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All The Details

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DFLL Spring 2019 Open House

Date: Wed., March 6, 2019
Time: 2:30 pm-4:00 pm
Location: INTO Breezeway (Bridge)
Contact: Dr. Hope, shope@uab.edu

Stop by for advising, good conversation with friends and faculty, games, music, and free food. We hope to see you!

Need Advising?

Holly Henning is UAB's College of Arts and Sciences advisor of Foreign Languages and Literatures majors, double majors, SSPC students and minors (HHB 404; 205.934.6135) hhenning@uab.edu).



I hope that everyone is having a good spring semester so far. This year we are very excited to roll out our new Applied Professional Spanish major concentration. If you are interested in it, come to me or ask your language professor. Remember that our FL major is now 39 credits and it may be a good fit for you as a first or second major. We also offer minors in Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Spanish, and a certificate in Spanish for Specific Purposes. We offer introductory classes in Arabic and Italian too. I warmly invite all of you to join us for our Spring Open House on March 6. Let me or any of our professors know if you need advising regarding which language classes you should take next. See you at our Open House!

Go Blazers! — Julián Arribas, Chair

Language Clubs and Conversation Table News

Latin American Cinema Today Film Fest

Sponsored by Pragda, Palomitas Film Club and the DFLL

Location: Hill Alumni Theater

Eternal Amazon - Feb 19, 6:00-8:30 pm
(with a Skype visit from Director Belisario Franca)
A film about the destruction and potential salvation of the Amazon.

Don't Call Me Son - March 5, 7:00-9:00 pm
A film on identity and the aftermath of the Brazilian dictatorship.

The Empty Classroom - March 26, 7:00-9:30 pm
A film on the reasons behind Latinx school drop out rate.

The Companion - April 2, 7:00-9:30 pm
A Cuban boxer cares for an HIV/AIDS patient.

Panama Canal Stories - April 11, 7:00-9:30 pm,
Vignettes of life on the Panama Canal.

Info: jtmaddox@uab.edu



Chinese Conversation Table

Mondays, 12:30-13:30 pm
Humanities Building 402

Special Events: Jan 28, Feb 25 & April 1
Lunch at Commons on the Green

Info: coltyma@uab.edu

German Table *Stammtisch*

Wednesdays, Jan 30, Feb 13, Feb 27, March 20,
April 10 - 12:30-1:30, HB 424

Thursdays, Jan 24, Feb 7, Feb 21, March 7, April 4 -
12:30-1:30 Sterne Library Starbucks

Info: ehrinker@uab.edu

French Conversation Table

Jan 30, Feb 6, Feb 20, March 6, March 20,
April 3, April 17
3:30 - 4:30 pm
Sterne Library Starbucks

Info: mbond@uab.edu

Japanese Conversation Table

Feb 28, 12:30 - 1:30 pm
Feb 27, 1:15-1:15 pm

HB 424 Conference Room

Info: takamiya@uab.edu

French Movie Marathon

Saturday, Feb 9, 10 am-4:30 pm
Location: Sterne Library

Diaboliques
Intouchables
Au Revoir Là-haut

Info: Prof. Sandrine Hope (shope@uab.edu)

Applied Professional Spanish (APS) Major Concentration - 39 Credits

The new applied professional Spanish major, which focuses on providing students a higher level of language proficiency for work in professional settings, complements studies of everything from business management to education or nursing and more. Read complete article from the UAB Reporter [here](#).

more information at:

[Course Catalog - Foreign Languages and Literatures Major](#)



SPRING BREAK in PARIS



Have you ever wanted to go to Paris? Spring Break 2019 is your opportunity!

The UAB Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures and the Alliance Française of Birmingham are sponsoring a week in Paris, France, during the UAB spring break, March 9-17, 2019 (7 nights). The cost: \$2,399 (double occupancy). Interested? Contact Prof. Margaret Bond at mbond@uab.edu.

Upcoming CULTURAL Events

Chinese New Year Celebration

Feb 5, 5:00 pm Blazer Hall RLC

Japanese Calligraphy with Ms. Ayaso Suzuki

Feb 6, 2:00pm-3:00pm, HB 424

Okonomiyaki Cooking Class (JASA)

Feb 9, 2:00-5:00, Samuel Ullman Museum (2150 15th Ave S)

Website:

The Art of Japanese Lunch Box (Obento Event)

Feb 27, 12:30pm-1:30 pm, UAB INTO Lobby

RSVP, \$5 at the INTO Front Desk

French Movie Marathon

Feb 9, 10 am-4:30 pm, Location: Sterne Library

Latin American Cinema Today Film Festival

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information at: <https://www.uab.edu/cas/languages/>



Departmental Scholarships

Applications for the 2019 - 2020 cycle now opened in BSMART until February 1st, 2019.

