

2022-2023 Annual Theme



Right to Farm: How do we think about and support the right to farm as we face ongoing global environmental change and dispossession of farmers from their land, seeds, resources such as water, and ability to achieve a

living wage and just livelihood?

Right to Food: How do we transform food into a public good like universal k-12 education so that people – rather than transnational corporations and market forces – control food and food systems? How do we hold governments – not individuals – accountable for the wellbeing of the people?

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Call for Applications

Call for Applications: CRFS Student Research Awards

UA Center for Regional Food Studies
Applications due **Friday**, **May 5**th, **2023**

Description

The UA Center for Regional Food Studies (CRFS) is offering up to 5 awards of \$500 to any UA graduate or undergraduate student in support of food-related research or educational activities over the summer 2023. Funds can be used to cover tuition costs or other expenses related to the successful completion of planned academic work related to food during summer 2023.

If awarded funding, recipients will be expected to:

File a 1-2 page blog post for the CRFS website and media. The blog post should summarize

your work and briefly describe your activities during summer 2023 and how the funds helped to support your academic goals and/or research.

Share a 10-15-minute oral presentation at a CRFS event in the 2023-24 academic year.

Eligibility

UA students from all departments, disciplines and backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

How to apply

Please submit the following as one PDF to assistant director, Dr. Laurel Bellante, by email at: bellante@arizona.edu by May 5th, 2023.

- Basic information, including full name; mailing address; phone number; email address; UA Net
 ID and student ID number
- A current resume or CV
- A one-page essay briefly describing how funding will support your educational goals and/or research. Please describe what research, projects, and/or coursework is planned and how financial support will be used to enable those activities. In your essay, please articulate how your current research or program of study aligns with the mission and goals of CRFS (see our website: https://crfs.arizona.edu/)
 - Note: Financial need will be taken into consideration in the review of applications.

Notification process

Candidates will be notified by June 1st and funds will be disbursed within 6 weeks of award notification.

Please direct any questions to CRFS Assistant Director, Dr. Laurel Bellante, at <u>bellante@email.arizona.edu</u>.

CRFS News



New CRFS Blog Post

Las Recetas de mi Amá: A Cross-Border Research Project on Mexican Cuisine By: Mar Erisnelida Ruiz Barraza

Food encompasses entire cultures, regions, traditions, and histories. In January of 2022, I began to research the recipes of my family and others close to me. Most of my research focused on the people living in the border cities of San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora, Mexico and San Luis, Arizona, United States. My initial goal was to document the culinary practices of these two border communities by interviewing men and women of different ages who have a connection to San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora. However, as my research progressed, I realized that the most important aspect of this work was to document my family recipes to connect with them, to keep them throughout my life and to use them as reference for future generations. With that in mind, I set out to understand my family through their favorite language, food. The result of this work is a digital family recipe book titled, Las recetas de mi Amá.

Please click <u>here</u> to view the entire blog.

Nutrire CoLab Season 2 Episode 7

Racializing the Right to Food w/ Rebecca de Souza and Adam Pine

Megan Carney (associate professor of anthropology, University of Arizona) and PhD student Deyanira Ibarra interview Rebecca de Souza and Adam Pine about their work "Hunger, Survivance, and Imaginative Futures: A Racial Analysis of the 'Right to Food'". This conversation followed a recent workshop led by Rebecca and Adam on racialized right to food and storytelling as part of the "Future of Food and Social Justice: A Youth Storytelling Project" at the UA Center for Regional Food Studies.

Rebecca T. de Souza (Ph.D., Purdue University) is an associate professor in the School of Communication at San Diego State University. Her research is concerned with how communication, race, and political-economic systems impact access to food, health, and social wellbeing. Dr. de Souza's critically acclaimed book Feeding the Other: Whiteness, Privilege, and Neoliberal Stigma in Food Pantries (2019), explores the role of stigma in the lives of food insecure individuals.

Adam Pine is a human geographer (Ph.D. Rutgers) with teaching and research interests in urban policy, race, and the global food system. His principal research projects examine the relationship between white supremacy and US urban planning, the interconnections between housing precarity and food insecurity, and how anti-racist food activists are fighting to institute the right to food in the US.

Nutrire CoLab is produced in partnership with the American Anthropological Association and the UA Center for Regional Food Studies.

Original music provided by Lazaro Gálvez.

Season 2, Episode 7 is now available on Spotify.



Local/Regional Events

Cooking Session with Dr. Sarah K. Khan



COOKING SESSION WITH DR. SARAH K. KHAN

Wed. April 26, 2023, 6:30 - 8:00pm RSVP Required. Seats Limited.



