Good luck on finals!

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Events

University of Illinois students are encouraged to attend GIS Fair 2009 – At Illinois, the Geographic Information Sciences are Everywhere. This event will be held in the Illini Union, Illini Rooms A-C, December 9, from 11 AM-3 PM, and will provide a chance to learn about the geographic information sciences at Illinois and beyond. See http://webstore.illinois.edu/GISFair/ for more details and to learn more about the keynote presentation by … (well, go to the site and you’ll see).

Courses

AAS 215 U. S. Citizenship Comparatively will carry the following General Education credit, effective Spring 2010:

- Cultural Studies: U. S. Minority Culture(s)
- Humanities and Arts: Historical and Philosophical Perspectives

AIS 215 is cross-listed as AFRO 215, AIS 295, GWS 215, and LLS 215.

Discovery Course: (freshmen only)

LING 199 Language and Social Interaction - "When Good Conversations go Bad"
Lecture discuss SG CRN 53463 2:00 - 2:50 MWF
Why do "good conversations" sometimes go "bad"? Are there unwritten "rules" for talking with other people and, if so, how do these work across genders, languages and cultures? Students in the class will collect data and analyze real conversations and interactions to try to understand the rules that underlie conversational conventions in different cultures. For example, what are the "rules" for opening and closing conversations, for interrupting, and for turn-taking? How do these conventions work for people from different cultures and linguistic backgrounds? Grading is based on class participation, small group projects throughout the semester and a final project.

Discovery Classes:

ART 199, crn 44619, Tues/Thurs, 9:30-12:10, Topic: (re)Making Matter(s)

ART 199, crn 48918, Mon/Wed, 1:00-2:20, Topic: Art, Community and Global Civil Society

ART 199, crn 39747, Mon/Wed, 9:00-11:40, Topic: Introduction to Jewelry/Metals

ARTE 402, crn 52292, Wed 9:00-11:40, Artistic Development

ARTE 480, crn 52291, Tues, 9:30-12:10, Popular Visual Culture
ARTH 299, crn 50159, MWF, 4:00-4:50, Topic: China into Film

ARTH 446, crn 39095, Tues/Thurs, 9:30-10:50, Art Since 1940

ARTS 210, crn 39795, Mon/Wed, 1:00-3:40, Ceramics I

Opportunities

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