The Dr. William E. Doggett III Endowed Scholarship for Foreign Languages & Literatures Majors, with a concentration in either French or Spanish.

Dr. William E. Doggett III Endowed Study Abroad Scholarship in Foreign Languages & Literatures: support for study abroad in a foreign language, linguistics, or literature. Preference shall be given to students with a focus in French or German, but students of all language minor programs offered by the DFLL may apply.

Lehmeyer Endowed Award in German, for UAB students of German.

Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Scholarship: open only to the top introductory-level students in each of the languages offered; provides funding to support up to two additional courses past the first language course taken at UAB. *Selected students will be invited to apply* to receive \$1,250.00 each semester for two semesters, \$2,500.00 total, exclusively for foreign language coursework.

Contact: Dr. Erika Hille Rinker at ehrinker@uab.edu.

More Information at: <https://www.uab.edu/cas/languages/student-resources/scholarships>

International Scholarships and Fellowships

Fulbright U.S. Student Program offers research, study and teaching opportunities in over 140 countries to recent graduates and graduate students. Contact: fellowships@uab.edu; Website: <https://us.fulbrightonline.org/>

Critical Language Scholarship is an intensive overseas language and cultural immersion program for American students enrolled at U.S. colleges and universities. The program includes intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences. Contact: fellowships@uab.edu; Website: <https://clscholarship.org/>.

Boren Awards provide undergraduate and graduate students with a unique opportunity to fund long-term, language-focused study and research abroad, and to launch careers in international affairs with the federal government. Contact: fellowships@uab.edu; Website: <https://www.borenawards.org>

The Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship is a U.S. Department of State grant program that enables students of limited financial means to study or intern abroad. Contact: fellowships@uab.edu; Website: <https://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program>

Study Abroad News

Taiwan, I-Shou University

Professor: Ling Ma

Dates: 5/13/2019 - 6/3/2019

Courses: 2 Chinese language and culture

Program Fee: \$1,852 (includes ISU tuition, accommodation, meals and field trips)

Scholarship Opportunities!

Contact: Prof. Ling Ma @ coltyma@uab.edu

Application Deadline: November 30, 2018

More information: UAB Education Abroad at <https://educationabroad.uab.edu>



Japan (Faculty-lead Program)

Professor: Yumi Takamiya

Dates: 6/12/2019 - 6/22/2019

Course: JPA 290 Urban Environments and Culture in Japan

Program Fee: \$4,660 + tuition

Scholarship Opportunities!

Contact: Prof. Yumi Takamiya @ takamiya@uab.edu



Application Deadline: January 1st, 2019

More information: UAB Education Abroad at <https://educationabroad.uab.edu>

Spain (Cuenca & Coruña)

Professor: Julián Arribas

Dates: 5/4/2019 - 6/3/2019

Courses: SPA 190 or SPA 290 or SPA 390 (3 credits)

Program Fee: 2,350 euros (airfare not included)

Scholarship Opportunities!

Contact: Prof. Julian Arribas @ jarribas@uab.edu**Application Deadline:** March 1st, 2019**More information:** UAB Education Abroad at<https://educationabroad.uab.edu>

Spain -Way of Saint James / Camino de Santiago (Faculty-lead Program)

Professor: Julián Arribas

Dates: 5/4/2019 - 6/3/2019

Courses: FLL 120 (3 credits)

Cities: Cuenca, Coruña, Santiago de Compostela

Program Fee: 2,685 euros (airfare not included)

Scholarship Opportunities!

Contact: Prof. Julian Arribas @ jarribas@uab.edu**Application Deadline:** March 1st, 2019**More information:** UAB Education Abroad at <https://educationabroad.uab.edu>

WHERE IN THE WORLD are our ALUMNI?

"My FLL degree allowed me to explore my interest in Latino culture. After graduating, I joined the Peace Corps in Ecuador, where I have learned more about customs distinct from my own. I will continue using what I learned in my FLL degree as I pursue a masters in speech-language pathology to become a bilingual speech therapist."

Angelica Jaimes, Class of 2016



"I am currently doing a Master's degree in Hispanic Literature at the University of Alabama, and I am working as a Teaching Assistant (Student Instructor) in the Spanish program. Great teachers have inspired me to pursue my passion for Literature, therefore, I am planning to apply for a PhD program once I finish my Master's degree. I would like to specialize in Mexican literature, especially in gender studies."

Ramiro (Alex) Bautista, Class of 2018



"As a graduate of the program, I have used the knowledge gained while studying at UAB extensively in my personal life and my career. Currently, I teach ESL and Spanish online. This allows me to travel all across Latin America. UAB's Foreign Language Department not only gave me the language skills, such as listening, fluency, reading comprehension, and writing, but also the historical and cultural context and confidence to navigate the Latin world. "

Minda Farris, Class of 2015

