**Department News**

**DMLL Lecture Series**

“What the World Thinks About Literature: A Manifesto”

*Dr. Tom Beebee, Professor of Comparative Literature and German, Penn State University*

**Tuesday, March 11 at 5:30, Dudley-Bailey Library (228 Andrews Hall)**

In an article in the journal Comparative Literature, Revathi Krishnaswamy states that “few, even among the skeptics [of theory’s empire], have called for redefining theory itself as a way out of comparative literature’s Eurocentrism. The result is what we have today: world lit without world lit crit.” The 2013 publication of Global Literary Theory: An Anthology was a case in point. If ever there was a case of uneven development, this anthology demonstrated it, with scarcely a word about the traditions of Asia and (as in the Leitch-edited Norton Anthology) an almost complete absence of Latin America. This talk explores what literary theory might look like if we were to level the global playing field, dial back our presentist orientation, and pluck up the same courage and overcome the fetish of specialization in order to absorb “the Way” presented in Chinese poet-critics such as Lu Ji, the logic of emotions of Sanskrit rasa theory, the Zen aesthetic of Noh practitioner Zeami, or the Ogunism of Nigerian author Wole Soyinka, to give a few examples.

**March**

11th- Dr. Tom Beebee Lecture
13th- Benjamin Frommer Colloquium
18th- Salary Merit Advisory Committee Meeting
20th- Salary Merit Advisory Committee Meeting

**April**

10th- LANGUAGE FAIR - No language Classes.

Please send your announcements, Bravos and events for the weekly newsletter to Casandra (csiefkes2@unl.edu) by 5 pm on Thursdays.
Peer Reviewers and a message from Nathan Meier

Nothing enhances grantsmanship skills more than serving as a proposal reviewer – at least that is what they tell me.

Thanks,

Nathan

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Looking for Peer Reviewers!
The International and Foreign Language Education office (IFLE) of the U.S. Department of Education administers a variety of international education programs. IFLE continually seeks qualified individuals, in particular, world language and area/international studies specialists, to serve as readers for grant competitions.

Selected readers participate in a panel review of applications and are provided with modest compensation. Most reviews are conducted electronically via the Department’s G5 system and travel will not be necessary. In cases where travel is necessary, readers are provided with roundtrip travel, lodging, and per diem. The review process involves orientation, reading of applications, and regularly scheduled discussions with other panelists. Application scores are based on pre-determined selection criteria and any announced priorities for each program. Panel reviews normally last one to two weeks.

If you are interested in being considered for this opportunity and feel that you have the appropriate qualifications, please see the attached flyer for instructions on how to apply.

Once online, you will be asked to submit your application, including your resume/CV, and provide background information outlining your expertise and background. You will also be able to indicate for which IFLE programs you are interested in being considered. Your application to become a field reader will be reviewed by OPE staff members to determine whether you have the subject area expertise and appropriate background needed for upcoming competitions.

For Fiscal Year 2014, we are seeking peer reviewers for the following programs:

FULBRIGHT-HAYS PROGRAMS:
Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad (DDRA)
Group Projects Abroad (GPA)
Seminars Abroad (SA) (East Asia specialists only for Fiscal Year 2014)

TITLE VI OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT PROGRAMS:
Centers for International Business Education (CIBE)
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS)
Language Resource Centers (LRC)
National Resource Centers (NRC)
Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language (UISFL)

To learn more about IFLE Programs, please visit our web site at www.ed.gov/ope/iegps or sign up for the IFLE listserv at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USED/subscriber/new?topic_id=USED_61.

Bravo!

Dr. Isabel Velázquez
has been awarded tenure, and promotion to Associate Professor.

Congratulations!

Catherine Johnson
who has been selected as a recipient of the College Distinguished Teaching Award. This award is granted by the College of Arts and Sciences to instructors with excellence in teaching, dedication to student learning and teaching pedagogy. Catherine’s achievements will be formally recognized at the University Honors Convocation on Sunday, April 13.

Bravo!