Dr. Sarah K. Khan is an author, photographer, multi-media maker, & producer of "Migrant Kitchens." She works at the crossroad of food, culture, & migration.

"Cookbook of Gestures: Embodied Knowledge"

Join this intimate class & learn more about the Ni'matnāma's delicacies from 500 years ago. We will make rose & saffron infused basmati rice, a yogurt chickpea flour kadhi, vegetable pakoras with a cilantro chutney, & a sweet milk kheer for dessert. As we create, we not only engage in the multisensory skills but also with the cosmopolitan African Indian Ocean World cultures that the Ni'matnāma embodies: South Asian, North African, Arab, Persian, Central Asian, Turkic & more...



RSVP by April 25 & Event Details: amoralduenas@arizona.edu

CRFS Co-Sponsoring with Mission Gardens

Agave Heritage Festival

7:00 AM - 12:00PM Saturday, April 28, 2023

The garden opens early for a 7am agave planting. All are welcome to help expand Mission Garden's thriving agave cultivation sites. We'll employ some ancient agricultural techniques once used by Hohokam farmers. Partner organizations Bat Conservation International and Borderlands Restoration Network will help lead the project, providing insight on biodiversity and the ecological of these drought tolerant plants. No experience necessary; long pants and hats are recommended. All tools and gloves will be provided. Families are welcome!





Click here for more information.

Other Events





WHAT IS THE SUMMIT?

The 2023 Arizona Small Producer Summit will bring together farmers, producers, and vendors to build a shared understanding of the complex opportunities and challenges facing our food and agriculture ecosystem.

The summit aims to inspire collaborative action towards equitable access to resources for small producers.

Learn how the Small Business Development Center can support your business through a USDA grant program!

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TO PRE-REGISTER BY PHONE 520-515-5478 TO PRE-REGISTER BY EMAIL MIGUELK@COCHISE.EDU

LOCATION 4190 AZ-80, DOUGLAS, AZ 85607



is now open!

"Eating is an agricultural act"

WENDELL BERRY

Join us for the 2023 Arizona Small Producer Summit at Cruz Farm as we bring together resources for small producers from across the state to help build a shared understanding of the complex opportunities and challenges facing our food and agriculture systems. We encourage anyone connected to Arizona's food system to be part of this important discussion.

Sessions will dive into important agriculture and resource conversations and showcase opportunities for producers. Ranging from land and water policy to effective strategies for mitigating stigma in small and big agriculture.

The Arizona Small Producer Summit exists to motivate and create an inclusive opportunity to gain access to resources and farm success.

Agenda

7:30 Registration and Breakfast
8:30 Welcome & Opening Session
Understanding agriculture & policy
9:30 Water: AMA Douglas Basin and how this
impacts your water access
Business for Water Stewardship
Arizona Department of Water Resources

10:30 SARE 11:00 Rural Development 11:30 NRCS 12:00 Farm Service Agency

12:30 Lunch - Locally produced food will be served
Know where your food comes from!
1:00 University of Arizona Cooperative Extension
2:00 SBDC: Financial Planning for Loans
3:00 New Port of entry and opportunities for
farmers. US Border & Mexican Consulate
4 Closing Session

Microbes and Social Equity Virtual Symposium

Living in a Microbial World

11:00 - 2:45 EDT June 5-9, 2023

The event is free and open to the public! We are hosting it over Zoom. You may <u>register for one or all of the</u> sessions here.

A <u>program-in development is being put together here</u>, and we will add details as speakers are confirmed.

Session themes include:

- Reconsidering 'One Health' Through Microbes
- Microbiomes and climate justice

- Integrating the food systems through microbes
- Elevating human nutrition and microbiome practice
- MSE Member Research Showcase, featuring the work of our members!

MSE members are invited to submit abstracts and present their work!

We are adding a new session to our symposium which features you- our MSE Members! On June 9, MSE members will be sharing their own work in short presentations to showcase the variety of disciplines of our members' work.

We invite any MSE member to submit an abstract, including students and non-researchers.

We are inviting abstracts on microbiomes, people, ecosystems, and more, even if it is indirectly related to microbes and/or social equity.

Submit your abstract here!

Local Job Opportunity

Friends of Tucson's Birthplace/Mission Garden Is Hiring for Executive Director

Job description:

Mission Garden, a living agricultural museum of Sonoran Desert-adapted heritage fruit trees, traditional local heirloom crops and edible native plants, is seeking an Executive Director.

