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## Research by ANTH Professor, Students Featured By National Geographic

Dr. Haagen Klaus, Anthropology faculty in the UVU Behavioral Science department, and five BESC students spent their summer vacation studying 33 mummies near Chiclayo, Peru.

National Geographic filmed some of the activities undertaken by the UVU team and interviewed Dr. Klaus. The story was featured on their web site and can still be accessed at <http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2009/07/090714-peru-chotuna-video-ap.html>.

According to National Geographic, the mummies were in an excellent state of conservation, which allowed Dr. Klaus and his team of students to extract DNA to learn about the illnesses they had, their diets, their ages, causes of death and even possible kinships among the mummies.

Dr. Klaus confirms the value of the experience for the students, citing as one of the most valuable aspects the "immense amount of research both in field excavation and the lab spanning our scientific

confrontation with ancient rituals of human sacrifice to genetic studies of ancient Indian politics to understanding (that) with our excavations we were carrying out ground-breaking studies of the biological, cultural, and genetic effects of European conquests in Peru."

Dr. Klaus is fully invested in his work in Peru, and plans to continue involving UVU students in his research and allowing them to participate in an on-site experience.

## Great Opportunity For BESC Majors In Faculty-Student Research Group

Behavioral Science students will often speak of earning their Bachelor's degree as a stepping stone to a graduate program they would like to pursue. While any emphasis within the BESC degree will provide students with a sound Liberal Arts background and help to prepare them for the rigors of grad school, students need to also have experience in designing and carrying out research in their chosen field.

In order to help BESC students be more prepared for grad school and more

competitive during the admissions process, two faculty members have started the BESC Faculty-Student Research Group.

The purpose of the Research Group is to promote student research, increase the strength of graduate school applications, and emphasize the importance of beginning research early in your college career.

Drs. Anton Tolman and Kris Doty are volunteering their time to facilitate the Research Group. Both professors

emphasize that finishing PSY/SOC 3010 and PSY/SOC 3020 as soon as possible is key. The skills and knowledge students need to design and undertake significant research will be learned in those two courses. Dr. Tolman reminds BESC majors that "Often, student research can take 1-2 years."

The Faculty-Student Research Group meets Wednesdays at 3 pm in LI 304.



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## Social Work Faculty Move To New Office Suite In Losee Center

Did you ever need to meet with your Social Work professor and find it difficult to locate their office? This was a common problem in past semesters for BESC students, but it's one they won't have to deal with any longer.

Three BESC-Social Work faculty have relocated their offices from the distant and outdated Faculty Annex (FA) building to the second floor of the newly reopened Losee Center.

Drs. Sue Middleton, Kris Doty, and Lars Eggertsen

are now housed in an office suite located at LC 221.

Office hours for each faculty are printed on their course syllabi and posted at their office.

## Job And Internship Search Assistance

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Amber Collins has been a Career Counselor with UVU's Career Services and Student Employment office (now at LC 409 or 801-863-6364) since 2007. Amber earned her Master of Education in School Counseling from UNC-

Chapel Hill and has a lot of experience working with students. She is a great resource for BESC majors, as she works specifically with students majoring in programs offered by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, of which BESC is a part.

Amber maintains a list of internship ideas for BESC majors. She also can help you with editing your resume and building your interviewing skills through

mock interviews.

CSSE events this semester are the Career Fair Prep Week from September 21-25, where CSSE will offer daily workshops to help you be successful when attending the Career Fair, which will be held on September 29 in the Student Center.

As an added incentive, students attending the Career Fair in professional dress can be entered to win an iPod.

## Behavioral Science Welcomes New Academic Advisor

With over 2300 students - and getting more everyday!- the Behavioral Science program is one of the most popular at Utah Valley University.

In order to better serve students, an additional academic advisor was hired over the summer.

Gioey (pronounced Joey) Alisa is excited to work with students in the Behavioral Science department. She is also very happy to be returning to UVU after a one-year absence. Gioey has previously worked for the University in recruiting and advising for almost four years.

Find out more about Gioey and the other Behavioral Science advisors by choosing the Academic Advising link under Student Resources on the BESC web site at [www.uvu.edu/besc](http://www.uvu.edu/besc).

## New Family Studies Emphasis Available For Majors

Beginning with the Fall 2009 semester Behavioral Science majors and other Utah Valley University students have a new Behavioral Science degree emphasis to choose from.

