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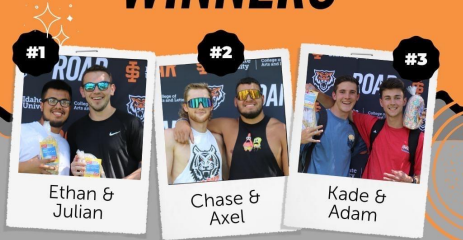
Idaho State University INCLUDE II Project Receives \$30,000 to Provide Telehealth Services to Rural Idaho Students

In 2020, the College of Arts and Letters received a Distance Learning grant, INCLUDE I, with which it built partnerships with 29 rural high schools, and established a distance learning network.

INCLUDE I is a College of Arts and Letters initiative that focuses on distance education. INCLUDE II is campus-wide, and builds on the infrastructure provided by INCLUDE I to focus on providing clinical mental and physical health care and education to rural students, and opioid and health education to faculty, parents, and community members. [Continue Reading...](#)

2nd Annual Cornhole Tournament is a Hit!

TOURNAMENT WINNERS



Congratulations on winning the Second Annual Cornhole Tournament!



Double the numbers, double the fun! More than twice as many people participated in this year's cornhole event. Students, faculty, and staff enjoyed games, friendly competition, pizza, ice cream, and slip n'slide. This year's winners earned cash prizes. Winning team name ... "Corn in the USA."



The 2022 issue, T shirt, and stickers are now available for purchase on the [BR&S website](#) and they ship! Or you can contact brs@isu.edu to order.

Black Rock and Sage

The publication of the 2022 issue of *Black Rock & Sage*, ISU's student journal of creative works launched on September 29.

Contributors shared their work with musical performances, art displays, and readings.

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We Really Need this for the Community: Department of Psychology Applied Behavior Analysis Minor

It's so amazing to be able to show families, look at the progress you've made!



Knowing that applied behavioral analysis would be growing in the state of Idaho, the Department of Psychology at Idaho State University wanted to develop a minor that would support students wanting to enter into that field.

In Spring 2022 the very first class with the Applied Behavioral Analysis Minor in psychology graduated. Every class within the minor is available online, and the courses in the program are in high demand.

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History Highlights

Research in Ireland

In May, graduate students from the MA in History program, Cassie Ashdown, Tyler Holman, and Jon Madson, traveled to Dublin, Ireland, to experience the city and conduct research relevant to their respective areas of study.

The trip came at the end of the spring

semester, during which the students took HIST 4445: Modern Irish History with Department of History Associate Professor Justin Dolan Stover. Dr. Stover was already in Ireland conducting his own research when the students arrived.

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*From left to right:
Cassie Ashdown, Tyler Holman, Justin Dolan Stover, Jon Madson*



Zackery Heern Receives ASMEA Grant



Liberal Arts High: A Taste of Higher Ed

Professor Zackery Heern, Department of History, has earned a grant from the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA). The grant was awarded to develop a single-authored paper, which addresses the question of Iraq's emergence as a state in the context of the First World War with a special focus on the interplay between British imperialism and Shi'ism.

Instead of assuming that British imperialists single-handedly created Iraq or that ethno-sectarian divisions are the natural order in Iraq, this paper suggests that the relationship between Britain and Shi'ism played a critical role in the formation of the Iraqi state.

As part of the grant, ASMEA is reviewing the paper for publication in its peer-reviewed academic journal.

Liberal Arts High gives students in high school a taste of higher education, with visiting professors from departments of the College of Arts and Letters programs.

Courses range from Forensic Anthropology: As Not Seen on TV, and How Can I Help? Strategies for Helping Someone Experiencing a Mental Health Problem, to Getting Your Ensembles to Groove.

"Liberal Arts High is a fantastic way to bring what we do on campus into our community," Stango said. "It is really a fun experience."

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Below:

Standing in front of 28 high school students in Mrs. Call's 11A English class at Pocatello High School, Student Teacher and Idaho State student Shelby Killian introduced her college professor and mentor Dr. Marie Stango to the class.



2022-2023 Road Scholars Recognized at First Home Game



Alan Johnson receives a Fulbright-Nehru Senior Scholar Award for Research in India

Professor of English Alan Johnson has received a Fulbright-Nehru Senior Scholar award for research in Gujarat, India, in Spring 2023. Johnson will examine religious pilgrimage narratives that appeared in Gujarat in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Johnson reasons that these narratives informed Indian literary descriptions of a modernizing India.

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ISU Chamber Choir Selected to Perform at October 7, 2022 Idaho ACDA Gala Concert



Every fall the Idaho American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) hosts a fall conference in Boise. Teachers and choral conductors from all over the state participate in workshops, master classes, and concerts.

