

SPRING 2026 SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Seminars are at 3:30pm in Kollros Auditorium (Room 101, Biology Building East) unless otherwise noted.

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Date	Day	Speaker	Host	Title/Notes
January 23	Fri	Dakota McCoy, Ph.D. The University of Chicago Biological Sciences Division	GSSC and Maurine Neiman	Raymond Fong Memorial Lecture "The body politic: coral reefs and human pregnancy"
January 30	Fri	Erin Davies, Ph.D. Cancer and Developmental Biology Laboratory National Cancer Institute National Institutes of Health (NIH)	Tina Tootle	"Acquisition of whole-body regenerative abilities during development"
February 6	Fri	Atulya Iyengar, Ph.D. The University of Alabama Department of Biological Sciences <i>UI Alumnus (Wu Lab)</i>	Chun-Fang Wu	Barbara Stay Biology Alumnus Seminar "Seizures in <i>Drosophila</i> : Insights on Epilepsy across Evolutionary Time"
February 13	Fri	John Manak, Ph.D. The University of Iowa Department of Biology	Steven Green	"Oxidative stress, lipid damage, and mitochondrial dysfunction may potentiate epilepsy and autism"
February 20	Fri	Douglas Houston, Ph.D. The University of Iowa Department of Biology	Bryan Phillips	TBA
February 27	Fri	Mohini Sengupta, Ph.D. Saint Louis University Department of Biology	Anne Martin	"Decoding motor coordination: Insights from spinal networks"
March 6	Fri	Maurine Neiman, Ph.D. The University of Iowa Department of Biology	John Logsdon	TBA
March 13	Fri	No Seminar		No Seminar
March 20	Fri	No Seminar		Spring Break
March 27	Fri	TBD		TBA
April 3	Fri	TBD		TBA
April 10	Fri	Aaron Scherer The University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine Department of Internal Medicine Tara Smith Kent State University College of Public Health Peter Hotez Baylor College of Medicine	Maurine Neiman	Darwin Day First seminar begins at 3:00pm For a list of all Darwin Day speakers and events, visit iowacitydarwinaday.org
April 17	Fri	James Bear, Ph.D. UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine Department of Cell Biology and Physiology	Katheryn Rothenberg	TBA
April 24	Fri	Jinkyung Kim, Ph.D. Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine Dept. of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery	Cathy Yea Won Sung	TBA
May 1	Fri	Heather Hines, Ph.D. The Pennsylvania State University Department of Biology	Andrew Forbes	TBA
May 7	Thu	Department Awards Ceremony		Awards ceremony will begin at 4:00pm
May 8	Fri	Anne Carlson, Ph.D. University of Pittsburgh Department of Biological Sciences	Maurine Neiman and Doug Houston	TBA