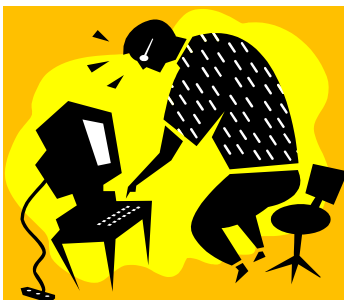
Joining the four current emphases (Anthropology, Psychology, Social Work and Sociology) is the Family Studies program.

BESC majors, and particularly those interested in Family Studies, should expect to begin hearing FAST mentioned by their professors and advisors alike. FAST is the acronym that will be used for Family Studies.

The Behavioral Science department is excited to be able offer this new emphasis, which combines some existing Psychology and Sociology courses that include a strong focus on the dynamic of the family system, with some new components like a Family Law course and a required internship within the field of Family Studies.

The department is also looking forward to the BESC Family Studies major earning accreditation to offer the Certified Family Life Educator certification to its students. Behavioral Science faculty will be developing a few new courses over the next school year which will help the new program to earn this accreditation.

If you are a BESC major interested in Marriage and Family Therapy graduate programs, or just interested in Family Studies in general, please see your academic advisor for more information or to officially declare this new emphasis.



## Spring 2010 Registration Information

Were you able to register for all the classes you wanted or needed to take for Fall 2009? If not, you're not alone. With student enrollment up this year at UVU, many are finding it difficult to add classes right before the beginning of the semester and during the first few weeks as they have done in the past.

Enrollment is expected to also be up for Spring 2010, so planning your course schedule, researching class availability, and registering

for classes should be at the top of your "To Do" list during the month of October.

Planning your Spring schedule can be easy, especially if you have previously met with your BESC advisor and kept the degree worksheet they gave you. If you have misplaced it, contact your advisor to see if they can email you a copy.

If you haven't met with your advisor to go over your degree worksheet or create an academic plan, now is the time to make an appointment to meet with them and get that done. Advisors can help identify courses that are taught

during each semester and can explain prerequisites and required course sequences. To make an appointment, call (801) 863-6377.

The Spring 2010 course schedule will be posted online for you to review at least a week prior to registration opening. Take some time to see what days and times classes you need are offered so you can better plan your school and work schedule in advance.

Spring 2010 registration opens October 26. Check your UVLink email account for notification from the University as to your exact registration date.

## ABSC- Easy As 1, 2, 19, 3



ABSC is the commonly used acronym for the Applied Behavioral Science Club. Dr. Ron Hammond will continue his role as club advisor for this school year.

The goal of ABSC is to help prepare you for graduate school while serving our campus and community. To join, look for the ABSC table at Club Rush on September 9- 10, or stop by the BESC office at LA 012 and sign up there. Member dues are \$5.

ABSC t-shirts are also available in LA 012 for \$5. Students who

wear their ABSC t-shirt on Wednesdays can come to LA 012 and be entered into a weekly prize drawing.

Activities for this semester will include collecting food for Baby Care Cupboard, marketing and ushering for the November 2<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Adoption, fundraising, seminars, research studies and grad school recruiting parties.

More information can be found online at [www.uvu.edu/besc/absc](http://www.uvu.edu/besc/absc).



## What Does “Sequential” Mean? Or “Prerequisite”?

When registering for classes, some students are confused and frustrated when instead of being added to a course, they receive a notification that reads “PREREQ OR TEST SCORE ERROR.” This message means that the student has not fulfilled the academic requirements necessary to register for the course.

A few courses offered by the BESC department have to be taken sequentially, or in a specific order. These courses are prerequisites, or required in advance, before taking higher-level courses.

For more information you can refer to the UVU catalog or ask your academic advisor.

## Faculty And Staff Updates

Dr. David Knowlton will be on sabbatical for the 2009-2010 school year. Dr. Knowlton will be travelling to Europe, Asia, and South America during this time to perform research and continue writing and presenting.

Dr. Sandy McGunigall-Smith will be taking a half-year sabbatical during Fall 2009 in order to co-author a book.

Dr. Cameron John is taking a leave of absence during the 2009-2010 school year

in order to create research and statistics courses for a graduate program for another university.

McKenna Rees will be taking a leave of absence for the Fall semester near the end of September. For

information on who to see for advisement in her place, please check the list on her door or the BESC web site at [www.uvu.edu/besc](http://www.uvu.edu/besc).

