



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
COLLEGE OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Center for Regional Food Studies

2020-2021 Annual Theme



Just Nourishment

This marks our second year of continuing with the theme of "Just Nourishment" to examine the ways that anti-Blackness pervades our food system at various scales – rendering uneven health outcomes and life chances – and to center an anti-racist praxis in identifying (nourishing) modes of collective healing.

CRFS Events

Good Food Film Series 2021

CRFS is co-sponsoring Local First Arizona's yearlong Good Film Series. A new, independent short film showcasing Arizona's food system will be released the second Tuesday of each month through February 2022.

From seed to plate, and the many stops in between, the [Good Food Film Series](#) brings the societal challenges facing the farming and food community across Arizona and food access stories to your preferred viewing screen. These are stories of the often unseen heroes, doing the good work of not only growing and providing healthy, fresh food to our communities but also taking bold environmental and food sovereignty action to create a more sustainable and just local food system.

Explore the [upcoming film premieres and on-demand screens](#) available through February 2022. [Tickets and passes](#) available for screening.

March 9, 2021

[The State of Arizona Farmland](#)

David and Sara, owners of Blue Sky Organic Farms in West Phoenix, have just planted their last season of crops on their leased land. They must be moved out by July 1, 2021 when a new home builder takes ownership...

April 13, 2021

[Are Edible Landscapes and Trees the Answer to Arizona's Rising Climate Crisis?](#)

Darren Chapman of TigerMountain Foundation walks us through their collaboration with Trees Matter that honors the lives lost to Covid, addresses food insecurity through the planting of fruit trees, and improves the shade canopy at Spaces of Opportunity located in South Phoenix...

May 11, 2021

[The Business of Farm to Food Banks](#)

Gain a first-hand perspective from Duncan Family Farms® on the vital role local farms play in supporting food banks' increasing food needs...

The Center for Regional Food Studies Blog

New Blog Post: The UArizona Campus Pantry during the COVID-19 Pandemic
Bridgette Nobbe, M.A., Campus Pantry and Campus Closet Coordinator
Matthew Mars, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural Education, Technology and Innovation

Individuals living and/or working on campus became more vulnerable to food insecurity as the pandemic claimed jobs, closed restaurants, and shuttered residence halls, thus increasing the need for tangible, face-to-face support from the food pantry. As the University moved to a virtual environment, the Campus Pantry staff had two options - either remain open and continue to support students in need or suspend services and refer those in need to off-campus resources. The Pantry team opted to remain open, even though doing so meant putting Pantry staff and users at greater risk of contracting and spreading the virus...**Read the full blog post [here](#).**

Other Events

Teaching with Microbes: Biopolitical lessons from Fermentation.

Dr. Megan Carney, PhD

March 17, 2021

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

For the past several years and with emerging research on microbiomes, social scientists and humanities scholars have increasingly turned to microbes as “good to think with” in examining the intersections between human health and the environment. The Covid-19 pandemic has both amplified much of this transdisciplinary interest in microbial life and human microbiomes, and sparked new questions about the (micro)biopolitics shaping uneven health outcomes across the human life course. This talk reflects on using fermentation as a pedagogical tool for understanding the historical conditions and contemporary social and institutional arrangements that affect microbial distribution and exposure.

The event is free but registration is required on the [registration link](#).

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Post-Doc Opportunities

Post-Doctoral Associate, Social Sustainability in Supply Chains, University of Minnesota

The Postdoctoral Researcher will engage with a multi-scale, evolving collaborative

network through a three-year funded project led by UMN and supported by The Land Institute. This postdoctoral position will be primarily mentored and co-supervised by researchers at The Land Institute, in collaboration with UMN researchers.

Click [here](#) to review job posting.
Review of applications will begin April 1, 2021.

Job Opportunities

Executive Director Position Restaurant Workers' Community Foundation

RWCF is seeking a dynamic, entrepreneurial leader to help refine and drive the organization's strategy, further develop its core communications and programming, build out critical systems and operations, and lead its fundraising and development efforts across all current and potential sources.

Please visit [Restaurant Workers' Community Foundation](#) to learn more about the position.

Service Opportunity

Food Systems Journal Seeks Applicants for New Editorial Board

The Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development (JAFSCD) announces the creation of a JAFSCD Editorial Board (JEB). We are seeking candidates to help lead and advise this community-supported publication.

If you're interested in applying to become a JEB representative from your state, province, territory, tribal/Indigenous community, or country, please click [here](#) to complete the form. Note that we ask you to upload your resume or CV. If you have any questions or concerns, contact [Duncan Hilchey](#) at duncan@lysoncenter.org.

UA Campus Pantry

Please Remember to Support our Campus Pantry

The mission of the UA Campus Pantry is to alleviate hunger in the UA Wildcat community by providing food assistance to those in need. On average, 1 in 3 college students experience food insecurity at some point in their academic career. The Campus Pantry helps to reduce this statistic by providing supplemental groceries to students in need. In addition, food insecurity looks different for all students. Sometimes it can be a lack of access to transportation, lack of financial resources or simply not having enough or nutritious foods.

For more information, including how to donate, please visit [the Campus Pantry website](#).

Send Us Your News!

Do you have a piece of news you would like to circulate on the CRFS newsletter? Do you have a new book out? Won an award? Recently wrote a public-facing essay, an op-ed, or appeared in an interview? We'd love to share your news and keep our network informed of each other's successes, recent work, and/or initiatives. **Send your news items for inclusion in our newsletters to CRFS Assistant Director, [Laurel Bellante](#).**

CRFS Blog Submissions

The CRFS blog aims to highlight the diversity of teaching, research, and service happening around food within our community. We invite submissions of 500-700 words by faculty, staff, and students, as well as community members. We are also open to proposals for photo essays, video compilations, and/or interviews. **Submit your ideas or questions to CRFS Assistant Director, [Laurel Bellante](#).**

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Please visit the [Nutrition and](#)

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[Food Systems Website](#) for more information about the Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Food Systems.
