Announcements

IAB is accepting applications for Graduate Research Awards for summer.
Awardees will each receive up to $7,000. Submit your proposals to uaf-iab-directoroffice@alaska.edu no later than 5 p.m. on May 8, 2017.

Congratulations, Eugenie Euskirchen!
Eugenie is the recipient of the 2017 Emil Usibelli Distinguished Research Award for her work in Arctic science.

Open Enrollment ends May 15. This is your annual opportunity to change health plans, add or drop dependents, start or increase supplemental life or Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) insurance. This is also when you can sign up for the Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA) or the Health Savings Account (HSA, must be on the CDHP for this one). Everything can be found online, just follow the link from the benefits web site www.alaska.edu/benefits.

BLaST Request for Proposals for Equipment
The BLaST program invites proposals for the purchase of equipment to support student biomedical research training. For more information, please visit alaska.edu/blast/blast-equipment-purchase/
Proposal due date: May 2, 2017.

IAB Faculty: Please review your current Faculty Time Off (FTO) balance. As a reminder, your FTO balance lapses at the end of the academic year. You can review your balance by logging into your UAOnline account or contact the IAB Human Resource Office at 474-2781 or 474-6676 for assistance.

Events and Seminars

3 May 2017
• Thesis Defense: Environmental DNA sampling and spatial modeling as means to investigate wood frog (Rana sylvatica) range extent in northern Alaska
Mark Spangler
B&W
1:00PM - 2:00PM
Murie Bldg, rm 103/105

Travel
• Breen, Amy, 5/3/17 - 5/5/17, Fairbanks, AK, Ecosystem Model Meeting

LIFE SCIENCE HOUR SEMINAR
Friday, 5 May 2017
3:00 PM - Murie Life Science Bldg, Murie Auditorium.
Using ancient genomes to explore the evolutionary history of Pleistocene Megafauna
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• **Griffith, Brad**, 5/1/17 - 5/5/17, Whitehorse, YT, Attend Porcupine Caribou Technical Committee Meeting

• **Sasha Kitayski**, 4/18/17 - 5/4/17, Seattle, WA, Work with Collaborators at University of Washington Museum

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**IAB in the News**

4/23/17: Alaska Dispatch News

*Thick ice formations in Arctic rivers are melting earlier in summer*

Toolik Field Station

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

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**Quote of the Day**

Read in order to live.

*Gustave Flaubert*