Reporting to the Board of Directors, the Executive Director will have overall strategic and operational responsibility for Friends of Tucson's Birthplace staff, programs, expansion, and execution of its mission. The Executive Director will develop knowledge of Mission Garden's core interpretive & educational programs, operations, and business plans and will be responsible for strategies and implementation for fundraising including grant writing.

To see the application, click <u>here</u>.

Position open until filled.

Please send cover letter, resume and three references to:

<u>search@missiongarden.org</u> or ED Search Committee Friends of Tucson's Birthplace P.O. Box 1228 Tucson, AZ 85702

The Executive Director is an exempt position

Job Opportunities

Virginia Tech Center for Food Systems and Community Transformation Is Hiring

Hiring for a Research Assistant Professor

The Department of Agricultural, Leadership, and Community Education (ALCE), in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) at Virginia Tech, invites applications for a Research Assistant Professor with a focus on interdisciplinary and community-based food systems research. This is a 12-month, non-tenure track position with full benefits and the opportunity for promotion. The position will support the Virginia Tech (VT) Center for Food Systems and Community Transformation, which is housed in CALS as an Extension and outreach center with community-based programming, research, and teaching aims and activity. The Center was established in 2019 to address food system issues and complexities at the nexus of food, agriculture, and society from a critical praxis perspective. Through its community-based and participatory work, the Center asserts the importance of epistemic justice and inclusion by valuing and uplifting diverse forms of knowledge and ways of knowing. As such, we encourage those committed to the promotion of justice and equity as core values in their scholarship to apply.

For a full position description and information to apply, please visit: www.research-assistant-professor-the-center-for-food-systems-and-community-transformation

Opportunities for Graduate Students

Two Fully Funded PhD Studentships at the University of Hertfordshire in the Domain of "Food"

Applications are invited by the Centre for Future Societies for two fully funded PhD

studentships at the University of Hertfordshire in the domain of 'food':

Growing communities? Learning, belonging and diversity in allotments

Supervisors: Dr Frances Harris, Prof Rebecca O'Connell

Enquiries: Dr Frances Harris - <u>f.harris@herts.ac.uk</u>

Exploring the potential of school kitchens as community resources

Supervisors: Prof Rebecca O'Connell, Dr Laura Hamilton

Enquiries: Prof Rebecca O'Connell - <u>r.oconnell2@herts.ac.uk</u>

The research studentships will be part of the University Alliance (UA) Doctoral Training Alliance in Future Societies. The studentships are offered on a full-time basis for three years from September 2023 (subject to satisfactory progress) and provide a bursary of a minimum of £17,668 per annum, with a full tuition fee waiver for three years. Awards increase every year in line with UKRI recommendations. Please note that the studentships are available and therefore applicable to UK nationals/UK resident applicants only, as a result of the available source of funding. The University particularly welcomes applications from British Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic applicants.

Further details about the proposed project titles and application process:

https://www.herts.ac.uk/research/centres/centre-for-future-societies-research/phd-studentships-2023

The studentships will be awarded through a highly competitive application process. We strongly encourage suitably qualified candidates to contact the primary supervisors, listed above, to organise a preliminary discussion of your suitability and application. Your email should outline the relevance of your experience to the proposed project.

Closing date for applications: 19 May 2023. Interviews will start soon after the closing date.

Studentships start date: September 2023.

https://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/CXN980/three-fully-funded-phd-research-studentships-in-future-societies

Food Systems and Society Graduate Program at Oregon Health and Science University

Urgent problems in social equity and sustainability require knowledgeable and committed change agents. We are excited to let you know about our online M.S. program in Food

Systems and Society (FSS) that addresses causes, consequences, and cures for these problems.

Our fully online curriculum enables students to share experiences and perspectives from different locations while maintaining their current commitments.

The FSS <u>website</u> describes our program in depth, including the application process. We invite you to explore it and share with students who may be interested in pursuing online graduate study in social justice and food systems.

We hope you, members of your department, and students will consider joining us for an online information session to learn more about the program and ask questions. We have weekly sessions on Wednesdays from 12-12:30pm PST until March 29th, Information for joining is here.

- Priority review of applications begins May 1, 2023 and these applicants can be considered for OHSU scholarship funding
- Applications accepted until August 15, 2023 if space is available
- Fall term courses begin September 25, 2023

Questions about the program or applying can be directed to <u>fss@ohsu.edu</u>.

