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GLOBAL & IR PROGRAM EVENTS

***POSTPONED*: Kazakh Ambassador to the UN**

Byrganym Aitimova, the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the United Nations, has had to postpone her visit to CMU—we hope to host her early in the spring semester, and will provide updates once her schedule is set.

OTHER EVENTS

Film: Japanese Film Festival: “Honey and Clover (Hachimitsu to Kuroba)”

Friday, October 3, 2008

7:00pm - 9:30pm

McConomy Hall

Honey and Clover (Hachimitsu to kuroba, 2006), in Japanese with English subtitles. Directed by Masahiro Takeda. Pittsburgh premiere. -- Based on the hit manga of the same title by Chika Umino, this adolescent drama unfolds five college art students' lives as they face their growing pains - and joys as well.

Cultural Event: “The AMERICAS---in Concert”

Saturday, October 4, 2008

7:30pm

Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, 650 Schenley Drive, University of Pittsburgh

Featuring: Lilly Abreu (soprano) with special guests: Tangueros de Ley. For more information, contact CLAS - 412 648 7392 clas@pitt.edu

Student Activity: IR Organization/Model UN General Body Meeting and Global Discussion

Sunday, October 5, 2008

4:30pm

DH 1112

The International Relations Organization/Model UN will be having our next General Body Meeting this Sunday, with information on upcoming events, and the first discussion session for the semester!

Information on the discussion session: We will discuss the 2008 Russia/Georgia Conflict and its implications on the worldwide landscape. No preparation will be needed but it will help.

Historic Background: The conflict for South Ossetia began as partly an ethnic divide with nationalist undertones at the end of the Cold War, the new State of Georgia looked to solidify its new democratic identity and claimed South Ossetia as its own. South Ossetians felt as though they never meshed with the Georgians, and identified with Russia. Amidst rising ethnic tensions,

war broke out when Georgian forces entered the capital of South Ossetia, Tskhinvali. The city was shelled almost nightly from the Georgian-held highlands, and more than 2,000 people are believed to have been killed. The war resulted in South Ossetia, which has a Georgian ethnic minority of around one fifth of the total population (70,000), breaking away from Georgia and gaining de facto independence. After a cease-fire in 1992, Tskhinvali was isolated from the Georgian territory around it. Russian, Georgian and South Ossetian peacekeepers were stationed in South Ossetia under JCC mandate and monitoring. The 1992 ceasefire also defined both a zone of conflict around the South Ossetian capital of Tskhinvali and a security corridor along the border of South Ossetian territories.

Current Situation: In August of 2008, Russia entered South Ossetia in response to Georgian military operations in the region announced as counter-separatist actions. After a cease-fire had been agreed, Russia still remained and there were several purported issues of human rights violations in the region including use of cluster bombs by Russian Air Force planes. By September 13, 2008 all Russian troops had left Georgia, but the recovery for Georgia will be arduous.

International Reaction: In response to the war, Russia faced strong criticism from the US, the United Kingdom, Poland, Sweden and the Baltic states with Carl Bildt, foreign minister of Sweden and Chairman of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, being quoted, Russia's claims it was defending Russian citizens in South Ossetia "recalled Hitler's justifications of Nazi invasions" and President George W. Bush warning Russia: "Bullying and intimidation are not acceptable ways to conduct foreign policy in the 21st century." In contrast, Italy was more supportive of Russia, Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs Franco Frattini stating "We cannot create an anti-Russia coalition in Europe, and on this point we are close to Putin's position". France and Germany took an intermediate position, refraining from naming a culprit while calling for an end of hostilities.

Lecture: “Let’s Play It Polish: Two Performances from Contemporary Polish Theatre”

Tuesday, October 7, 2008

12:00pm - 1:30pm

4217 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Lecture by Grzegorz Stepniak from the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland. For more information, contact Anna Talone: 412-648-7407, crees@pitt.edu.

