



LIFE SCIENCE NEWS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

UAF Faculty and Grad Students

**Alaska EPSCoR
(Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive
Research) announces a competition for travel
funding.**

Two purposes will be funded in this competition: 1) for faculty and graduate students: conference presentations, and 2) for faculty only: collaboration and exchange.

Each of our science components has designated amounts available this fiscal year: Biology: \$10,000 conference and \$5,000 exchange. Social Science: \$7,000 conference and \$15,000 exchange. Physical Science: \$7,000 split between conference and exchange. Because most awards are limited to \$1,000 for domestic and \$1,500 for international travel, it is possible that your travel expenses will be greater than an EPSCoR travel award. We encourage you to consider this award as a supplement to other sources. Travel funding is available until funds are exhausted.

To be considered, faculty and graduate students will need to be working in an area of research supported by Alaska EPSCoR. Our project is entitled "Resilience and Vulnerability in a Rapidly Changing North: The Integration of Physical, Biological and Social Processes." Information about the project is available on our website, www.alaska.edu/epscor, under "Research Focus Areas—Phase III." See also the project summary noted with this announcement. Applications which clearly show interdisciplinary work around the theme of resilience and vulnerability will be given priority.

Please remember the deadlines are January 30, and April 30. Send your application both to fyepscor@uaf.edu and anne.sudkamp@alaska.edu or 474.5880.

Application information is now available for the **2008 Global Change Student Research Grant Competition**. Applicants must have graduate or undergraduate status in a degree-granting program at UAF at the time the proposed research will be conducted. Information can be downloaded at <http://www.cgsc.uaf.edu> or picked up from the Center for Global Change, Room 306 Akasofu Bldg. (IARC), or the Graduate School, Room 202 Eielson. Proposal deadline is Friday, February 22, 2008.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

Noon - IAB Break Room - 3rd floor

CANHR will host a pizza lunch for graduate students to meet **Sangita Sharma**, candidate for Associate/Assistant Professor of Nutrition and Physical Activity. Pizza and pop will be provided.

For more information, please contact Michelle Dondanville at x6230.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

2:00 p.m. - Elvey Auditorium

"Dietary Assessment and Development of Nutritional Intervention Programs for Chronic Disease Prevention in Arctic and Indigenous Populations"

Sangita Sharma, PhD, Assistant Professor, Nutritional Epidemiologist at the Cancer Research Center of Hawaii, University of Hawaii.

Dr. Sharma is a candidate for an Associate/Assistant Professor of Nutrition and Physical Activity with the Institute of Arctic Biology and the Department of Biology and Wildlife.

The presentation will include the development of dietary assessment methodologies specifically for these populations to highlight foods and nutrients for an intervention for diabetes prevention. Data will be presented on food and nutrient intake, dietary adequacy, as well as examples shown of the planned intervention components.

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NO LIFE SCIENCES SEMINAR THIS WEEK

→→TRAVEL→→

- **Bert Boyer**, 1/13-15, Bethel and Nunapitchuk, AK, meetings
- **Erich Follmann**, 1/9-19, Prudhoe Bay, AK, fieldwork
- **Troy Hegel**, 1/14-6/17, Oslo, Norway, attend the University of Oslo
- **Scarlett Hopkins**, 1/13-17, Bethel and Nunapitchuk, AK, meetings
- **Nate Pamperin**, 1/9-19, Prudhoe Bay, AK, fieldwork
- **Renee Parsley**, 1/17-20, San Diego, CA, attend Architecture of Chemistry: Building Strange Structures

Quote of the week:

“I haven’t failed; I’ve found 10,000 ways that don’t work.”

~Ben Franklin