General Opportunities

2023 Scholars' Grants from the CHNY

CONTACT: CHRISTINE DZUJNA cadzujna@gmail.com

THE CULINARY HISTORIANS OF NEW YORK IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2023 SCHOLARS' GRANTS. FUNDING BY JULIA CHILD FOUNDATION FOR GASTRONOMY AND CULINARY ARTS

APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 5, 2023

Culinary Historians of New York invites submissions for the 2023 CHNY Scholars' Grant in support of research and scholarship in the field of culinary history. Since 2012, the CHNY Scholar's Grant

has been recognized by the Julia Child Foundation with generous financial support. We are pleased to announce that the support has been given again this year, allowing CHNY to award three grants in the amounts of \$3,500, \$2,500, and \$1,500, respectively. The grants are open to all individuals age 18 and older. Further details and application requirements and forms can be found at http://www.culinaryhistoriansny.org/ by clicking on the "Scholars' Grant" link.

The awards will be announced in August.

The CHNY Scholars' Grant promotes research and scholarship in the field of culinary history and is awarded annually to individuals seeking financial support for a current, well-developed project that will culminate in a book, article, paper, film, or other scholarly endeavor, including ephemera. The grants are unrestricted and can be used to defray research expenses, attend conferences, or engage in other activities directly related to the applicant's project. Applicant should include a statement of how the funds will be used to advance the project.

North American Food Systems Network Ecogather

Sterling College is now offering NAFSN members a 10% discount for EcoGather courses.

"EcoGather" is a collaborative learning network dedicated to the vitality of ecosystems, communities, and economies. They currently offer 13 courses with plans to offer 11 more soon. Some are self-paced, others are synchronous, and all are online. EcoGather brings remote learning to life by grounding its offerings in community-centered design, place-based pedagogy, and experiential application. EcoGather strives to prepare learners at all stages of life to undertake or deepen active changemaking and caretaking work.

Affordability and accessibility are central to EcoGather's mission. They offer classes that typically range from \$150 to \$450, with equitable pricing scales. Read more here.

Request discount code.

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 <u>Campus Pantry</u> 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

Call for Submissions

Call for submissions opens April 1, 2022 with rolling deadline

Final submission deadline: November 1, 2023

Share your visions for the future of food and farming in southern Arizona!

Description:

The UA Center for Regional Food Studies (CRFS) is curating a multimedia storytelling project to explore visions for a more sustainable, just, and vibrant food system in southern Arizona. We invite

you to submit your stories and vision.

Questions we are exploring for this project include: What are your visions for the future of food and farming in southern Arizona? How do food traditions, heritage, and family stories shape your ideas for the future of food in this region? In the context of global climate change, urban development, and struggles for food sovereignty, how do food stories and practices provide hope and direction for the future? How can we build community and coalitions for change to work together towards more just futures? What role should food play in the economic development of our region?

Submissions will be collected and curated into a public storytelling project that explores visions for the future of food and farming in southern Arizona. Accepted submissions will be shared first online through the CRFS blog, then later in print and in the form of a podcast.

This storytelling project will also inform our approach to a teach-in (combining workshops, skill-sharing, and community conversations) and participatory action research about these topics in 2022-23.

Topics of engagement and storytelling might include (but are not limited to):

- Food heritage and how to keep it alive
- Climate change and climate adaptation
- Food and economic development
- Food justice and food sovereignty
- Just livelihoods for food system workers
- Youth and food
- Building community through food and farming
- Visions for technology, development, research, and/or collaboration
- The right to food and/or the right to farm

Who can submit a story or vision?

- Anyone can submit a story or vision regardless of their gender, age, profession, citizenship status, etc.
- Submissions can be from individuals or groups

Submission Format:

We invite you to share your visions about any of these topics as they relate to your community and/or the food-related work you do in southern Arizona. Submissions can be in any of the following formats:

- a short story, essay or statement describing your vision (maximum 500 words)
- audio recordings describing your vision (maximum 3.5 minutes)
- brief interviews (these can be completed upon request by CRFS staff)
- visual art (photography, drawings, paintings, etc.)

Please include your full name(s), contact information, and brief biography (50-100 words) with your submission.

Note: CRFS staff can assist with the recording of your submission if needed. We are also happy to collect your contribution through an interview. Please reach out to us to discuss how we can help.

Those with accepted submissions will be provided a modest honorarium and invited to participate in a community celebration of the complete project in December 2023.

Submissions will be accepted on a rolling deadline.

Final submission deadline: November 1, 2023

Email expressions of interest or submissions to CRFS assistant director, Laurel

Bellante: bellante@arizona.edu

For questions, concerns, or to learn more about the project, please contact CRFS director, Megan Carney, at mcarney@arizona.edu

Apertura de Convocatoria

Apertura de convocatoria: 1 de abril, 2022

Fecha límite definitiva: 1 de noviembre, 2023

¡Comparte tu visión del futuro de los alimentos

y la agricultura en el sur de Arizona!

