



# DEPAUL ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND STUDIES NEWSLETTER

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## NOTABLE DATES

**Saturday, May 6**

### Vincentian Service Day

DePaul Community Day of Service.  
Join up by May 2. Register [HERE](#)

**Friday, May 12**

Last day to withdraw from SQ2023  
classes

**Thursday, May 18**

### 6:00 PM-McGowan South 105

Movie Night! Film screening of the  
movie "The Letter" and discussion.  
Pizza, popcorn and refreshments  
will be served!

[ENV Student Handbook LINK](#)

## Vincentian Service Day Is Saturday, May 6

Join the DePaul community for this annual University tradition celebrating our  
Vincentian mission. Registration closes May 2!

Vincentian Service Day (VSD) is an annual tradition at DePaul. Started during the  
1998-1999 school year as part of DePaul's Centennial celebration, over 1,000 DePaul  
students, staff, faculty and alumni participate in a day of service with 50+ community  
partners in the Chicagoland area and cities around the country.

VSD 2023 will begin in the Sullivan Athletic Center on DePaul's Lincoln Park campus  
and in-person participants will do service throughout Chicago. We will also have a  
limited offering of remote opportunities via pre-registration. Doors open at 8:00 AM,  
Program starts at 8:30 AM.

Visit the frequently asked questions page for more information or contact the  
Vincentian Service Day team at [serviceday@depaul.edu](mailto:serviceday@depaul.edu).

Register [HERE](#) for Vincentian Service Day.



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### **INTERN WITH THE FIELD MUSEUM**

Two paid internships are intended to give hands-on, mentored research experience to exceptional undergraduates especially from historically-underrepresented backgrounds (women, BIPOC students, first-generation college students, and/or students with disabilities).

## **Field Museum Paid Internships**

The Field Museum has several internship opportunities with some flexibility in scope. There is a rolling deadline for two internships under the Prince Fellowship. Focus on both programs will be on plants - but could extend to machine learning, microscopy, DNA lab work etc depending on level of expertise or interest.

1. Project title: Accelerating the pace of scientific discovery: Uncovering hidden biodiversity using morphology, molecular tools & machine learning. This internship would be focusing on early land plants (mosses, liverworts and hornworts), which are used as environmental indicators of climate change and are evolutionary very significant...The mentee will join a diverse team helping unlock hidden biodiversity from these microscopic plants, especially the liverwort genus *Frullania*. Skills that will be acquired through this internship: Development of computer-aided tools, coding, digital microscopy, DNA tools, fieldwork, herbarium skills, morphometrics, plant systematics. Preferred dates are flexible. The internship could be over the summer, or throughout the year to the equivalent of ten weeks full time. This recognizes that some mentees may have challenges that preclude them to a full-time internship because of other commitments.
2. Uncovering Hidden Diversity of Prairies: Insights into the cryptobiotic world of bryophytes and lichens. Bryophytes and lichens play a major ecological role, forming an important and conspicuous component of the vegetation in many regions of the world, including Illinois. The mentee will be part of a team that provides a complete inventory of the bryophyte and lichen biota at the Nachusa Grasslands and selected natural areas in close proximity. The mentee will take part in collecting & fieldwork, inventorying, using molecular tools, digitization, and outreach to the public at the Field Museum.

Interested students should email Dr. Matt von Konrat :

[mvonkonrat@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:mvonkonrat@fieldmuseum.org)

**JOIN US FOR LUNCH WITH  
NONVIOLENCE ACTIVIST  
KANINI KIMAU**



Elizabeth Kanini Kimau is DePaul's 2023 Berrigan-McAlister award winner, a title that honors Christian nonviolence practitioners. Kimau has dedicated her life to rebuilding relationships and community among people in Northern Kenya and South Sudan. Now, she's giving us the chance to get to know her and her work! For a chance to talk, join us for some lunch!

Tuesday, May 16  
12-1:30  
McGowan South Room 204  
1110 W. Belden Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60614

RSVP Now!



## Lunch with Elizabeth Kanini Kimau, Berrigan-McAlister Award Winner On May 16

ENV and PAX students are invited to have lunch with the 2023 recipient of the Berrigan-McAlister Award, a recognition created in 2021 to honor those whose active Christian nonviolence—like that practiced by Fr. Daniel Berrigan, SJ, Phillip Berrigan, and Elizabeth McAlister—resists injustice, transforms conflict, fosters reconciliation, and seeks justice and peace for all.

Elizabeth Kanini Kimau, an activist engaged in building a culture of peace in Northern Kenya and Southern Sudan, will receive the 2023 Berrigan-McAlister Award. A founder of Horn of Africa Grassroots Peace Forum, Kimau focuses on capacity building of those directly impacted by inter-ethnic violence to support their becoming agents of peace. A lay Christian woman working without funding or an official position, Kimau has spent many years building trust among peoples divided by ongoing violent conflict, including the Rendille and Borana communities. She has often put her life at risk to foster nonviolent options.

"Nonviolence," Kimau writes, "is the solution to the protracted conflicts which have resulted in the loss of meaning to the preciousness of life and subjected many people to live in dehumanizing conditions." She has recently become an adjunct professor at St. Paul's University in Kenya and is pursuing a doctorate at the Centre for Nonviolence in

Durban University of Technology, South Africa.

ENV and PAX students are invited to meet personally and have lunch with Elizabeth Kanini Kimau.

Lunch With Elizabeth Kanini Kimau  
2023 Berrigan-McAlister Award Recipient  
Tuesday, May 16, Noon to 1:30 PM  
ENV Conference Room 204 in McGowan South

Please RSVP [HERE](#) to reserve your spot.

**MOVIE NIGHT** "The Letter" tells the incredible story of the Laudato Si' encyclical letter by Pope Francis, through the eyes of front line leaders battling the ecological crisis across continents.

