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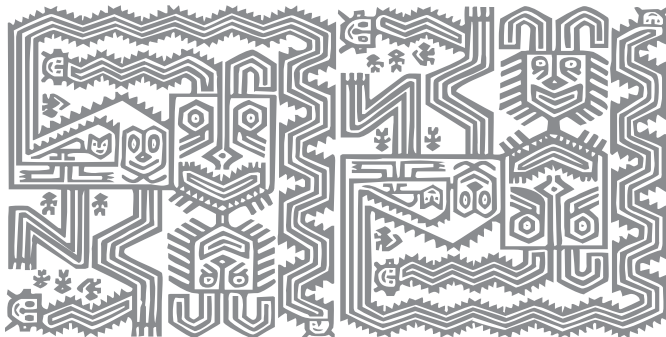
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Welcome back to what I hope will be a great beginning to Spring Quarter.



Congratulations to John Tooby and Leda Cosmides at being named this year's Faculty Research Lecturers! The Faculty Research Lecturer is the highest honor the UCSB faculty can bestow on one of its members, and they join a list of distinguished scholars from our campus. You can find a press release here: <http://www.ia.ucsb.edu/pa/display.aspx?pkey=2666>



Kudos to Kristin Hoppa for receiving a Mildred E. Mathias Student Research Grant Award from the University of California Natural Reserve System. Mathias grants are awarded to UC graduate students based on the academic merits of their proposals and use of one or more NRS reserves to conduct their research. The grant program is named for UCLA botanist Mildred E. Mathias. Known as the founding mother of the NRS, Mathias chaired the NRS University-wide committee for an unsurpassed 21 years.



Last but not least, congratulations to Susan Kuzminsky for being awarded the Dean's Advancement Fellowship for this quarter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

DEPARTMENT SEARCHES

I am happy to report that interviews are finished for the Biological Anthropologist (IAS) position, so we should have a decision on a candidate soon! Note, however, that no one should make any general announcement before all of the candidates are notified. We still have two more candidates coming to campus for a Sociocultural Ecological Anthropologist (SAAB), their job talks are on Tuesday April 10th and 17th, 3:30 in HSSB 2001a, reception following.

<http://www.anth.ucsb.edu/jobs.php>

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 if interested.

AGSA ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Helpful Links

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

LECTURES & SYMPOSIA

Archaeology RFG: Tuesday, April 3rd, 3:00 pm in HSSB 2001a: Prof. John Adams, Head of Archaeology, University of Southampton, UK; "The Archaeology of Shipwrecks: Treasuring the Past?" // Co-Sponsored by the Department of Anthropology; Reception following.

CEP: Wednesday April 4th, 4 pm in Campbell Hall: **Richard Dawkins**—evolutionary biologist and best-selling author of *The Selfish Gene*, *The Extended Phenotype*, *The Blind Watchmaker*, *The Ancestor's Tale*, and many others—will be giving a free public lecture to the UCSB community on the topic of how adaptive design emerges in living things through natural selection. This event is being hosted by UCSB's Center for Evolutionary Psychology, and **free tickets will be available beginning at 3:00PM** in front of Campbell Hall. See <http://www.psych.ucsb.edu/research/cep/> or email dawkins_talk@thecep.org for details.

Danta: Association for Conservation of the Tropics is pleased to announce its summer 2012 field courses in tropical biology held in Costa Rica. Our courses are intended for undergraduates or early graduate level students who have a keen interest in tropical biology and conservation, but have little or no experience of working in a tropical environment. Participants may enroll on either a credit or non-credit basis.

Summer Session 2012

Primate Behavior and Conservation (June 11 ? July 8, 2012).

Course Coordinator: Kimberly Dingess, Department of Anthropology, Indiana University, Bloomington; Dr. Suzanne Strait, Biology, Marshall University; Guest Lecturer: Dr. Thomas Struhsaker, Evolutionary Anthropology, Duke University.

Sea Turtle Conservation and Tropical Herpetology (July 10- August 5, 2012)

Course Coordinator: Dr. Steffen Reichle, Science Director, The Nature Conservancy.

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You are invited to attend a WORKSHOP on How to Find Funding for Your Research, Wednesday, April 4 at 12 noon, SSMS 1303. The workshop will teach you how to use our campus subscription search engine, COSPIVOT. Both Faculty and Graduate Students welcome.

