

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

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## 1) BSU SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN HIKE: SATURDAY



Dr. Sumanth Reddy will lead BSU's Outdoors Club on an easy hike up Sugarloaf Mountain in Dickerson, Maryland this Saturday from 10:00 to 4:00 pm. Students should meet no later than 9:45 am in the Student Center Parking Lot. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Learn more and signup here: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Sugarloaf Mountain Hike](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Sugarloaf_Mountain_Hike)

## 2) FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**Dr. Temptaous McKoy** gave an Invited Lecture at Carnegie Mellon University entitled "But Are Ya'll Doin' The Work: Moving from Discussion to Action" as part of their Rhetoric Colloquium Speaker Series.

**Dr. Kim Evelyn** presented her paper "The Beach as Contested Space in Two Caribbean Women's Novels" at the 40th West Indian Literature Conference and 11th Critical Caribbean Symposium in Nassau, Bahamas.

**Dr. Horacio Sierra** presented his paper "Sixteenth-Century Broadway: Six's Hyperpop Take on Early Modern Feminism" at the Sixteenth-Century Studies Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

### **3) QUEER STUDIES GUEST SPEAKERS: NOVEMBER 22**



Dr. Horacio Sierra's ENGL 254: Queer Cultural Studies students will speak with two young LGBTQ professionals to discuss how they have relayed their studies into careers advancing LGBTQ issues.

Leslie Hall (BSU alumnus), Human Right Campaign's HBCU Director  
Celena Morisson, City of Philadelphia's Office of LGBT Affairs Director

All are welcome to join the Zoom Room on November 22 at 11:00 am:  
<https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/4090540458>

### **4) END-OF-SEMESTER CELEBRATION: DECEMBER 13**

Join us in MLK 253 on Tuesday, December 13, at 12:30 pm as we celebrate the end of the semester. We will honor our Dean's List students and hand out Student Writing Awards. Lunch will be served.

### **5) RANGEL SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM**

The Rangel International Affairs Program offers a six-week summer enrichment program designed to provide undergraduate students with an appreciation of current issues and trends in international affairs, an understanding of career opportunities in the field, and higher knowledge and skills to pursue such careers. The Summer Enrichment Program encourages the application of students from minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, women, and those with financial need in order to fulfill the Rangel Program mission – to enhance diversity in U.S. representation abroad.

What does it include? Two for-credit courses at Howard University for up to six credit hours, plus a seminar on professional writing. Scholars explore international careers by meeting public and private sector professionals and by visiting the Department of State, international organizations, and NGOs. The Program also discusses graduate school, scholarship and internship opportunities and helps students hone key professional skills.

The Rangel Program covers tuition, travel, room and board, and provides a \$3,300 stipend. Learn more here:

<https://rangelprogram.org/summer-enrichment-program/>

## 6) BSU DEI CAMPUS CLIMATE SURVEY



BSU's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee asks all members of the BSU community to fill out a campus climate so that it can better advance diversity, equity, and inclusion in every area, including BSU's business processes, academic programs, community experiences and legacy planning.

Click here to fill out the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DEICAMPUSCLIMATESURVEY>

## 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](mailto:alane@bowiestate.edu)) or Dr. Basena ([dbasena@bowiestate.edu](mailto:dbasena@bowiestate.edu)) for an application form.

## 8) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta welcomes new members.

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. LLCS can help pay for your membership fees.

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](mailto:hsierra@bowiestate.edu)

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