The sixteen singers of the Idaho State University Chamber Choir and pianist Gabe Lowman will perform in the Cathedral of the Rockies Sanctuary for the event's Gala Concert on October 7, 7:00 p.m. under the direction of Dr. Scott Anderson, Professor of Music and Voice and Director of Choral Activities in the Department of Music at ISU.

"We were invited to perform at the main concert," Anderson says. "It's a huge, beautiful space for a choir to sing in, and it's an honor for us to be selected."

The Friday night Gala Concert will feature performances by the Idaho State University Chamber Singers, The Boise State University Meistersingers, and the Idaho ACDA Invitational Conference Choir.

Eight ISU Chamber Choir singers will also be part of the Idaho ACDA Invitational Conference Choir: Sopranos Miren Gabiola and Crystal Levato; Altos Emily Alldrin and Deanna Cole; Tenors John DeRouen and Jullio Murillo; and Basses Jesse Crabtree and Maximo Orr. Conducting will be Maria Guinand, a well-known choral conductor from Venezuela.

Guinand is a world renowned master conductor. Her specialty is South American music. and the invitational choir will perform a program featuring Venezuelan and South and Central American composers.

As part of the conference, members of the choral community across Idaho have the opportunity to attend workshops and sessions and hear performances during the three day event. Participants in the conference are varied. They include children's, women's, men's, high school, and university choirs.

Anderson says, "Any of our students who are potentially going into teaching have the opportunity to hear choirs of different levels. This is a great educational opportunity for them."

For the ISU Chamber Choir program, Anderson says he has taken a great deal of time to carefully select pieces that convey a message of hope and healing and of looking forward to the future.

"We're ending our set with the beautiful, sublime "We Shall Walk Through the Valley of Peace" arranged by Moses Hogan," Anderson says. "That summarizes what our program is about."

Anderson looks at the conference as a way to share the ISU choral music program with a larger community.

"So many of the people that graduate from ISU end up teaching in the state," he says. "A lot of people in the audience will have ties to ISU. We're singing for many of the conductors of the state and there will be a couple hundred high school students there. It shows that ISU has one of the strongest programs in the state."

Idaho ACDA Fall 2022 Conference events will be held at Cathedral of the Rockies at 717 North 11th Street in Boise, Idaho from October 6-8. The public is welcome to attend conference events. For more information or to register, please visit idacda.org, or visit the [IDAHO ACDA Facebook Group](#). Tickets for the October 7 Gala Concert can be purchased at the door for \$10. Cash, check, or card accepted.

Meet the CAL Marcom Team!



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Beth Curtis

Marketing and Communications Coordinator

Looking forward to...

Meeting people and hearing their stories then sharing those with the community.

A bit about Beth...

I love nature, walks, working out, baking, art and music, learning, reading. I write poetry and short stories. I love being Mom to my four kids. My oldest is in college now too!

Why ISU?

Working as an office assistant for the Dean's office for over a year I had so many opportunities. I could see how I was going to keep growing and how I could make a meaningful contribution here. It's a great office to work for! Being a CAL gal myself I believe in the programs and respect the faculty in our college. I want to promote what CAL is and does. We do some pretty amazing things and I'm happy to be doing my part by sharing those stories.



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Why ISU?

I had such wonderful opportunities to learn and grow during my time at ISU, especially in my role as a CPI for CAL. I love that I can use the knowledge to help CAL grow as well.

A bit about Kaylee...

I have four associate degrees from CSI: an AS in Baking and Pastry Arts and AAs in Communication, History, and Liberal Arts. I earned my BA in Communication, Media, and Persuasion and a minor in History here at ISU.

Looking forward to...

I look forward to using my skills in support of the college.

Kaylee McKay

Creative Strategist | Brand Ambassador | Media Manager



Ezra Abernathy
Visual Content Creator CPI

Why ISU?

I was really interested in the opportunity to grow my photo and video skills and experience!

Looking forward to...

I'm really excited to get to make content to share and document the stories of the departments in the College!

A bit about Ezra...

I'm a Music and Computer Science double major. I'm very interested in both the performing and technical roles of film and theater, and I hope to be able to do more of that in the future!

CAL Marketing and Communications Processes and Contact

CAL Marcom has been working on updating processes and providing easy-to-follow resource links on our CAL website to make everyone's efforts at marketing easier! These resources are specific to our college, and condensed into easier-to-follow steps. These will go live soon. Watch for an email in the upcoming weeks.

Some new helps for you:

- Brand approval process
- How to request design help
- Logo usage
- Social Media Directory
- Social Media Icons
- Canva Account Password Request Form
- Annual Rack Card Process
- Shared folder for CAL photo/video footage
- Training and templates

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Graduate Students are now invited to submit abstracts for the 6th Annual Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition on November 10.



Halloween-themed
desktop wallpapers!

Courtesy of Kaylee McKay.

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