Descripción:

El Centro de Estudios Alimentarios Regionales de la Universidad de Arizona está organizando una colección de narrativas multimedia para explorar distintas visiones de sistemas alimentarios más sustentables, justos y dinámicos en el sur de Arizona. Te invitamos a presentar tu visión e historias.

Las preguntas por explorar en este proyecto incluyen: ¿Cuáles son tus visiones para el futuro de los alimentos y la agricultura en el sur de Arizona? ¿Cómo es que las tradiciones culinarias, tu

patrimonio e historias familiares definen tu visión del futuro de los alimentos en esta región? En el contexto del cambio climático global, el desarrollo urbano y la lucha por la soberanía alimentaria ¿de qué manera te dan esperanza y una dirección a futuro las prácticas alimentarias e historias alrededor de ellas? ¿Cómo podemos construir comunidades y alianzas de cambio para trabajar por futuros más justos? ¿Qué papel deberían jugar los alimentos en el desarrollo económico de nuestra región?

Los materiales seleccionados serán recopilados y presentados en una colección de narrativas comunitarias que explora las visiones del futuro de los alimentos y la agricultura en el sur de Arizona. Las propuestas que sean aceptadas se compartirán primero en línea a través del blog del Centro, luego en formato impreso y en un podcast.

Este proyecto de narrativas también orientará nuestro enfoque educativo y de investigación-acción participativa (una combinación de talleres, intercambio de habilidades, y conversaciones comunitarias) alrededor de estos temas en 2022-23.

Los temas de participación y narrativa incluyen (pero no están limitados a):

- Patrimonio alimentario y cómo mantenerlo vivo
- Cambio climático y adaptación climática
- Desarrollo alimentario y económico
- Justicia y soberanía alimentarias
- Vivienda justa para trabajadores del sistema alimentario
- Juventud y alimentos
- Construcción comunitaria desde la alimentación y la agricultura
- Visiones de tecnología, desarrollo, investigación y/o colaboración
- El derecho a la alimentación y/o el derecho de cultivar

¿Quien puede enviar una propuesta?:

- Cualquier persona puede mandar su propuesta sin importar género, edad, profesión, estatus migratorio, etc.
- Propuestas pueden ser de parte de individuos o grupos

Formato de presentaciones:

Te invitamos a compartir tu visión sobre cualquiera de estos temas en la medida en que se relacionan con tu comunidad y/o con tu trabajo con los alimentos en el sur de Arizona. Las presentaciones pueden ser en cualquiera de los siguientes formatos:

Historia corta, ensayo o una declaración que describa tu visión (máximo 500 palabras)

- Grabaciones de audio describiendo tu visión (máximo 3.5 minutos)
- Entrevistas cortas (pueden ser completadas a solicitud del personal de CRFS)
- Arte visual (fotografía, dibujos, pintura, etc.)

Favor de enviar junto con su presentación: nombre(s), información de contacto, biografía corta (50-100 palabras).

Nota: El personal de CRFS puede asistir en la grabación de presentaciones si es necesario. También estamos dispuestos incluir su participación a través de una entrevista. Por favor contáctenos para discutir cómo podemos ayudar.

Aquellas personas cuyas presentaciones sean aceptadas recibirán un honorario modesto y podrán participar en una celebración comunitaria al concluir el proyecto en diciembre 2023.

Las presentaciones serán recibidas y evaluadas hasta llenarse el cupo.

Fecha límite definitiva: 1 de Noviembre, 2023

Puede expresar su interés o mandar su presentación a la subdirectora del CRFS, Laurel Bellante: bellante@arizona.edu

Para preguntas, inquietudes o para aprender más del proyecto, por favor contacte a la directora del CRFS, Megan Carney, at mcarney@arizona.edu

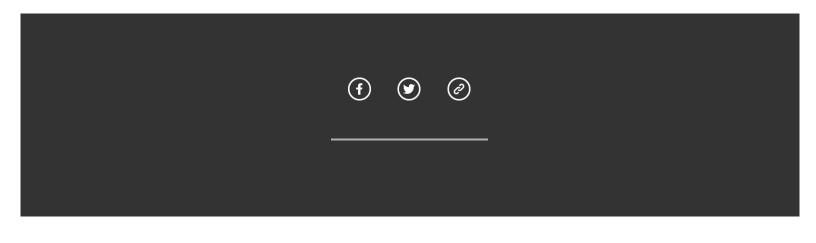
CRFS Blog Submissions

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 <u>Food Studies Website</u> for more information about the Bachelor of Arts in Food Studies.

Please visit the <u>Nutrition and Food Systems Website</u> for more information about the Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Food Systems.



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