

# The Informant

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## The following students were awarded their Ph.D. degrees: Congratulations Doctors!!!

**Christopher von Rueden**, PhD, Fall 2011. Dissertation title: The acquisition of social status by males in small-scale human societies (with an emphasis on the Tsimane of Bolivia)

**Erik Marsh**, PhD, Winter 2012: The Emergence of Tiwanaku: Domestic Practices and Regional Traditions at Khonkho Wankane and Kk'ara-a

**Julian Lim**, PhD, Winter 2012. Welfare Tradeoff Ratios and Emotions: Psychological Foundations of Human Reciprocity

A shout out to **John Johnson** for his role in the Tejon Indian Tribe recently regaining their status as a federally recognized tribe. Since his graduate school days, John has conducted oral historical and ethnohistorical research pertaining to the tribe, whose members descend from Kitanemuk, Yokuts, and other indigenous groups in the southern San Joaquin Valley region. Since the Tejon tribe began their effort to regain federal recognition in the 1990s, he assisted them with compiling and submitting historical and genealogical evidence that helped convince the BIA to reaffirm their tribal status.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

## DEPARTMENT SEARCHES

We are moving forward on final short lists for both searches, so look for interviews and job talks starting later this month! Check out the link below to see the official ads for a Biological Anthropologist (IAS) and a Sociocultural Ecological Anthropologist (SAAB), each at the Assistant Professor level.  
<http://www.anth.ucsb.edu/jobs.php>

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### Graduate Preview Weekend

Our annual Grad Preview Weekend is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, February 24-25, 2012. Accepted applicants have been sent invitations.

Please note that time is set aside Friday morning for faculty appointments and the faculty roundtables Friday afternoon. We hope you can join us for the reception afterward from 5-6 in the HSSB 2024 Reading Room, as well as the potluck dinner Saturday night at 5 pm, location TBA - Please RSVP to Robin Roe [roe@anth.ucsb.edu](mailto:roe@anth.ucsb.edu) or 805-893-2516.

New this year is the combination of Grad Preview Weekend with the Anth Grad Research Symposium Saturday morning (see below). Prospective students will be attending and we hope you can join them and our current grads and undergrads as well. Breakfast, coffee break, and lunch is provided. We are excited about this opportunity to highlight our students as part of the weekend.

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### BROWN BAGS TBA

The Brown Bag is looking for speakers! If you would like to present your current, past or future research, practice a talk, or just speak about something you're interested in, then the Brown Bag lunchtime series is the place for you! Please e-mail Jessica Kaplan at [jessicakaplan@umail.ucsb.edu](mailto:jessicakaplan@umail.ucsb.edu) if interested.

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### AGSA ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The 2nd Annual anthropology Student Symposium will be on Saturday February 25th (8:30am to 2pm), and will take place alongside the Prospective Graduate Students Preview Weekend. Please join us for an exciting morning exploring the Anthropology research at UCSB. Food will be provided - please register (<http://www.doodle.com/m2tcswmnqfd4edgv>) for free so we get a head count. For more information please see: <http://www.anth.ucsb.edu/classes/AnthStudentSymposium/>

The AGSA quarterly meeting will be held this upcoming Monday, February 6th at 5:00 pm in HSSB 2001A.

The department t-shirts were a fundraising success! But we still have a lot of extra shirts to sell, including a lot of men's size medium and large, and a lot of women's size small. Talk to Craig about purchasing a shirt. (\$15.00)

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#### *Helpful Links*

Instructional Development's TA pedagogy workshops for Winter:  
<http://oic.id.ucsb.edu/ta-training-programs/ta-workshops-seminars>





## LECTURES & SYMPOSIA

**Santa Barbara County Archaeological Society:** Ron Barber (Los Alamos National Laboratory): Stone Calendars of the Southwest, Monday, February 6, 7:30 PM, Farrand Hall, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History.

**IHC:** Ron Hassner (Political Science, UC Berkeley): Sharing Jerusalem's Holy Places, Monday, February 6 / 7:30 PM, Santa Barbara Hillel, 781 Embarcadero Del Mar.