Lecture: “Destination China: China’s Economic Growth and U.S. Outcomes”

Tuesday, October 7, 2008

7:00pm

Sewickley Public Library

Join Thomas G. Rawski for a stimulating talk about China’s growing economy and its effects on the United States and the world at large. Dr. Rawski is a Professor of Economics and History and UCIS Research Professor at the University of Pittsburgh, and is the co-editor and author of two recent books: China’s Great Economic Transformation, 2008, Cambridge University Press; and

China's Rise and the Balance of Influence in Asia, 2007, University of Pittsburgh Press. Please register by calling the Sewickley Public Library at 412-741-6920.

Lecture: "Iran in the New Middle East"

Tuesday, October 7, 2008

7:30pm - 8:30pm

Room 1500, Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

The Ridgway Speaker Series presents Dr. Ray Takeyh, Council on Foreign Relations.

Ray Takeyh is a senior fellow for Middle Eastern studies at the Council on Foreign Relations. His areas of specialization are Iran, the Persian Gulf, and U.S. foreign policy. He is also a contributing editor of the *National Interest*.

Dr. Takeyh was previously professor of national security studies at the National War College; professor and director of studies at the Near East and South Asia Center, National Defense University; fellow in international security studies at Yale University; fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy; and fellow at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley.

Dr. Takeyh is currently working on a book entitled *The Guardians of the Revolution: Iran's Approach to the World* (under contract by Oxford University Press). He is the author of a number of previous books including *Hidden Iran: Paradox and Power in the Islamic Republic* (Times Books, 2006) and *The Origins of the Eisenhower Doctrine: The U.S., Britain and Nasser's Egypt, 1953-1957* (MacMillan Press, 2000). Dr. Takeyh has published widely, including articles in *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, the *National Interest*, *Survival*, *World Policy Journal*, *Washington Quarterly*, *Orbis*, *Middle East Journal*, *Political Science Quarterly*, and *Middle East Policy*. His commentary has also been featured in many newspapers, including the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Financial Times*, and *International Herald Tribune*.

Dr. Takeyh has testified frequently at various congressional committees and has appeared on *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*, *The Charlie Rose Show*, NBC, CBS, CNN, BBC, FOX, and C-SPAN. Dr. Takeyh earned a doctorate in modern history from Oxford University.

This event is co-sponsored by the National Security Network and the Pittsburgh Middle East Institute.

Lecture: "Comparative Education in Taiwan"

Wednesday, October 8, 2008

12:00pm

4130 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

A brief introduction to the history, curricula and academic agreements of Department of Comparative Education, National Chi Nan University, Taiwan. A quick glance at the Chinese Comparative Education Society-Taipei (CCES-T) and Journal of Comparative Education. Chen-

Jui Su is a PhD student in the Social and Comparative Analysis in Educations Program in the Department of Administrative and Policy Studies at the University of Pittsburgh. For more information, contact Veronica Dristas: 412-624-2918, dristas@pitt.edu.

Student Activity: Development Solutions Organization Mixer

Wednesday, October 8, 2008

5:00pm – 6:30pm

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DSO(Development Solutions Organization) will hosting its first mixer NEXT WEDNESDAY. The theme of the event will be Information and Communication Technologies and Development (ICTD). There will be speakers, Q&A, and a reception with food provided.

Please join DSO for their first mixer to learn more about ICTD and how you can get involved.

Robotics Institute scientist and director of TechBridgeWorld, Bernadine Dias, will be speaking about what ICTD is and current problems in the ICTD realm. Other representatives from TechBridgeWorld will also be attending and talking about their mission and how to get involved. Additionally, there will be demonstrations at the event of current projects in the ICTD realm. Everyone is welcome whether you are already involved with ICTD or have no idea what it is. Come and learn about a great initiative. We hope to see you there!

Lecture: “Which Candidate is Better for National Security?”

Thursday, October 9, 2008

7:30pm - 8:30pm

Teplitz Moot Courtroom, Ground Floor, Law Building, University of Pittsburgh

Matthew B. Ridgway Speakers Series presents Richard A. Clarke.

