technology Officer, S M Sehgal Foundation, and panelists Dr. Zoua Vang, Dr. Jill Denson, and Dr. Tiwaladeoluwa Adekunle. **See above story for more info.**



UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON SUSTAINABILITY SYMPOSIUM

Wednesday, October 29 • 1:00pm – 5:30pm • Union South

Featuring a keynote address on

Architectural Epidemiology

By Adele Houghton, FAIA, DrPH, LEED AP

29: The fourth annual UW–Madison Sustainability Symposium will take place on **Wednesday, October 29, from 1-5:30pm (CST)** at Union South. All UW–Madison students, faculty, and staff are invited to present their scholarly and creative work. To explore connections between RISE areas, this year's event will highlight the connections between sustainability and health—submissions on this area are especially encouraged, though proposals on any aspect of sustainability are welcome. [Proposals are due Friday, October 17.](#) Online registration is open through *Sunday, October 26*, though in-person registrations will also be available at the event. [Click here to learn more.](#)

NOVEMBER

4: The Morgridge Center for Public Service will be hosting a Wisconsin Idea Fellowship information session on **Tuesday, November 4, from 5-6pm (CST)**. The session will be held at the Morgridge Center (Red Gym, Room 154). The Wisconsin Idea Fellowship is an opportunity for any undergraduate student to work towards addressing a challenge identified along with a local or global community partner. [Click here to learn more.](#)

7: The 10th annual Native Nations Nursing, Helpers, and Healers Summit will be held this year on **Friday, November 7, from 8am-5pm (CST)**, at the UW–Madison School of Nursing. The Summit is for nurses and other healers to share knowledge and collaborative approaches to address the health and well-being of Indigenous communities, incorporate Indigenous wisdom, and promote planetary health which we depend on for our foods, medicines, and life itself. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)

WISCONSIN IDEA UNDERGRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

Design an original project with a local or global community partner that works towards addressing a challenge in that community.



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In-Person Info Session

Oct
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4 - 5pm

Nov
4

5 - 6pm

Morgridge Center for Public Service
Red Gym room 154

Virtual Info Session

Nov
11

6 - 7pm



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11: The Morgridge Center for Public Service will be hosting a Wisconsin Idea Fellowship information session on **Tuesday, November 11 from 6-7pm (CST)**. The session will be held virtually via Zoom. The Wisconsin Idea Fellowship is an opportunity for any undergraduate student to work towards addressing a challenge identified along with a local or global community partner. [Click here to learn more](#). If interested, [click here to register on Zoom](#).

BioPharmaceutical Technology Center Institute in Fitchburg, Wisconsin. The symposium is a dynamic and transdisciplinary event aimed at expanding awareness, fostering knowledge exchange, and bridging gaps in psychedelic research, education, and policy. The symposium will bring together researchers, graduate students, and key industry stakeholders to share knowledge and facilitate collaboration. GHI is a sponsor. [Click here for a tentative schedule.](#)

14: The Plant Science Graduate Student Council at the University of Wisconsin-Madison invites you to the 15th Annual Plant Sciences Symposium, titled “Bridging the Plant Sciences: Our Collaborative Future in Research.” This event, part of the Corteva Agriscience Symposia Series, will take place in Varsity Hall at Union South on **Friday, November 14, from 9am-5pm (CST)**. [Click here to learn more.](#)



DAIRY INNOVATION HUB

DAIRY SUMMIT
NOVEMBER 18

hosted by:
UW-River Falls
& live streamed

18: The Dairy Innovation Hub will host its sixth annual Dairy Summit on **Tuesday, November 18, from 9am-4:30pm (CST)** at UW-River Falls. The event showcases new research projects and includes an inaugural student impact panel with students from UW-Madison, UW-River Falls and UW-Platteville. [Click here to learn more.](#)

DEADLINES ▼

ROLLING

WISCONSIN IDEA FELLOWSHIP: Wisconsin Idea Fellowships are awarded annually to undergraduate student projects working towards addressing a challenge identified along with a local or global community partner. Fellowships are awarded to semester-long or year-long projects designed by an undergraduate student (or group of students) in collaboration with a community organization and a UW-Madison faculty or academic staff member. Applications for the 2026-27 cohort will open in mid-November and close on February 8, 2026. [Click here to learn more.](#)

TOMMY THOMPSON LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP



Applications Due In WiSH by 10/19/2025

19: Deadline to submit applications to the Tommy G. Thompson Leadership Scholarship is **Sunday, October 19**. One scholarship award of up to \$3,000 is offered to one student per academic year. Scholarships are intended for undergraduates who have shown public leadership in their lives in a way that reflects the general legacy of Governor Tommy G. Thompson. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

27: Deadline to submit poster presenter applications to The Plant Science Graduate Student Council for the 15th Annual Plant Sciences Symposium is **Monday, October 27**. Poster presentations will be held in-person during the scheduled lunch break. If you have concerns about attendance, reach out to Jill at jabendroth@wisc.edu. Posters will highlight the research of both graduate and undergraduate students. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

FOOD FOR THOUGHT ▼

+ **ICYMI: From UW-SMPH News:** Rudolph Johnson, a toxicologist with national leadership experience in emergency response and measuring human exposure to toxic substances, will be the next director of the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH). [Click here to learn more.](#)

+ **ICYMI: From Wisconsin Public Radio:** Dr. Jim Conway, the medical director at UW Health's immunization program, said some pharmacies may be concerned about a state law which generally requires a prescription before a pharmacist administers a vaccine to someone under 6 years old. Even so, Conway said the state directive was intended to clear that up, by specifying that prescriptions aren't required for the COVID vaccine. "It's not just flipping a switch," Conway said. "We had to get vaccine ordered and get it shipped in and then get it distributed to the clinics. So that was happening ... and then everything was finally in place and we were ready to go. We're very excited." [Click here to learn more.](#)

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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 by noon on Fridays.*

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