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Events

This fall, School of Liberal Arts faculty, staff, and students have played critical roles in convening and/or bringing a wide-range of **conferences** to the IUPUI campus. These include:

- Midwest Pragmatist Study Group Annual Meeting - September 27-28, 2008
- The Inside-Out Midwest Prison Exchange Conference - October 2-3, 2008
- Midwest Historical Archaeology Conference (MHAC) - October 2-4, 2008
- Cancer Stories: The Impact of Narrative on Modern Malady - November 5-8, 2008
- The 3rd Annual Native American Education Conference - November 14, 2008

For more information on these conferences and other events, please visit <http://liberalarts.iupui.edu>

Faculty

Liberal Arts anthropology professor and department chair **Paul Mullins** and his book, *Glazed America: A History of the Doughnut*, were featured on National Public Radio's Weekend Edition on Sunday, August 31st. In addition to receiving on-air coverage, Mullins participated in an online question and answer session with listeners. Visit <http://liberalarts.iupui.edu> to listen to or read Professor Mullins' thoughts about the role of the doughnut in society.

Research

Ramla M. Bandle, assistant professor of political science, has authored her first book, *Black Star: African American Activism in the International Political Economy*, published by the University of Illinois Press. The book examines Marcus Garvey and his Universal Negro Improvement Association's creation of the Black Star shipping line, focusing on how the business venture, while ultimately a failure, served to unify many members of the African Diaspora.

Students

This summer, Anthropology senior **Courtney Singleton** presented her paper "There are no rules for radicals: Can archaeology be a form of activism?" at the 6th annual World Archaeological Conference (WAC-6) in Dublin, Ireland. Watch for a full story on Courtney's experience on the Liberal Arts website in October.

Faculty

This fall, Liberal Arts welcomed faculty in 8 of the school's 11 disciplines. From language acquisition and instruction to extreme heat events and high risk behavior among youth, the interests of these faculty span the humanities and social sciences. Profiles of each faculty member are available at <http://liberalarts.iupui.edu>

- **Janet Acevedo**, Lecturer in English; Director, American Sign Language/English Interpreting
- **Ryan Adams**, Visiting Lecturer in Anthropology
- **Andrew Baker**, Lecturer in Geography
- **Helena Bonejbar-Daerr**, Visiting Lecturer in German
- **Neale R. Chumbler**, Professor of Sociology
- **Marta Alfonso Durruty**, Visiting Assistant Professor of Anthropology
- **Johnny Flynn**, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies; Director, American Indian Programs
- **Jaime Hamilton**, Visiting Lecturer in Communication Studies; Director, IUPUI Forensics
- **Se-Hoon Jeong**, Acting Assistant Professor of Health Communications
- **Daniel Johnson**, Assistant Professor of Geography
- **Eunice Karanja Kamaara**, Visiting Professor of Religious Studies and Anthropology
- **Tamara G.J. Leech**, Assistant Professor of Sociology
- **Amy Reinsel**, Visiting Lecturer in French
- **Nancy Rhodes**, Associate Professor of Health Communications
- **Claudia Schlee**, Visiting Lecturer in German
- **Frank Smith**, Lecturer in English for Academic Purposes
- **Ben Van Wyke**, Acting Assistant Professor of Spanish Translation
- **Scott Wallace**, Lecturer in Political Science

Figures

Political Science is the home of Liberal Arts' largest number of **undergraduate majors** with 354 students currently enrolled in political science, paralegal, prelaw, and international studies. The largest graduate degree program in the school is Philanthropic Studies with 76 current master's and doctoral students. School-wide, 98 graduate students and 196 new undergraduates joined the school as majors this fall.

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