Dear colleagues,

I was extremely saddened to learn yesterday about the passing of one of our students, Genevieve Comeau, who has been pursuing a Ph.D. from the Entomology & Insect Science Graduate Interdisciplinary Program. According to a news report released yesterday afternoon (link), she died in an incident at her home in Tucson.

Genevieve worked with her colleagues and Dr. Michael Riehle for many years in his Entomology laboratory. She was also involved in programs across campus, including the Carson Scholars and the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics. Please offer your support during the days and months ahead to those who may be grieving.

I encourage you to take advantage of the counseling and support offered to all students by Campus Health---Counseling & Psych Services (CAPS), 520-621-3334.

If you are experiencing domestic or relationship abuse or violence, help is available. Emerge! Center for Domestic Abuse provides a 24-hour Bilingual Crisis Line and Shelter here in Tucson.

Phone: 888-428-0101 or 520-795-4266
Email: info@emergecenter.org
Web: http://www.emergecenter.org

If you are concerned that someone you care about is experiencing abuse, the National Domestic Violence Hotline offers support for friends and family members.

My sincerest condolences to everyone who’s grieving at this time.

Shane Burgess