



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 News

2020-21 State of the Tucson Food System Report

If you missed the launch event of the 2020-21 State of the Tucson Food System report, you can now watch the recording of the event [here](#), or by clicking on the below *STFS Video* button.

This year's report assesses the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Southern Arizona. Click [here](#) or below, on the *System Report* button, to read the full report. The Executive Summary of the State of the Tucson Food System Report can be viewed [here](#), or by clicking on the below *Executive Summary* button.

STFS Video

System Report

Executive Summary

Tucson Food System Report News Coverage

This year's report drew media attention from several news and reporting agencies. Please click on the links below to learn more about the impacts of COVID-19 on our community.

- [UArizona research shows perseverance in Tucson food industry](#)
- [State of the food system: The pandemic impacts restaurants, food security](#)
- [Estudio: pandemia impactó en el sistema alimenticio de hispanos en Arizona](#)

CRFS Events

**Just Food Conference,
Diet and Displacement:
A Critical Roundtable on the Migration-Food Security Nexus**

**June 15, 2021
11:30-1:00 MST**

REGISTER [HERE](#) FOR THE JUST FOOD CONFERENCE

TUESDAY
JUNE
15th
11:30am-
1:00pm MST

Just Food Conference, Diet and Displacement: A Critical Roundtable on the Migration-Food Security Nexus

The Just Food Conference presents, *Diet and Displacement: A Critical Roundtable on the Migration-Food Security Nexus*. Global climate change and the continued neoliberalization of food systems have contributed to the widespread dispossession and displacement of Black, Brown, and Indigenous peoples across both the global North and South. Chronic food insecurity and hunger are of pressing concern in understanding the root causes of displacement, global patterns of migration, and barriers to vital food resources in transit and post-arrival/resettlement contexts. This roundtable engages critical perspectives for examining food-related displacement and the migration-food security nexus. Participants will discuss possibilities for engaged research and necessary changes to policy to address food insecurity across disparate geographical and political settings as well as amid myriad constraints posed by structural racism, xenophobia, sexism, ableism, and homo/transphobia.

PANELISTS INCLUDE:

Megan A. Carney (co-organizer) is Associate Professor of Anthropology and Director of the Center for Regional Food Studies at the University of Arizona

Teresa Mares (co-organizer) is Associate Professor of Anthropology and Associate Director of the Graduate Program in Food Systems at the University of Vermont

Alyshia Gálvez is Professor of Latin American and Latino Studies at Lehman College and of Anthropology at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York

Pablo Bose is Associate Professor of Geography and Director of Global and Regional Studies at the University of Vermont

Julian Agyeman is Professor of Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts

Allison Hayes-Conroy is Associate Professor of Geography & Urban Studies at Temple University

REGISTER AT: https://whova.com/portal/registration/asfsa_202106/

SALES END JUNE 15, 2021



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.

Local Events

Save the Dates! Revisiting the AZFSN Statewide Food Plan

Who should attend the regional meetings?

Anyone interested in lending their voice to the statewide food plan. The meetings are open to all. Please share with your networks so we can make sure everyone has a seat at the table.

Can I attend meetings in multiple regions?

Yes! You are welcome to attend any and all meetings. We want this process to be open and flexible, so please participate as your schedule allows.

How do I attend?

Save the dates in your calendar along with the meeting link and at the time of the meeting, use the link to join the meeting room.

- **Northern region**: 6/9 (2:00 - 4:00 PM)
- **Central region**: 6/16 (2:30 - 4:30 PM)
- **Southern region**: 5/26 & 6/23 (2:00 - 4:00 PM)

Meeting Link: <https://bit.ly/2021AZFoodPlan>

Other questions?

Contact Jessie Gruner at jessiegruner@pinnacleprevention.org

SAVE THE DATE

ARIZONA STATEWIDE FOOD ACTION PLAN: 2021 VIRTUAL PLANNING SESSION

NORTHERN REGION: 4/14, 5/12, & 6/9 (2PM-4PM)
CENTRAL REGION: 4/21, 5/19, & 6/16 (2:30PM-4:30PM)
SOUTHERN REGION: 4/28, 5/26, & 6/23 (2PM-4PM)

Meeting Link:

<https://bit.ly/2021AZFoodPlan>



Job Opportuntities

The Department of Nutritional Sciences, The University of Arizona

The Department of Nutritional Sciences at The University of Arizona is seeking a full-time Lecturer for the 2021-2022 academic year beginning Fall 2021. Applicants should have a broad knowledge of nutrition and dietetics.

To access the complete job posting and application instructions, please click [here](#).

Email questions to [Ashlee Linares-Gaffer](#).

