Here’s a sampling of what the South Central CSC consortium has been up to this month and a sneak peek of what’s to come in February.

Feature Story: Applications Open for Summer 2018 Undergraduate Internship for Underrepresented Minorities

The South Central CSC summer internship provides STEM students from groups historically underrepresented in the sciences with the opportunity to learn about the impacts of climate change on natural and cultural resources of the south-central U.S. Selected applicants will visit university campuses and field locations across the region to study how researchers and communities are addressing climate-related challenges, building a professional network along the way. Apply by March 16

Research Highlight

Rio Grande/Rio Bravo Pre-Forum Webinars Now Available Online

This webinar series showcases SC CSC-supported research concerning the Rio Grande/Rio Bravo, a binational resource that provides freshwater for millions of people in the U.S. and Mexico. From modeling snowpack to interviewing water managers in the Basin, SC CSC researchers are providing decision-relevant insight
into this crucial and complex water resource.

Special thanks to the World Wildlife Fund for hosting this series and to all of our partners in the Basin who helped make last year’s Rio Grande/Rio Bravo Forum a success.

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**Opportunities and Resources**

**Shifting Landscapes Training on Feb. 22: Connecting with Tribal Leaders**

Registration is now open for the newest installment of our Shifting Landscapes training series, [Connecting with Tribal Leaders](#). As an extension of the introductory sessions, this learning opportunity will provide non-Native scholars and non-Native government employees and researchers at OU with strategies for developing long-term research relationships with tribal leaders.

**International Research Experience in Paleoclimatology for Undergraduates**

The School of Geology and Geophysics at OU is hosting a [National Science Foundation-funded International Research Experience for Students](#) that will give accepted students the opportunity to conduct summer field work in France, specifically in sedimentary geology and deep-time paleoclimate. Current undergraduates in geoscience (or allied) disciplines, particularly those students of Native American heritage and first-generation college students, are encouraged to apply by March 1, 2018.

**LSU Seeking Assistant Professor in Oceanography and Coastal Sciences**

LSU is seeking an [Assistant Professor of Oceanography and Coastal Sciences](#). The selected applicant will sustain a research program, collaborate with departmental colleagues, and teach/mentor undergraduate and graduate students. Review of applications will begin on March 1, 2018.
Request for Proposals: USGS and National Institute for Water Resources

The USGS and National Institute for Water Resources are accepting proposals on the topic of improving and enhancing the Nation’s water supply and availability, and promoting the exploration of new ideas that address or expand our understanding of water problems. Proposals for 2018 funding through the 104g National Competitive Grants Program are due to water@okstate.edu by 4:00 p.m. February 15, 2018.

From Our Partners

Register Now for the Great Plains Grassland Summit

The 2018 Great Plains Grassland Summit will take place from April 10-11 in Denver, CO. The Summit will serve as a forum for convening science needs, ideas, and plans for managing, conserving and restoring grasslands in the Great Plains. Managers, researchers, and practitioners from all regions of the Great Plains and beyond are encouraged to attend. Poster session abstracts are being accepted until March 1st, 2018.

Featured Video: Atmospheric & Oceanic Circulations

Have you ever wondered why rain forests and deserts occur where they do? This short video explores how the air and the oceans move on a global scale, contributing to the amazing diversity of ecosystems we enjoy on planet Earth.

From our popular online course "Managing for a Changing Climate," this video features Dr. Deanna Hence, Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois (and some really fun animations).

Staff and Student Highlights

SC CSC Hires Graphic Design Intern

This month we're welcoming our new graphic design intern, Taylor Lawrence. Lawrence will be working with our team in Norman, OK on visual communication
strategies using graphic design, with a focus on outreach to our tribal partners. She is currently a senior at the University of Oklahoma pursuing a bachelor's degree in art and technology with a minor in environmental sustainability. Welcome, Taylor!