I would like to welcome everyone to a New Year and Spring semester. 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 21. 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

**Palomitas**
*Spanish & Latin American Film Club*

**January 23**
Pan’s Labyrinth

**February 13**
August Winds

**March 2**
The Last Colony

**April 3**
Viva Cuba

**April 19**
In The Time of the Butterflies

7:00 pm Hill Alumni Theater

Info: jtmaddox@uab.edu

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**German Table Stammtischtennis**

January 17, January 31
12:30 - 1:30 pm
Stern Library Starbucks

Future dates are TBD. Please check the DFLL website for updates.

info: ehrinker@uab.edu

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**French Conversation Table**

January 23, 30
February 6, 13, 27
March 6, 27
(All days are Tuesdays)
3:30 - 4:30 pm
Stern Library Starbucks

Info: mbond@uab.edu

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**Japanese Conversation Table**

1/22, 2/05, 2/19, 3/05, 3/19, 4/02
(All days are Mondays)
10:00 - 11:00 am
HB 424 Conference Room

info: takamiya@uab.edu

For more information or for updates on conversation table hours, visit:

Conversation Tables - Spring 2018

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**Spanish Table - La Tertulia**

January 22 - April 2
All Mondays
2:30 pm
Stern Library Starbucks

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**La Cena de la Tertulia**

January 19, April 6
6:00 pm
Mi Pueblo Restaurant and Market

All levels welcome.

Info: centeno@uab.edu

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**Chinese Conversation Table**

1/16, 1/30, 2/13, 2/27, 3/27, 4/10
2:30 - 3:30 pm
Humanities Building 424

info: coltyma@uab.edu

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Revised FLL Major - 39 Credits

FLL Major Common Core - 9 Credits

*Course Requirements - The Following 9 Credits:
  FLL 120. Foreign Cultures
  FLL 121 OR [a different lang] 101
  FLL 485. Foreign Language Capstone Seminar

Concentration Requirements [FR or SPA] - 30 Credits

*The Following Course - 3 Credits
  SPA/FR 201 Intermediate SPA/FR I
  *Students placed above 201 must take 202 or higher

*Three courses at 200 level above 201 - 9 credits

*Three courses at 300 level - 9 credits
  Advanced students may replace 200 with 300 level courses with departmental permission

*Three courses ranged 401-499 - 9 credits

more information at:
  Course Catalog - Foreign Languages and Literatures Major

Upcoming Events

Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball
  3 February, 7:00 - 10:00 pm, Hill Center, CD Ballroom

DFLL Open House
  21 March, 2:30 pm Humanities Building, 4th Floor Balcony

La Cena de la Tertulia, Spanish Conversation Table and Dinner
  19 January & 6 April, 6:00 pm, Mi Pueblo Restaurant and Supermarket

Japanese Taiko Drum Caravan: Traditional Tokyo Festival Music Performance
  6 February, 3:00 - 4:45 pm, Humanities Building 431

“Are Humans Natural-Born Teachers?
  Natural Pedagogy in Second & Foreign Language Teaching”
  12 February, 3:30 - 5:00 pm, Hulsey Recital Hall, Hulsey Center, speaker Dwight Atkinson

“Encounter with Japanese Music: A Piano Event”
  20 February, 2:00 - 3:00 pm, Hulsey Recital Hall, Hulsey Center, performer Choko Kimora Aiken

more information at: https://www.uab.edu/cas/languages/news-landing/upcoming-events
Scholarships

Applications for the 2018 - 2019 cycle will close on **February 1, 2018**.

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

**The Dr. William E. Dogged 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.

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

**The Departments of Foreign Languages and Literatures Scholarship**: support for up to two additional courses past the first course a student takes at UAB in a language offered by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

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

**The Benjamin Gilman Scholarship** is a U.S. Department of State grant program that enables students of limited financial means to study or intern abroad. Students must be U.S. citizens and receiving the Pell Grant. They can be majoring in any field, and can receive extra financial support for critical language study.

For Summer 2018, Fall 2018, or Academic Year (Fall 2018/Spring 2019) Study Abroad, student deadline is **March 6**.

Interested students should first meet with the UAB Office of Education Abroad to identify their study abroad program and then reach out to our office, Honors Administration, Strategic Initiatives, and Fellowships for assistance with their application.

*Website:* Gilman Scholarship Deadlines and Timeline

*Contact:* fellowships@uab.edu

more scholarships and related information at:

uab.edu/cas/languages/student-resources/scholarships
Study Abroad News

The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures offers two study abroad programs in 2018:

**China & Japan 2018 (Faculty-led Program)**

Professors: Ling Ma and Yumi Takamiya  
Dates: 4/30/2018 - 5/27/2018  
Locations: Nanjing and Shanghai, China; Tokyo, Japan  
Courses: FLL 120, 121; CHI 190, 290; JPA 190, 290  
Contact: Yumi Takamiya @ takamiya@uab.edu -or- Ling Ma @ coltyma@uab.edu

Application Deadline: **February 1, 2018**

for more information, visit:  
UAB Education Abroad Program Page for China & Japan

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**Salamanca, Spain 2018 (Non-Faculty-led Program)**

Professor: John Maddox  
Option A – $2,175.00:  
4-week program (May 4 - June 2) (3 credits)  
Option B – $2,799.00:  
5-week program (May 4 - June 9) (6 credits)

Contact: John Maddox @ jtmaddox@uab.edu

Application Deadline: **March 3, 2018**

for more information, visit:  
UAB Education Abroad Program Page for Salamanca, Spain
On December 1, 2017, German student Sarah Busby presented Dr. Erika Hille Rinker with the Excellence in Teaching Award of the UAB Chapter of the National Society of Leadership and Success! Congratulations! Herzliche Glückwünsche!

Spanish professor Dr. Malinda O’Leary has been announced as the new Executive Director of The Alabama World Languages Association! She is currently the president of the organization. The transition will take place at the end of February. Congratulations! ¡Felicidades!

UAB Spanish professor Dr. John K. Moore Jr. has been awarded two very prestigious awards, a National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship and an American Council of Learned Societies fellowship! Congratulations! ¡Felicidades!

Spanish students and faculty enjoy La Cena de la Tertulia at Mi Pueblo. Don’t miss the next one!