

NEWSLETTER

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The UCR STS Initiative continues to host individual conversations with the NSF and UCR faculty, community activist/experts, and researchers to sponsor at UCR a **national conference**, tentatively entitled "Climate Change from Theory to Practice". The event builds on the university's land grant status to highlight the multifaceted campus focuses on STS present in each department/program addressing questions pertinent to societal challenges like climate change.

According to NSF grant captain/PI Flip Tanedo (Physics), "We propose a Science and Technology Studies (STS) conference on the following broad question: What is the role of academic institutions to address large-scale societal challenges? The overarching goals of the conference are: 1) to promote the UCR STS Initiative to STS scholars and community experts around the country, and 2) to let the scholarship and experiences of academics from established STS departments inform the way we take the next step in growing the STS initiative."

Your voice is needed and there's lots of work to be done to meet the submission deadline in early August 2024. Reach out to Flip Tanedo via email to arrange a one-on-one discussion: <u>flip.tanedo@ucr.edu</u>



Flip Tanedo Associate Professor UCR Particle Theory

Submitted by: Linda Jean Hall, March 2024

Member Announcements:

NEW! Graduate Seminar

"I am teaching a graduate seminar (ANTH 253) in Spring 2024. We will discuss the breakthroughs in the 21st century human evolution research, and I hope to incorporate science studies approach in understanding and discussing these discoveries."

The class meets Thursdays 12 noon – 2:50 pm, in Watkins 1347.

Inquiries welcome!



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Featured Conferences:

Futurity as Praxis: Learning from Octavia E. Butler



This two-day conference explores Octavia E. Butler, how we have learned from her writing, and what her archive at The Huntington can help future generations discover.

The year 2024 marks the beginning of the critical dystopian future Octavia E. Butler (1947–2006) envisioned in her groundbreaking novel *Parable of the Sower*. Her fiction and the story of her life compel us to reckon with power, leadership, creativity, the Earth, human relationships, and the unknown possibilities that await us in the stars. Now, intellectuals from different communities will gather to contemplate her legacy. This conference asks how we have learned from Butler's writing and what her archive at The Huntington—a short distance from where the author spent her formative years in Pasadena, California—can help future generations discover.

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Photo caption: Octavia E. Butler. Photographer unknown, August 2002. Octavia E. Butler Correspondence and Photographs, HM 80701. The Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens.

Thu., May 23, 2024, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Fri., May 24, 2024, 9:30 a.m.–5 p.m. https://huntington.org/event/futurity-praxis



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The Asian Conference on Science, Technology & Medicine (ACSTM) is a globally renowned academic event that fosters reporting, advanced research, and development in the entire field of Science, Technology, and Medicine. ACSTM provides a high-end academic platform for both early-career and established scientists and researchers to share exciting ideas, refresh their knowledge, strengthen collaboration, and build new networks across disciplines. Attending ACSTM-2024 is an opportunity for a rewarding experience.

17-18 August 2024 | Dubai, UAE



11th-12th March 2024

International Conference on Advances in Science and Technology and Humanities (ICASTH-2024) which is scheduled to be held from 11th - 12th March 2024 in Berlin,Germany. ICASTH-2024 will create a global platform to researchers, scientists, academicians, policymakers, industry experts to share experiences, discuss research findings and acquire the desired knowledge in the subject from around the world with many networking opportunities.

The IARED International Conference is a federated organization dedicated to bringing together a significant number of diverse scholarly events for presentation within the conference program. Events will run over a span of time during the conference depending on the number and length of the presentations. With its high quality, it provides an exceptional value for students, academics and industry researchers. International Conference on Advances in Science and Technology and Humanities aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results on all aspects of Science and Technology and Humanities. It also provides a premier interdisciplinary platform for researchers, practitioners and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns as well as practical challenges encountered and solutions adopted in the fields of Science and Technology and Humanities.

https://iared.org/Conference/1059/ICASTH/

Featured Book:



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Feminist Cyberlaw reimagines the field of cyberlaw through a feminist lens. Essays crafted for this volume by emerging and established scholars and practitioners explore how gender, race, sexuality, disability, class, and the intersections of these identities affect cyberspace and the laws that govern it. This vibrant and visionary volume promises to build a movement of scholars whose work charts a near future where cyberlaw is informed by feminism.

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