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Happy Holidays from the Academy

All of us at the Academy want to thank all of you for a great year! We wish you a happy holiday season, warm winter break, and look forward to seeing and working with you in 2019!

[Watch the Video Greeting](#)



Comparative Education Lecture with Fulbright Scholar, Jairo Viales

What is education like in Costa Rica compared to the United States? Join Jairo Viales as he shares some of the values and practices of educators in his home country and enjoy some traditional Costa Rican fare and fellowship!

GIFTS: Great Ideas for Teaching Speech

As we end the fall semester and begin preparations for the spring, consider attending the Communication Arts GIFTS Workshop and share your favorite idea, exercise, rubric, or teaching technique. The session also includes a GoReact/Video Recording System round table.

Spring 2019 Faculty/Staff Orientation Week Schedule

Spring 2019 Faculty/Staff Orientation Week is Tuesday, January 8 - Saturday, January 12. The schedule is now available.

Sign Up for a Library Instruction Session

Harper librarians can help you design a student research session that focuses on finding resources for a specific project, general research tips, or citation assistance.

Mental Health First Aid: Higher Education Edition

Have you ever encountered a person experiencing psychological distress and wondered what to do? Learn more about how you can support Harper's culture of care.

Student Learning Showcase

Diverse Perspectives & Cultures Update!

Submitted by the Diverse Perspectives & Cultures Work Group of the Learning Assessment Committee

Remember the Spring 2017 [Diverse Perspectives & Cultures general education assessment](#)? Through this assessment, we learned that students need additional support regarding this outcome.

[Learn more](#) about the results, feedback from faculty, and improvement plan developed by the Learning Assessment Committee.

We also hope you'll join us as we roll out [Diverse Perspectives & Cultures development opportunities](#) in the coming months--Lunch & Learn sessions, GEC, resources, and more!

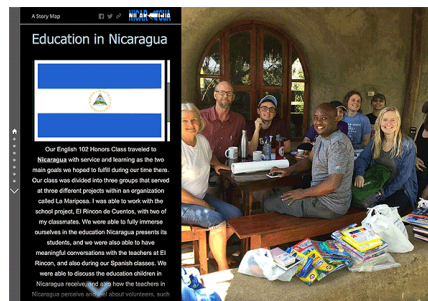


The Faculty Lounge

Teaching with Geospatial Technologies

Written by Mukila Maitha, Assistant Professor, Geography

The Teaching with Geospatial Technologies Community of Practice brings together faculty who have an active interest in the use and infusion of GIS (Geographic Information Systems), GPS (Global Positioning Systems), and Earth Imagery in the curriculum. The CoP's goal is to promote the use of these technologies by faculty from diverse disciplines across the college and to promote collaboration among the CoP members.



This semester the CoP reached out to faculty from all division to find out who might be interested in having a GIS activity created for at least one course. The response was stronger than expected with 20 departments expressing interest in a GIS project.

[Read More](#)

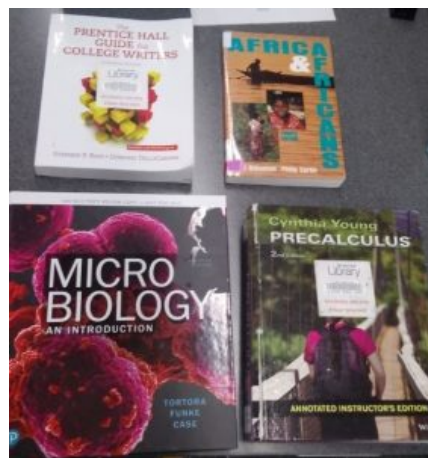
What's Up with That: Things You May Be Wondering About on Campus

Course Reserves

Written by Amanda Oddo, Library Assistant, Library Services

Are textbook costs creating a barrier for students from succeeding in your class? The library's Course Reserve Collection can help. Materials placed on reserve by instructors assure their availability and accessibility for class use.

[Learn More](#)



Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Comparative Education Lecture: Costa Rica

December 12, 6 p.m. (CEUs: 0.2)

GIFTS: Great Ideas for Teaching Speech

December 13, 3 p.m. (CEUs: 0.2)

Spring 2019 Faculty/Staff Orientation Week

January 8 - January 12

STEMBusters: Strategies for STEM Inclusivity

January 11, 8:30 a.m. (CEUs: 0.3)

Introduction to POGIL

January 25, 1 p.m. (CEUs: 0.3)

Teaching Online Successfully: Create (online)

January 28 - February 10 (GEC: 1)



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Faculty Photos



What's Happening @ Harper?

New!

[Celebration of Giving for In-district Elementary Schools](#)
[Cultural Arts Committee Seeking Suggestions for Speakers](#)
[Harper Leadership Institute 2019-2020](#)
[Social Justice Leadership Certificate](#)
[Winter Wonderland Holiday Party](#)

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[Community Resources for Students](#)
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[Hawks Care Services for Students](#)
[Job Information Module for Blackboard](#)
[ReUseIt Room](#)
[Title IX: It's on Us](#)
[Use the Campus Map to Find Classrooms & Offices](#)
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