SOUTHDAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPEAKER SERIES

Leading thinkers about important issues of our time

Tuesday, January 19, 2016
The Role of Humanities & the University in Creating a Better World
Gregory Peterson, professor in the Department of History, Political Science, Philosophy and Religion, joined the College of Arts and Sciences at SDSU in 2002. He holds a Ph.D. from Denver University, M.A. from Luther Seminary and B.A. from University of Minnesota. His specialty areas include ethics, social and political philosophy, religion and science. Peterson was named the College of Arts and Sciences Researcher of the Year in 2008.
7:00 p.m., Student Union, Volstorff Ballroom. Sponsors: J.P. Hendrickson Faculty Scholar and Herbert Cheever Jr. Liberal Arts Lecture

Wednesday, January 20, 2016
Breaking Silence: The Pervasiveness of Oppression
Antonia Darder is a world-renowned scholar, poet and activist who holds the Leavy Presidential Endowed Chair in Ethics and Moral Leadership at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles. For 30 years, her ideas on critical pedagogy, critical democracy, political economy and education have informed scholars and activists and served to both strengthen the field of critical education and furthered efforts to alleviate human suffering around the world.
6:00 p.m., South Dakota Art Museum Auditorium. Sponsors: Office of Diversity, Equity and Community, and Women’s Studies

Thursday, January 28, 2016
Governing Global Health in an Interconnected World
Katherine E. Bliss is a senior associate with the Global Health Policy Center at the Washington, D.C.-based Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), where she has launched research on the role of the BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) and other emerging economies in shaping a new global health agenda. Bliss earned a Ph.D. at the University of Chicago and was a David E. Bell Fellow at the Harvard School of Public Health.
7:00 p.m., Student Union, Volstorff Ballroom. Sponsors: Harding Lecture Committee and South Dakota World Affairs Council

Wednesday, February 17, 2016
Because I Said I Would
Alex Shew had a simple idea—a make and keep promises to yourself and others—which led to leading I said I would, a social movement and nonprofit dedicated to the betterment of humanity. It encourages and supports making and keeping promises to end suffering, establish peace and build happiness through the promise card, which helps hold people accountable to their commitments.
7:00 p.m., Performing Arts Center, Larson Concert Hall. Sponsor: University Program Council (UPC)

Thursday, February 25, 2016
Eating Like a Pig: The Role of Meat in the Human Diet
Eric Berg, professor of animal science at ND State, has focused his research on using swine as a biomedical model for humans with regard to the role of meat in a healthy low-glycemic diet. In 2015, Berg was selected to represent the American Meat Science Association in oral testimony to the Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Agriculture during the public comment hearing for the 2015 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee report.
7:00 p.m., Performing Arts Center, Larson Concert Hall. Sponsor: Swine Club

Monday, March 21, 2016
The Role of the Humanities in the Digital Age: The GPWC at 40 Years
Janet H. Murray is an internationally recognized interaction designer, specializing in digital narrative and digital humanities. She is the author of “Hamlet on the Holodeck: The Future of Narrative in Cyberspace” (1998) and “Inventing the Medium: Principles of Interaction Design as a Cultural Practice” (2011), which was hailed as “an epic accomplishment.”
7:00 p.m., McCrory Gardens Education and Visitor Center. Sponsor: English Department

Tuesday, March 22, 2016
Plants Know What Day It Is: Phenology in a Changing Climate
Mark D. Schwartz, Distinguished Professor of geography at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, was co-founder of the USA-National Phenology Network (usanpn.org), which engages citizen scientists to observe and report stages of plant growth and development. His research focuses on interactions of the lower atmosphere regarding vegetation during the onset of spring and autumn in mid-latitudes.
6:00 p.m., McCrory Gardens Education and Visitor Center. Sponsors: Geospatial Sciences Center of Excellence and Geography Department

Tuesday, April 12, 2016
Attract the Attention of Influential Sponsors
Jo Miller, Women’s Leadership Summit keynote speaker, explores the difference between mentors and sponsors. Learn four ways to make the most of mentoring conversations, how to identify potential sponsors and how to create a culture of sponsorship in your organization. Discover eight steps to gaining sponsorship and leave with a personalized plan to attract the attention of an influential sponsor.
3:00 p.m., Student Union 169. Sponsors: Women’s Studies, UPC, Nonprofit Leadership Alliance and Consumer Affairs Student Organization

Wednesday, April 13, 2016
2016 Hoch Family Lecture
Dr. Randy Schekman is a Nobel Prize-winning cell biologist at the University of California, Berkeley. He is the former editor-in-chief of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences and is now the editor of eLife, a high-profile open-access journal launched in 2012. Schekman shared the 2013 Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine with James Rothman and Thomas C. Sudhof for groundbreaking work on cell membrane vesicle trafficking.
7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center, Larson Concert Hall. Sponsor: Hoch Family Lecture in Health Science

Thursday, April 14, 2016
Getting on with Life: Managing Long-Term Conditions
Kate Long is a nurse and Professor Emeritus at Stanford University School of Medicine and director of the Stanford Patient Education Research Center. Her career has focused around developing, evaluating and translating programs for self-management programs for chronic diseases, cancer survivors and caregivers. Long will be the 2016 College of Nursing Dean’s Distinguished Lecturer.
7:00 p.m., McCrory Gardens Education and Visitor Center. Sponsor: College of Nursing

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