Join us for a film screening and discussion. Pizza, popcorn and refreshments will be served! Watch the trailer [HERE](#).

Thursday, May 18 6:00 PM  
McGowan South 105

No RSVP necessary. Open to all DePaul students, faculty and staff.

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Department of Environmental Science & Studies  
Archdiocese of Chicago Care for Creation Ministry  
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**Tourism and climate change: How does culture effect tourist decision making?**

Join this Global Conversation to share tourism experiences from your home country or prior travels. Engage in dialogue to intercultural insights that inform learning. Challenge your tourism decision making to reflect global climate change imperatives.

Wednesday, May 3 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. (US Central)

Free registration here:  
[Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

Join students and faculty from all over the world for a lively discussion facilitated by:

Mark Potosnak, PhD, DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois, USA  
Rachel Welton, Nottingham Trent University, Nottingham, UK  
Daniela Buzova, Universitat de València, València, Spain

JOIN DR. JESS VOGT & ENV DEI FOR  
AN URBAN FORESTRY DEMO WITH

# BARTLETT TREE EXPERTS

Friday, May 12 | 1 - 3 PM  
The Quad at DePaul University

RSVP: [HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/BARTLETT-TREE-URBAN-FORESTRY-DEMO-TICKETS-62455900787](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bartlett-tree-urban-forestry-demo-tickets-62455900787)

- Learn about urban forestry career paths and give your resume to the VP of Bartlett, Scott Jamieson.
- See the tools of integrated pest management as used in plant health care.
- See a demonstration of tree climbing and maybe even get in a harness and climb yourself!



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## Bartlett Tree Demonstration On Campus - Friday, May 12

Back by popular demand! The Bartlett Tree Company will be on campus to provide a demonstration and discuss careers in urban forestry.

- Learn about urban forestry and arboriculture as a career path - including an opportunity to give your resume to the VP of Bartlett, Scott Jamieson
- See the tools of IPM as used in PHC - that's "integrated pest management" and "plant health care"
- See a demonstration of tree climbing and maybe even get in a harness and climb yourself!

Reserve a spot [HERE](#).

## Interested in a Career in Sustainability? Illinois Green Alliance Virtual Event Offers Insight and Advice

You are invited to join the Illinois Green Alliance's Auxiliary Board for the panel, "Developing Leadership in Sustainability" This session will highlight sustainability professionals in various levels of leadership roles who have risen through the ranks of sustainability-minded companies. Learn how they have navigated their professional pathways so far and what they envision the rest of their career journeys will be. Learn more about progressing towards a leadership role in sustainability — register to hear from our esteemed presenters and get your questions answered!

Panelists:

- Mohammad Abbasi, Senior Consultant, Built Ecology at WSP
- Jordan Calverley, U.S. Sustainability Manager at McDonald's
- Deana Haynes, CRE Vertical Director at ChargePoint

Learn more about Illinois Green's Auxiliary Board— the place for emerging professionals in sustainability to connect and take action.

"Developing Leadership in Sustainability" (May 2nd 12-1pm CT) is a free, virtual event. [REGISTER HERE](#)



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## North Pond Restoration With The DePaul Conservation Club On May 6

The DePaul Student Conservation Club is putting on an event in support of restoration efforts of the Lincoln Park Conservatory's North Pond on Saturday, May 6.

Working in cooperation with the Lincoln Park Conservatory to restore North Pond and its natural flora. We will meet in DePaul University Quad at 9:30 AM on Saturday, May 6th, and travel together to the North Pond in Lincoln Park.

Please register to volunteer by Thursday, May 5.

More information can be found on DeHUB where the event is listed.

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## Attention Class of 2023 - Donate Your Graduation Gown to ENV

Pay it forward and help us be more sustainable! ENV graduates can make their first donation to the department right after graduation.

The Class of 2023 can hand their graduation gown to an ENV faculty member following the commencement ceremony on June 10 or stop by the ENV Department during the summer and drop it off.

Your donation will help a future ENV graduate save the expense of purchasing a gown and help make our department more sustainable!

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## Engaging the Environment, Honoring our Heritage - An AAPI Month Panel

To celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) month, DePaul Global Asian Studies and the DePaul Humanities Center are collaborating to present, "Engaging the Environment, Honoring our Heritage," an AAPI Month Zoom panel featuring guest speakers from three different regions—Chicago, Los Angeles, and the Northern Mariana Islands. DePaul Vice President Elizabeth Ortiz of the Office of Institutional Diversity and Equity office will introduce the evening and provide opening remarks.

Presenters:

Cyatharine Alias of Chicago Asian Americans for Environmental Justice  
Tsukuru Fors of Pacific Asian Nuclear-Free Peace Alliance  
Sheila Jack Babauta, former House Representative for the Northern Mariana Islands.

Wednesday, May 10, 8:00-9:30 p.m. CT via Zoom - Register [HERE](#).

All AAPI events are free and open to the public. We welcome classes!

**Join DePaul's Conservation Club  
for a Day of Restoration  
Gardening at North Pond Nature  
Sanctuary**



**WHEN:** Sat. May 6th  
**WHERE:** Meet at the Quad  
**TIME:** 9:30am

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**WATCH TRAILER**

**MOVIE NIGHT**

**The Third Annual Berrigan-  
McAlister Award: Celebrating  
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**Monday, May 15**  
6:30pm-8:30pm CST  
DePaul University Student Center #120  
2250 N. Sheffield Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60614

*Virtual Live Stream Available*  
Click for more information and to Register!



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**May is upon us!**

**There's lots  
happening on  
campus. Venture out  
and experience  
something new!**

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**For more information and registration:**  
[serviceday.depaul.edu](http://serviceday.depaul.edu)

**Questions?**  
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