Subject: Meet the Professor TONIGHT + Upcoming Opportunities
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Hello Honors Students,

We look forward to seeing you all at Meet the Professor tonight, October 7 in the LBJSC Ballroom 4:30pm-6:00pm. Please read our last email (sent 10/02/19) thoroughly for details. Attending this event is your best opportunity to get into honors courses, especially high-demand honors courses. As a reminder, emails we send to all honors students are archived on our website here: www.txstate.edu/honors/info/members/emails.

Upcoming Events (view our events calendar at www.txstate.edu/honors/events/upcoming):

Peace Corps Coffee Hour Info Session on Wednesday, October 9 at 10am in LAMP 407A
Information session on the opportunities in the Peace Corps program. Refreshments will be provided. Please contact ml45@txstate.edu for more information.

Scouting the Unknown: Talk with Ryan Sallans on Wednesday, October 9 at 7pm in Alkek Teaching Theatre
Since 2005, author and LGBTQIA+ advocate Ryan Sallans has captivated audiences on university campuses nationwide with his presentation, "Scouting the Unknown." Sallans explores basic terminology and language surrounding sex assigned at birth, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, transgender and nonbinary identities, and explains gender identity development. He then shares his own transition story, exploring the intersections of identity as his identities changed and reflecting on what he has experienced and witness over the years, and how society has shifted. He closes with asking the audience to think about their struggles and challenges in life, and identify where they feel supported, while honoring their truths.


Living in the Truth of Cajun History: Re-making Citizens and Society through Public History in Louisiana on Thursday October 10 at 5:30pm in UAC 209
Prior to the 1970s, public authorities of all kinds viewed Cajuns as problematic whites who needed to “modernize” and forget their past. Representations of the Cajun people at historical and commemorative sites were thus few and far between. Since then, however, the number of sites and spectacles that feature their history and heritage has exploded across the southern part of the state. Using the late theorizing of Michel Foucault as a lens, Dr. Marc David describes the conditions that led to the sudden rise of an “official” Acadian public history and explores how this new historical narrative serves the diverse and overlapping interests of both public officials and everyday citizens of Cajun ancestry. Attendees will gain a greater appreciation of the cultural complexity and diversity in southern Louisiana as well as a deeper understanding of how public institutions govern by forging ethnic and cultural identities and how we, in turn, assimilate these identities into our own lives. Dr. Marc David’s talk will be followed by a Q&A with the audience. All students, faculty, staff, and members of the Texas State community are welcome to attend. Please contact rmh109@txstate.edu for more information.
Truth in Transit: Cultivating a Walkable, Bikeable, and Inclusive San Marcos on Thursday, October 10 at 6pm in the Honors College Coffee Forum (LAMP 407)

For many people, transportation is just a way to get from A to B — usually by car. But decades of research shows that, if we design our streets to prioritize walking, biking, and public transit, we can improve public health, make our economy stronger, and build a more inclusive and vibrant community. How might Central Texas and San Marcos become leaders in the state by creating an urban and suburban streetscape that encourages more walking and biking? What opportunities (and obstacles) shape current policy? And how can students, faculty, and local residents collaborate to make this achievable future a reality?

Join us for a live podcast event featuring special guest panelists:

- **Dr. Joca Marquez**, San Marcos City Council, Place 5
- **Alex Vogt**, coordinator of Alternative Transportation, Texas State
- **Dr. Billy Fields**, associate professor, Political Science
- **Andrea Villalobos**, city planner for San Marcos, Texas State Honors graduate, and bicycle commuter

Audience Q&A will follow an introductory discussion, and a light reception will conclude the evening. The event will be recorded by KTSW, and the panel discussion and Q&A will be moderated by Nicholas Williams, Texas State Honors student and producer for KTSW. Please contact petert@txstate.edu for more information.

Roads to Research Grad Coffee Chat on Friday, October 11 at 10am in LAMP 407B

Outstanding Texas State graduate students share their research paths and graduate school experiences with undergraduate students in a casual conversation. The speakers will represent fields in the College of Applied Arts. Refreshments will be provided. Please contact ugresearch@txstate.edu for more information.

Until next time,

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