Heather Jerónimo
has accepted a tenure-track position as an Assistant Professor of Spanish at the University of Northern Iowa.
**Other News**

### Construction Notice

On Wednesday 3/12 of this week starting at 4pm there will be a new opening cut into the existing north glass wall. This work will require some grinding of the floor and metal glass frame producing some elevated noise levels and small amounts of dust. To keep the disturbances to a minimal a temporary dust barrier will be put up and the work will be begin after 4pm and end prior to 6:30am on 3/13. Please note that this work may not be 100% completed by Thursday morning but the noise and dust disturbances should be.

### New Student Organization

The University of Nebraska–Lincoln Maker Club envisions a campus-driven, city-wide culture that actively fosters student-initiated efforts to fuse engineering, art, design and technology into innovative products and media that spark discussions, solve problems, and inspire humanity — while establishing partnerships among students, instructors, entrepreneurs and professionals interested in solving the world’s most challenging problems.

If you are interested see make.unl.edu for more details.

### NEH Grants Writing Workshop

Several of our Faculty and Graduate Students attended the NEH Grants and Fellowships Application Writing Workshop at UNL on Thursday, Feb. 27. Including Evelyn Jacobson, Oscar Pereira-Zazo, Jose Gonzalez, Chantal Kaliña, Isabel Velázquez, Ikuho Amano, Allysha Martin, Joseba Moreno, and Jennifer Isasi.

### Correction

Prof. Gonzalez-Allende’s 2009 edition of Pilar de Zubiaurre’s articles and diaries is discussed at length in a recent article in the Basque newspaper Deia: http://www.deia.com/2014/03/02/politica/euskadi/unaprecursora-8-de-marzo-vasca-del

### Kawasaki Reading Room

Begin March 19th at 3:30

Tō no Kai offers informal discussions of Japanese swords and related items. Participants examine Japanese swords and fittings to learn about their technology and history and the qualities that might make them art. Meetings are relaxed and open and will follow participants’ interest. Curiosity is more important than knowledge or expertise. Please come if you are interested in Japan, swords, or art.

For any inquiries, please contact Dan Riley or Madoka Wayoro at 402-472-9427

### Faculty Activities

**Congratulations to these professors who have or will soon present a paper from the following conferences.**

- José González, Midwest Popular Culture Associate in St. Louis, Missouri.
- Iker González-Allende, MACHL in Columbia, MO
- Rigoberto Guevara, MACHL in Columbia, MO
- Chantal Kalisa, South Central Modern Language Association Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA
- Nora Peterson, 16th Century Society and Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- Radha Balasubramaniam, Central Eurasian Studies Society in Madison, Wisconsin.
- Isabel Velázquez, Symposium of Spanish as a Heritage Language in Lubbock, Texas.

### Upcoming Conferences

- Tom Carr, Joint Colloquium by the University of Southern California and the Université de Marne La Vallée in Los Angeles, California.
- Isabel Velázquez, Second International Conference on Heritage and Community Languages in Los Angelos, California.
- Kelly Kingsbury Brunetto, Georgetown University Roundtable in Washington DC.
- Liz Enkin Kentucky Foreign Language Conference in Kentucky
- Iker González-Allende Discourses in Peripheral Sexualities in Hispanic Studies in Boca Raton, Florida.
- Hana Waisserova, American Comparative Literature Association in New York City, New York.
Calls for Papers
See Bulletin Board in 1107 for more information

- Céfiro; Texas Tech University; DUE: Mar 14
- UIC Bilingualism Forum; Chicago; May 4
- Sakarya; Paris, France; DUE: June 13

Language Clubs & Student Centers

Spanish Basic Help Center
Mon & Wed: 9:30 - 11:20am
12:30 - 2:20pm
1126 OLDH

Spanish Tutoring Center
Mon & Wed: 2:30 - 4pm
1126 OLDH

Spanish Table
Tuesdays: 4 - 6pm
1126 OLDH
#UNLTableau

French Table
Tuesdays: 4 - 6pm
1126 OLDH

Komenský Club
Wednesday: 6:30 - 8:30pm
UNL Union
#UNLKomensky

Portuguese Table
TBA
#UNLBatePapo

Stammtisch
Wednesdays: 4:30 - 6pm
Dempsey’s
#UNLStammtisch

Japanese Table
Intermediate - Advance: Tuesdays 4 - 5 KRR
Beginners: Thursdays 4 - 5 KRR
#UNLJapanTable

Arabic Table
Thursdays: 3:30 - 5:30pm
1126 OLDH
#UNLArabicNadii

Emerging Technologies for Online Learning

We have several computer seats available to attend virtually the Emerging Technologies for Online Learning, April 9th through April 11th.