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## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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The **Department of Anthropology at Rutgers**, the State University of New Jersey, invites applications for a tenure track assistant professor in African paleoanthropology and/or archaeology to start Fall 2012, subject to the availability of funding. In addition to teaching both undergraduate and graduate level courses during the regular academic year and maintaining an active research program in the study of human origins that complements the work of other members of our faculty, the successful candidate will also serve as the Rutgers' Co-Director of the Koobi Fora Field School, which is run jointly by Rutgers University and the National Museums of Kenya.

Candidates must hold a Ph.D. and should demonstrate excellence in teaching, creative scholarship, and ongoing field research. Application materials should include a curriculum vitae, a cover letter that includes a statement of research and teaching interests, two or three representative publications in pdf format, and the names and contact information of three references. Send materials (electronic submissions only, subject line should read "Anthropology Search") to Prof. Lee Cronk, Search Committee Chair, at [lcronk@anthropology.rutgers.edu](mailto:lcronk@anthropology.rutgers.edu). Review of applications will begin February 20, 2012.

The **American Anthropologist (AA)** seeks applications for the position of book review editor. Although there is some flexibility in when the position would begin, preferred starting dates are July 1, 2012 or January 1, 2013. The host institution of the book review editor must provide an office with space for books sent by publishers. Some financial support for the office may be available from the American Anthropological Association, but at this time it is not known how much, if any, will be available. The current book review editor has the help of two graduate assistants working four hours a week year-round; the approximate cost for this is \$8,000. An automated system has been developed to aid in the work flow associated with sending requests to potential reviewers and receiving reviews.

Applicants should send a cover letter and a curriculum vitae to Michael Chibnik, the incoming editor-in-chief of the AA, by March 15, 2012. The cover letter should outline the applicant's qualifications, indicate a probable starting date, describe what kinds of support the host institution can provide, and state what kinds of additional support with an estimated budget would be needed from the American Anthropological Association. Cover letters, curriculum vitae, can be sent by email ([michael-chibnik@uiowa.edu](mailto:michael-chibnik@uiowa.edu)) or hard copy (Michael Chibnik, Department of Anthropology, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa 52242). Question about details of the position can be sent to the same addresses.

AAA is pleased to offer two internship opportunities funded by member donations for the summer of 2012. In partnership with host organizations in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area, one placement will focus on cultural resource management, historical preservation and artifact conservation, the other on gender theory as it relates to African culture and art. Click here for details and application: <http://www.aaanet.org/profdev/internships/AAA-Summer-Internship-Program.cfm>.



# FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS

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Note the list of fellowships on the AAA's web site: <http://www.aaanet.org/profdev/fellowships/>

## **AAA Minority Dissertation Fellowship**

The American Anthropological Association invites minority doctoral candidates in anthropology to apply for a dissertation writing fellowship of \$10,000. The annual AAA Minority Dissertation Fellowship is intended to encourage members of ethnic minorities to complete doctoral degrees in anthropology, thereby increasing diversity in the discipline and/or promoting research on issues of concern among minority populations. Dissertation topics in all areas of the discipline are welcome. Doctoral students who require financial assistance to complete the write-up phase of the dissertation are urged to apply.

The deadline to apply is February 15th. Please visit our website for more information.

## **AAA Leadership Mentoring Award Program**

The American Anthropological Association is pleased to announce the annual AAA Leadership Mentoring Award Program. The purpose of this mentorship/award program is to provide a unique opportunity for anthropologists early in their careers to learn about AAA and leadership opportunities and to encourage future leadership in the association. Anthropologists three to five years beyond completion of their terminal graduate degree are encouraged to apply. Each year a group of three to five awardees (mentees) will be paired with a mentor chosen from among AAA leadership. Mentors will be available to mentees throughout the year to answer questions related to AAA. Mentees will shadow mentors at the AAA Annual Meeting where there will also be a lunch scheduled for all mentors and mentees to share their experiences in the program.

Mentees will be provided a travel subsidy of \$500 to attend the next AAA Annual Meeting. The deadline to apply is March 15th.

The Archaeological Institute of America offers several Scholarships, Fellowships, and Grants for archaeological research and publications. Information on them can be found at <http://www.archaeological.org/grants> on the AIA's website.

The deadline for several of them is November 1.