## Minors Provide Multiple Benefits For Behavioral Science Majors

While most college students have declared a major, a lot of them don't have a minor. The most common reasons behind this is that students aren't sure what a minor is, why they should get one, or even that they can declare a minor.

BESC students can benefit from pursuing a minor. Most BESC students choose to earn a Bachelor of Science degree, necessitating they complete 24 credits of general electives, or any course the University offers that is numbered 1000 or

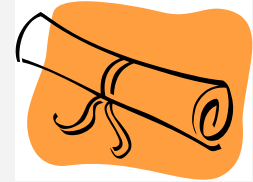
higher. By also declaring a minor a large portion, or even all, of those 24 general elective credits are essentially chosen for you.

Minors offered by academic departments at UVU require a minimum of 18 credits. Some of the courses required to earn the minor may have prerequisites that a student can use to fulfill the remaining six general elective credits that are required.

By officially declaring a minor with the academic

advisor over that program and fulfilling all required minor courses along with their major requirements, a student can graduate with both the major and minor recorded on their transcript.

Earning a minor is an excellent way to better position yourself for future employment opportunities and set yourself apart from the competition. It's also a great chance to explore an area related to your graduate school interests while earning your Bachelor degree.



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## Minors Available From UVU

Accounting	Digital Media	Mathematics
American Indian Studies	Earth Science	Music
American Studies	Economics	Paralegal Studies
Biology	English Creative Writing	Peace and Justice Studies
Business Information Technology	English Literary Studies	Philosophy
Business Management	Entrepreneurship	Physical Education
Chemistry	Environmental Studies	Physics
Cinema Studies	French	Political Science
Classical Studies	Gender Studies	Religious Studies
Community Health Education	History	Spanish
Computer Science	Humanities	Technical Communication
Criminal Justice	Information Systems and Technology	Technical Writing
Deaf Studies	Languages	Technology Management
		Theatre Arts



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## CHSS Fall 2009 Events

### SEPTEMBER

**10** Film- "The Sword of Doom" (Japan)  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 9:30 pm

**22** Ethics Discussions  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
8:30 am- 2:30 pm

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Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
9 am- 2 pm

Ethics Awareness Week  
Keynote Address  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 8 pm

**24** Annual Ethics Symposium:  
"Is the University a Corporation?"  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
8:30 am- 2:15 pm

Film- "Spirited Away" (Japan)  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 9:30 pm

**25** Premier of new documentary "Alex Caldiero"  
Ragan Theater  
7- 9:30 pm

**29** Career & Internship Fair  
Student Center Ballroom  
10 am- 3 pm

### OCTOBER

**1** Utah Democracy Project  
Keynote Address by Dr. Matthew Holland  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
11:30- 11:50 am

**8** Film- "Slumdog Millionaire" (India)  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 9:30 pm

**15- 16** Fall Break (no class)

**22** Film- "Let The Right One In" (Sweden)  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 9:30 pm

### NOVEMBER

**2** UVU Conference on Adoption  
Sorenson Student Center  
All day

**5** Film- "The Seventh Seal" (Sweden)  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 9:30 pm

**12** Film- "Bandit Queen" (India)  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 9:30 pm

**13** Grad School Fair  
Student Center Ballroom  
10 am- 2 pm

**19** Peace & Justice Symposium: "The Death Penalty & Restorator Justice," Howard Zehr  
Location TBA

**25- 27** Thanksgiving Break

### DECEMBER

**3** Film- "The Diving Bell and the Butterfly" (France)  
Library Lecture Hall (LI 120)  
7- 9:30 pm

**10** Last day of Fall 2009 classes

**14- 17** Final Exams

## Calls For Proposals- Student Scholarly & Creative Presentations For Fall 2009

The following is an announcement sent to faculty and staff on September 3:

The Office of Undergraduate Research and International Programs has modest funding available to assist students who are presenting student scholarly and creative presentations at professional meetings. Funds are available for travel, registration fees, and

lodging. Please contact the Office of Undergraduate Research and International Programs at 801-863-6748 or [jensenfr@uvu.edu](mailto:jensenfr@uvu.edu) for an application. Applications for Fall 2009 are due October 1, 2009. Students must have the application completed and signed by the department chair and dean before bringing it to BA216 before 5:00 pm on October

1st. Please send an electronic copy of the abstract by the deadline to [jensenfr@uvu.edu](mailto:jensenfr@uvu.edu). The Scholarly & Creative Activities Council will make selections during October. Students will be notified by November 1st or a soon thereafter as possible.

See your BESC advisor for an application form.