To access the streamed sessions go to http://sloanconsortium.org/conference/2014/et4online/streamed_sessions

The virtual attendee will have access to live-streamed and archived sessions from the conference for one (1) year post-conference.

To check out the program of streamed sessions go to http://sloanconsortium.org/conference/2014/et4online/streamed_sessions

Please let me know no later than Wednesday March 19th by the end of the business day if you wish to attend this conference virtually (mbarber2@unl.edu).

Bravo!

Iker González-Allende

published the following article: “El ex-hombre: Masculinidad y exilio en la poesía de Juan José Domenchina.” Neophilologus DOI 10.1007/s11061-014-9383-7. The article can be found here: http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11061-014-9383-7
Global Matters Dinner
An Evening of Arabic at UNL

March 31st 2014
Selleck Presidential Suite
5:00-6:30

Middle Eastern Cultural Presentations &
Panel Discussion

Glenn E. Robinson
Associate Professor of Defense Analysis
Co-Director, Center on Terrorism and Irregular Warfare
Naval Postgraduate School

Simon A. Wood
Associate Professor of Classics & Religious Studies
Department of Classics and Religious Studies
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Panelists presented by: Abla Hasan, Professor of Arabic, UNL Dept. of Modern Languages & Literature

Sincere thanks for making this event possible:
Global Studies | Faculty Senate Convocations Committee | International Engagement
UNL Parent Association | University Housing | Arabic Studies in the Dept. of Modern Languages & Literature
UNL Czech Komenský Club
Presents
CZECH WEEK 2014
Celebrating 110 years of Husker Spirit!

March 10 – Dance with Radim
UNL East Campus Great Plains Room
6:30 – 9:00 p.m.
Free Admission – Dance and ethnic costume/evening dress competition to follow with prizes awarded
Learn how to dance traditional Czech and classical dances from the internationally recognized ballroom dancer and UNL Robitchek Scholar, Radim Brach. Radim has taught and performed with the winner of the Czech season of Dancing with the Stars. Wear your ethnic costume or evening dress – you may win a prize!

Given by:
Dr. Benjamin Frommer, Director of the Holocaust Educational Foundation of Northwestern University
Great Plains Art Museum, 1155 Q Street
3-5 p.m.
Free Admission - Reception to follow
With special thanks to the departments of Judaic Studies, History, Sociology, and Modern Languages and Literatures

March 14 – Concert: Czech Landscapes
Featuring
Dvořák and Smetana
Lied Center for Performing Art, 301 N 12th Street
7:30 p.m.
For tickets contact Lincoln Symphony Orchestra - 402-476-2211
Komensky Club celebrates 110 years
Czech Week and
Jewish Studies Colloquium Series

Benjamin Frommer
Director of the Holocaust Educational
Foundation

“Unmixing Marriage: Czech-German,
and Jewish-Gentile Intermarried
Families in Bohemia and Moravia,
1938-1945”

Introduction by Gerald Steinacher

Great Plains Art Museum, 1155 Q Street, Hewit Place

Thursday, March 13, 3-5

Reception to follow

With special thanks to UNL departments of Judaic Studies,
History, Sociology, and Modern Languages and Literatures
Communicating Your Research to a Lay Audience

an interactive workshop

Wednesday, March 19
3:00–5:00 p.m.

Nebraska Union
Check-in begins at 2:30 p.m.

Advances in knowledge benefit society and continually transform the world, but for non-experts (policy makers, investors, consumers) to understand the advantages of innovation in your discipline, they must be able to grasp your findings and their implications at a basic level.

Whether you’re writing a policy brief, developing course content, contributing an article to the public press, or writing a grant proposal, the ability to clearly communicate technical information to an uninformed audience is essential. During this session, you’ll learn some effective communication techniques, practice describing your research to a non-expert, and leave with a number of useful resources.

Register by Monday, March 17 at go.unl.edu/143C

presented by:

Mark Doyle, Ph.D.
- Director, IANR Office of Global Engagement at UNL
- Former AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellow, NSF
- Former AAAS Overseas Fellow, USAID
- Former Science Education Volunteer, Peace Corps

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