Desired Start Date: 8/16/2021

The Department of Nutritional Sciences at The University of Arizona is also currently hiring for several other faculty positions:

[Assistant Professor of Practice](#) (Foodservice Management Focus), Based in Tucson, AZ

[Adjunct Lecturer](#) (Foodservice Management Focus), Based in Yuma, AZ

[Adjunct Lecturer](#) (Medical Nutrition Therapy Focus), Based in Yuma, AZ

The University of Arizona Whetstone Prison Project (WPP) Program Coordinator

The Whetstone Prison Project (WPP) brings quality environmental education to current inmates in the Arizona Department of Corrections through hands on classroom and garden-based curriculum by running the “Sustainability Workshop” at the Whetstone Unit. The goal of the WPP is to reduce recidivism in Arizona by creating positive spaces of engagement in the prison system. The WPP works with UA Arizona interns to develop educational materials and teach in person at Whetstone’s “Sustainability Workshop” and engage in community resource development to support incarcerated individuals across Arizona as they leave prison.

In the upcoming weeks the position will be listed in Handshake. Please check frequently to look for and apply for the position.

The Coalition for Farmland Preservation

The Coalition for Farmland Preservation -- a collaborative of farmers, food system advocates, planners, and others working to preserve local farms in Maricopa County is hiring a Program Manager to staff the Coalition's work.

Read about [the movement](#)! Click [here](#) to review the full job posting.

Post Doc Opportunities

Utrecht University, Post Doc Position

Utrecht University has opened a new Dutch Research Council-funded project on the social justice of water, energy and food governance in South Africa.

It is a three-year position with the governance program at Utrecht's Copernicus Institute of Sustainable Development, and it will include (if the COVID situation allows) field work in South Africa and close collaboration with South African researchers in governance and community-level research around the water-energy-food nexus. Enquires should be directed to [Dr Marjanneke Vijg](#).

Please click [here](#) for the full job announcement.

Application deadline: June 17, 2021

Undergrad Internship Opportunities

FOOD 393 Summer Internship Opportunities



Are you looking to earn academic credit this summer while also acquiring new life experiences and job skills? Consider applying for one of these internship opportunities (FOOD393)

- Local First Arizona - Local First Arizona Foundation (LFA) is a non-profit organization that is building opportunities in Arizona. LFA is an award-winning organization focused on community and economic development throughout the state in order to build self-sufficient, healthy, and prosperous communities.
- UA Garden Kitchen - The Garden Kitchen, located in the heart of South Tucson, is a seed-to-table nutrition education program of the University of Arizona's Pima County Cooperative Extension.
- Mission Gardens - Mission Garden is an ancient agricultural site, farmed continuously for more than 4,000 years. Today it is an agricultural heritage museum interpreting and celebrating the multicultural history of Tucson through a series of Timeline Gardens.
- Pivot Produce - Pivot is a produce distribution/warehousing company which sources produce from southern Arizona small scale farms to restaurants and consumers in the Tucson area.
- Iskashitaa Refugee Network - Iskashitaa Refugee Network creates opportunities to integrate UN refugees into the Southern Arizona community while educating the public, strengthening the local food system, reducing local food waste, and increasing food security. The network focuses on harvesting and gleaning food from local sources and backyard gardens that would otherwise go to waste.

Note: FOOD 393 Internships are also available in Fall and Spring semesters

FMI and to apply, please visit: <https://foodstudies.arizona.edu/internships>

Fall Internships with the Whetstone Prison Project



The Whetstone Prison Project (WPP) aims to work towards a lowered recidivism rate for the people of Arizona. The WPP works toward this goal by bringing quality environmental education AND updated housing resources to current inmates in the Arizona Department of Corrections at the Whetstone Unit. Remotely AND/OR in hybrid, UA students contribute to teaching at Whetstone OR developing updated housing resources.

Other internship role possibilities may be developed for the Fall 2021 semester. The primary goal of the WPP is to teach current inmates within the Whetstone Unit about overarching environmental concepts and build a connection between inmates and local community resources.

An intern at the WPP will develop skills in communication, big picture planning, educating, and critical thinking. This is the second year implementing internship positions. This means each position description is flexible and needs interns who are self-starters and team players who can also work independently.

Interns on this project will be a part of one of the three following teams:

Housing Resource Development:

An intern on this team will be focused on researching and developing updated housing resources available to people exiting prison. This includes contacting transitional housing resources for information and communicating with other reentry groups to best serve the needs of people exiting prison. We need students who are interested in research and communication.

Curriculum and Teaching:

An intern on this team will be focused on creating and teaching environmentally focused lesson plans such as gardening, energy, climate change, and environmental social justice. We need students who are interested in building content, teaching, and interacting with inmates.

Scope and Sequence:

An intern on this team will be focused on researching and developing educational curriculum and materials to support future interns of the project. This team may work with community organizations to develop certificate programs at Whetstone. We need students who are interested in research, curriculum development, and community outreach.

NOTE: These are the three definite positions, however we are open for discussion on creating additional positions if they will help facilitate overall growth of the project and align with our goals.

Please do not be afraid to apply because you think you do not have the desired traits! This is a teaching and learning experience for everyone involved. We want to see you grow. We want interns who care about making a difference and are willing to do the work, the rest can be learned through our internship.

Apply now!<https://forms.gle/ngEMFWHLyYp4XaTDA>
FMI, contact: Erin Scott, erinscott@arizona.edu

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](#).**

Please visit the [Food Studies Website](#) for more information about the Bachelor of Arts in Food Studies.

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