Announcements

IAB names new deputy directors. IAB Director Brian M. Barnes is pleased to announce the appointments of Professor Jay Jones and Professor Diane O’Brien each as Deputy Directors of IAB effective February 1, 2016. They will help with Institute leadership, direction, management, and outreach of our research and graduate training programs. I thank them for their interest and service. Professor Roger Ruess and Professor Bert Boyer will remain as Associate Directors.

MyUA and UA Career training sessions offered. Schedule here.

Study environmental change in Arctic Alaska this summer. Join the UAF summer field course in Arctic Alaska Environmental Change June 1-15, 2016. Details.

Our Arctic Nation" blog, an initiative of the U.S. Chairmanship of the Arctic Council on how each state is connected to the Arctic available online.

UAF HR announces new recruitment and employee service portals: UA Careers is the new applicant site and MyUA is the single sign-on employee portal for onboarding, performance management and e-learning.

Ecosystem Science and Sustainability faculty position at Colorado State University. Details here.

Events and Seminars

7 March 2016
• Thesis Defense: Modulating neuronal aging: Insights from insulin signaling genes and Alaskan nutraceuticals
  Courtney Scerbak
  B&W
  1:30PM - 2:30PM
  O’Neill Bldg, rm 201, Vera Alexander Learning Center

9 March 2016
• Thesis Defense: Kaposi’s Sarcoma-associated Herpesvirus Replication and Transcription Activator Regulates Extracellular Matrix Signal Pathway
  Daniel Pfalmer
  2:30PM - 3:30PM
  Akasofu Bldg, rm 401 (IARC)

11 March 2016
• Thesis Defense: Diet and Habitat of the Little Brown Bat in Interior and Northern Alaska
  Rachel Shively
  9:15AM - 10:15AM
  Murie Bldg, rm 107

Travel

• Falke, Jeff, 3/7/16 - 3/11/16, Santa Fe, NM, Attend USGS Cooperative Research Units National Meeting

• Griffith, Brad, 3/7/16 - 3/11/16, Santa Fe, NM, Attend USGS Cooperative Research Units National
Meeting

- **Harrington, Phillip**, 3/5/16 - 3/9/16, New Orleans, LA, Attend NCURA FRA Conference

- **McGuire, Dave**, 3/7/16 - 3/11/16, Santa Fe, NM, Attend USGS Cooperative Research Units National Meeting

- **Wipfli, Mark**, 3/7/16 - 3/11/16, Santa Fe, NM, Attend USGS Cooperative Research Units National Meeting

Grants and Awards

Go to the IAB funding opportunities webpage, [www.iab.uaf.edu/research/funding_opps.php](http://www.iab.uaf.edu/research/funding_opps.php), for the latest on available grants, scholarships, fellowships, and awards.

New IAB Publications

Legend: f=faculty, r=research scientist, s=staff, e=emeritus, a=affiliate, g=grad student, p=post-doc, u=undergrad student, h=high school student

- **Harms, Tamara K. (f)**, Edmonds, Jennifer W., **Genet, Helene (f)**, Creed, Irena F., Aldred, David, Balser, Andrew, and **Jones, Jeremy B. (f)** (2016). Catchment influence on nitrate and dissolved organic matter in Alaskan streams across a latitudinal gradient. Journal of Geophysical Research: Biogeosciences n/a-n/a [IAB 4214].

See the [UAF Cornerstone](http://uafcornerstone.net/) for more news and events (http://uafcornerstone.net/).

Quote of the Day

A person will sometimes devote all his life to the development of one part of his body - the wishbone.

Robert Frost