# INTRAMURAL GRANTS

**Call for Proposals - 2011-2012 Instructional Improvement Program Grants**, Proposals Due February 21, 5 PM. A draft pre-proposal or a pre-proposal meeting with Instructional Development consultants is strongly encouraged to help develop the strongest possible proposals. Applicants are also encouraged to make use of Instructional Development's staff in reviewing drafts, developing budgets, and designing appropriate evaluation methods. For the full Call for Proposals go to:  
<http://grants.id.ucsb.edu/instructional-improvement-grant>

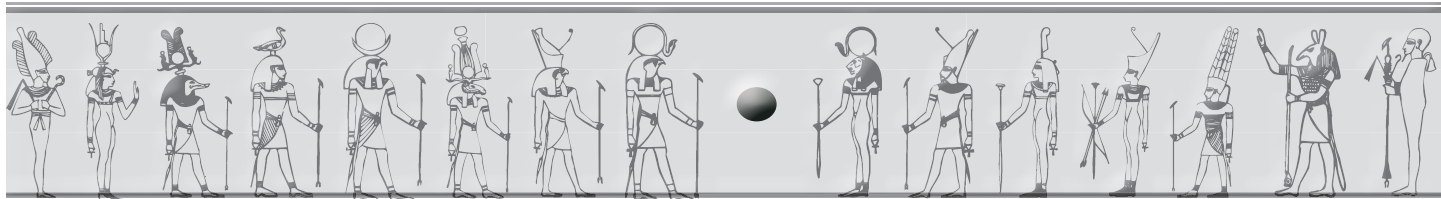
For information or assistance of any kind contact George Michaels ([george@id.ucsb.edu](mailto:george@id.ucsb.edu)), Dr. Kim DeBacco (<[kim@id.ucsb.edu](mailto:kim@id.ucsb.edu)>, x-2828), Dr. Lisa Berry (<[lisa@id.ucsb.edu](mailto:lisa@id.ucsb.edu)>, x-8395), or the Office of Instructional Consultation (893-2972) within Instructional Development.

## UC MEXUS

2012 Calls for Proposals for the following programs are now available at [www.ucmexus.ucr.edu](http://www.ucmexus.ucr.edu):  
UC MEXUS-CONACYT Collaborative Research Grants ([http://ucmexus.ucr.edu/funding/grant\\_collaborative.html](http://ucmexus.ucr.edu/funding/grant_collaborative.html))  
UC MEXUS-CONACYT Postdoctoral Fellowships ([http://ucmexus.ucr.edu/funding/fellowship\\_post\\_doc.html](http://ucmexus.ucr.edu/funding/fellowship_post_doc.html))  
Deadline for both programs is March 5.

## Faculty Research Grants

Proposals submitted for the March 29 research grant deadline will be considered for funding that will become available next fiscal year, 2012-13. Campus budget cuts have resulted in further reductions in the amount of grant funds available and, therefore, in the number and size of projects that can be funded. Please give careful consideration to your budget requests and include only costs that are essential for accomplishing the project. Faculty should not incur any costs or make any commitments in anticipation of grant awards until the Senate office confirms the availability of funding for the 2012-13 fiscal year. This may not be known until Fall 2012. For more information see:  
<https://senate.ucsb.edu/grants/faculty.research/>



# CONFERENCES

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*(Please note that the AAA also maintains a list of conferences on its website,  
at [http://www.aaanet.org/meetings/meetings\\_cal.cfm](http://www.aaanet.org/meetings/meetings_cal.cfm).)*

**The Southern California Academy of Sciences Call for Papers:** Professionals and students are welcome to submit abstracts for oral or poster presentations for the Annual Meeting, May 4-5, 2012, Occidental College, Los Angeles. Abstract submission by April 2 and pre-registration to April 23. For more information see:  
<http://scas.jsd.claremont.edu/annual/annual.html>

The **Buffalo TAG 2012 ("Bridges to New Worlds," May 17-20, University of Buffalo, NY)** Scientific Committee has posted the list of approved sessions, available on their website. The deadline for the submission of individual papers is now **March 1, 2012**. Please note that registration is required prior to any submission. You may either submit a general paper proposal, which the scientific committee will after reviewing it assign to a topical or general session or indicate in the registration to which of the approved sessions you would like to submit your proposal. The Scientific Committee will coordinate your submission with the session organizers.