

Hello/Hola/Salut from the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies!

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1) FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We congratulate and thank the following LLCS faculty members for their years of service to BSU:

Dr. Monika Gross – 35 years

Dr. David Basena – 25 Years

Dr. Monifa Love – 10 Years

2) ENGLISH MA OPEN HOUSE

Want to learn more about how to advance your career and satisfy your intellectual curiosity with a Master's degree in English at BSU? Join our Open House this Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 pm. Zoom Registration

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0qcuCoqTwoEtxONAoqSkROr8rSxe_KOYTc



3) CAREER CONVERSATION WITH FORMER BSU ENGLISH MAJOR



Dr. Horacio Sierra's ENGL 438: Senior Seminar will host **Markus Howell** as a guest speaker tomorrow as part of the department's Career Conversation Series. Mr. Howell is an English Teacher and Baseball Coach at Dr. Henry Wise Jr., High School in Prince George's County. After being a member of the U.S Marine Corps and working for the Naval Sea Systems Command, Markus enrolled at Bowie State University as an English major with a concentration in Secondary Education and Teaching. He finished his Bachelor's degree at Clemson University, where he is currently working on his Master of Science degree in Athletic Leadership.

4) DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA JOB FAIR – WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY



Mayor Muriel Bowser announces the first hiring event of 2022, "New Year, New Career Virtual Hiring Fair." On Wednesday, March 16th and Thursday, March 17th, from 10am to 6pm, the DC Department of Human Resources will focus on enhancing the interaction between residents, recruiters, and hiring managers in the District of Columbia Government using a virtual platform. Participating agencies have the ability to make on the spot job offers for DC Government jobs in a number of industries. Other offers will be made within a week after the event. The event is free and registration is required for jobseekers. [Register Here.](#)

5) JOB OPPORTUNITY: DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR



Hours: Full-time (40 hours/week); some evenings and weekends required

Reports to: Community and Donor Relations Manager

Purpose: To advance the mission of the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia by working as part of a team to meet and exceed financial, human and in-kind resource goals and to strengthen relationships between donors and LCNV.

Summary: The Literacy Council of Northern Virginia (LCNV) is Virginia's oldest and largest nonprofit literacy organization. Our mission is to teach adults the basic skills of reading, writing, speaking, and understanding English so they can access employment and educational opportunities and more fully and equitably participate in the community. LCNV serves 1500 learners from 90 different countries who speak over 60 different languages annually. The Development Coordinator will join our innovative and collaborative team to support fundraising efforts for LCNV, including donor appeals, grant writing, and special events.

Donor Management:

1. Process and track all incoming gifts for the organization.
2. Manage quarterly appeal mailings from start to finish, including report generation from Salesforce; donor analysis; create segmented and personalized appeal letters for multiple target groups; supervise volunteers; track and analyze results.
3. Write and produce acknowledgement letters for all charitable gifts. Prepare and send notifications for gifts made in honor/memory of someone.
4. Maintain donor database, including updates, data entry and generation of reports.
5. Complete applications for and oversee employee-giving programs (e.g., United Way, World Bank, CFC) and government tax credit programs.
6. Track results and generate reports for specialized donor 'campaigns', e.g., challenge grant/matching gift, major gift campaign, NAP, etc.
7. Reconcile donations on a monthly basis with Finance Manager.
8. Update internal procedures for donor management and appeal mailings.

Special Events:

1. Develop and maintain work plans for special events, including an annual fundraising breakfast, a virtual fundraising campaign, and a recognition ceremony for students, volunteers and partners.
2. Manage all aspects of special events, including communicating task requirements, monitoring progress on tasks, preparing materials, and supervising event day activities and logistics.
3. Conduct post-event follow-up and acknowledgement, including event evaluation.

Grants:

1. Write and prepare grant proposals and reports as assigned by the Senior Director of Advancement.
2. Assist with reviewing grant proposals as needed.

Click here for more information and to apply: <https://lcnv.org/work-with-us/>

6) PEACE CORPS INFO SESSION – APRIL 5



**PEACE
CORPS
INFO SESSION**

Serving in the Peace Corps is a great way to immerse yourself in a new culture, learn a new language, and have the experience of a lifetime.

Join us at this information session to:

- Learn about Volunteer experiences
- Ask questions about service
- Gain tips to guide you through the application process

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022

5:00 – 5:30 PM

VIRTUAL EVENT

[Zoom Link](#)



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If you require reasonable accommodations when attending a Peace Corps event, please contact Michaela Cheatham (mcheatham@peacecorps.gov) and provide details of the reasonable accommodation you are requesting.

Zoom Link: <https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/4090540458>

7) DRIFTERS EMERGENCY STUDENT GRANT

The Drifters Emergency Student Grant is a \$10,000 grant awarded annually to degree-conferring institutions whose student enrollment is primarily comprised of students from underrepresented backgrounds. These grants have been given to

numerous colleges and universities to help students to continue their studies. BSU was awarded the grant at The National Drifters, Inc. 63rd national Convention in August 2019. As a result, Juniors/Seniors in the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies experiencing an emergency need for tuition assistance, housing assistance, course materials, meal planning, or transportation assistance are eligible to apply. Please Contact Professor Lane (alane@bowiestate.edu) or Dr. Basena (dbasena@bowiestate.edu) for an application form.

8) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta welcomes new members. This year's Induction Ceremony will be held the first week of May.

Membership Requirements:

- Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.
- Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.
- Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$40 goes to Sigma Tau Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate.

To learn more about Membership Benefits, please click here: <http://english.org/members/benefits.shtml>

If you are interested in becoming a member, please e-mail hsierra@bowiestate.edu

