Academic Affairs Leadership Team (AALT) Reports

Artis College of Science and Technology -

Radford University Chapter of the Wildlife Society Conducts Virtual Speaker Series
The student chapter of The Wildlife Society at Radford University is interviewing wildlife and environmental consulting professionals in Fall 2020, and these segments are made available to members to help as they consider future career paths. In a typical year, the organization would host guests on campus, but with the COVID 19 pandemic and needed restrictions in place, virtual programs made the most sense to keep students and professionals connected. “Our officers are conducting one-on-one interviews with the professionals, asking about schooling, experiences, and suggestions for our undergrads” stated Dr. Karen Powers who serves as a faculty advisor to the group.

Organization co-president Angie Mattox added “By conducting interviews I was able to gain a more specified knowledge of the job itself and of the requirements needed to obtain a career in the field of water quality management and fisheries. This is a very valuable process that strengthens communication and professional skills.” Thus far, students have interviewed and shared sessions with representatives of the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources, and the Natural Heritage Program. In addition to exploring the normal work life of their guests, students are gaining insight into the changes that have been made to address the challenges of the pandemic and how the work can still take place.

One of the areas repeatedly stressed in the interviews are that students really benefit from field work and research projects that explore the working world they will experience after graduation. This is a strength across many majors in the Artis College and a point of pride for student success. The series continues throughout the semester with plans to expand the program in Spring 2021. 

https://youtu.be/TdBVKsFRmHo
https://youtu.be/bfyjmH-Pi-U

College of Humanities & Behavioral Sciences -

From the Holocaust to Now: Visual Narratives of Trauma
Roann Barris of the RU Department of Art will present “From the Holocaust to Now: Visual Narratives of Trauma” on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 4:00 p.m. Dr. Barris’s talk is part of “World War II: Experience and Legacy,” an on-campus series to commemorate the end of the Second World War 75 years ago.

Participants may attend in-person at McConnell Library, Rm. 271 (iLab, in the CITL, on the 2nd level of the library). Advanced registration is required as seating is limited, owing to social distancing guidelines. For in-person attendance and more information about the series, please visit the Department of History web page. An online option via Zoom is also available. For attendance via Zoom, please use the following link: WW II Series Zoom.

This series is sponsored by the Department of History, the College of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences, and McConnell Library. For further information, please contact Suzanne Ament (seament@radford.edu) or Matt Oyos moyos@radford.edu).
McConnell Library –

McConnell Library will offer expanded hours the last week of classes and finals week.

Sunday, Nov. 8:  10:00 am - midnight  
Monday, Nov. 9 through Thursday, Nov. 12:  7:30 am - midnight  
Friday, Nov. 13:  7:30 am – 8:00 pm  
Saturday, Nov. 14:  10:00 am – 8:00 pm  
Sunday, Nov. 15:  10:00 am - midnight  
Monday, Nov. 16 through Thursday, Nov. 19:  7:30 am – midnight  
Friday, Nov. 20:  7:30 am – 8:00 pm

McConnell Library’s Student Engagement Action League borrowed an idea from the Hampden-Sydney library and put together bags for quarantined students. The bags let students know that the library is still here for them even though they are confined to their rooms. Dining Services will deliver a bag to each quarantined student, along with their meal, on their first day of quarantine. Bag contents are pictured. Kudos to Karen Montgomery, Christi Wayne, Beth Johnson, and Jennifer Whicker for putting these together!

Academic Programs –

Harvey Knowledge Center is Seeking Recommendations for Academic Coaches

Have you taught or worked with a student who is great at collaborating, problem solving, and partnering with their peers? Did you have an exceptional student who really understood the underlying principles or workings of the content and its application? Recommend them to become an academic coach!

Academic Coaches do not have to be perfect students who always succeed. Instead, we look for the following traits in our academic coaches:

- Good communication skills
- Collaborative interactions with their peers, rather than dominating discussion or class activities
- Respond to failure or struggle by seeking to grow and improve
- Desire to learn new things and expand their knowledge, instead of focusing on only what they are good at
Academic Coaches are Radford students who are trained to facilitate goal setting, help students develop transferrable skills, and explore subject-specific content in order to empower their peers to meet personalized learning goals. Academic Coaches earn $9 an hour and participate in ongoing professional development within a community of practice.

To recommend a student, please visit [https://tinyurl.com/RecommendStudent](https://tinyurl.com/RecommendStudent) or stop by [www.radford.edu/hkc](http://www.radford.edu/hkc) and click Join Our Team.

**Citizen Leader**

If you identified your course as civic engagement or civic learning, your course may align with the mission of the Citizen Leader Program. Come and talk with me about your course receiving Citizen Leader designation for Fall 2021 or Spring 2022. I have a weekly zoom session each Friday from 11 am to 1 pm. Please come by. If the time does not fit with your schedule, please send me an email and we can find a time to chat, jmistele@radford.edu

Zoom Link: [https://radford.zoom.us/j/98864752641](https://radford.zoom.us/j/98864752641) Password: 075539

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THINKING ABOUT LAW SCHOOL?

PRE-LAW Q&A
ZOOM EVENTS

HEAR ABOUT EACH INDIVIDUAL LAW PROGRAM

GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS TO ADMISSIONS OFFICERS

FIGURE OUT WHAT YOUR NEXT STEPS SHOULD BE

Thursday, November 5th
4-5 PM

Thursday, November 12th
4-5 PM

Tuesday, November 10th
4-5 PM

Thursday, November 18th
3:30-4:30 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION/ZOOM LINKS:
SCAN THE QR CODE OR
EMAIL AYANKLE@RADFORD.EDU