Richard A. Clarke is an internationally-recognized expert on security, including homeland security, national security, cyber security, and counterterrorism. He is currently an on-air consultant for *ABC News* and teaches at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. Clarke is also the author of the number one best selling book "Against All Enemies" (Free Press, 2004) and its 2008 sequel "Your Government Failed You" (Ecco).

Clarke served the last three Presidents as a senior White House Advisor. Over the course of an unprecedented 11 consecutive years of White House service, he held the titles of:

- Special Assistant to the President for Global Affairs
- National Coordinator for Security and Counterterrorism
- Special Advisor to the President for Cyber Security

Prior to his White House years, Clarke served for 19 years in the Pentagon, the Intelligence Community, and State Department. During the Reagan Administration, he was Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence. During the Bush (41) Administration, he was Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs and coordinated diplomatic efforts to support the 1990–1991 Gulf War and the subsequent security arrangements.

As a Partner in Good Harbor Consulting, LLC, Clarke advises clients on a range of issues including:

- Corporate security risk management
- Information security technology
- Dealing with the Federal Government on security and IT issues
- Counterterrorism

Luncheon/Discussion: “Your Navy and the Maritime Strategy”

Friday, October 10, 2008

12:00pm - 1:45pm

The Duquesne Club, Main Dining Room, 325 Sixth Ave., Downtown Pittsburgh

Discussion with Admiral Jonathan W. Greenert, Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command.

The U.S. Navy plays a key strategic role in executing our country’s maritime strategy. How has that strategy evolved since 9/11? What is its current role in the promoting our nation’s security? How will the Navy influence our overall security in an ever changing global stage?

A native of Butler, PA, ADM Greenert graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1975. His career as a submariner includes assignments aboard USS Flying Fish (SSN 673), USS Tautog (SSN 639), Submarine NR-1 and USS Michigan (SSBN 727 - Gold Crew), culminating in command of USS Honolulu (SSN 718). Subsequent fleet command assignments include Commander, Submarine Squadron 11, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Marianas and Commander, U.S. 7th Fleet.

Adm. Greenert has served as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Integration of Capabilities and Resources (N8); Deputy Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet; Chief of Staff, U.S. Seventh Fleet; Head, Navy Programming Branch and Director, Operations Division Navy Comptroller. He has earned numerous personal and campaign awards, including the Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, and the Legion of Merit. In 1992 he also received the Vice Admiral Stockdale Award for inspirational leadership.

For more information or to register, visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org/programs.jsp>.

Film: Japanese Film Festival: “Nana”

Friday, October 10, 2008

7:30 pm

Cathedral of Learning G24, University of Pittsburgh

Nana (2005), based on the bestselling comic by top-ranked author Ai Yazawa. Two girls, sharing the same name and age but different as can be, meet on a train to Tokyo. The cheerful and naive Nana Komatsu plans to live with her boyfriend, while tough and cool Nana Osaki dreams of making it big with her punk band. When things don’t quite go the way either imagined, they find themselves facing the world together as an unlikely friendship blooms. For more information, contact Jennifer Murawski, jennm@pitt.edu.

Conference: “Islam and Popular Culture in Indonesia and Malaysia”

Friday, October 10, 2008

Martin Colloquium Conference Room, 4127 Sennott Square, 210 S. Bouquet St.

Home to approximately one-fifth of the world’s Muslim population, Indonesia and Malaysia are often overlooked or misrepresented in media discourses about Islam. Ideas, sounds, images, gestures, and meanings about Islam abound in contemporary popular cultural forms including film, music, television, radio, comics, fashion, magazines, and cyberculture. By focusing on popular culture, we will emphasize the dynamic, contested, and performative nature of Islam in contemporary Indonesia and Malaysia. If you wish to register to attend the lectures and panel discussions, please contact Dianne Dakis at dakis@pitt.edu. For more information, visit <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/asc/conference/index.html> or contact Andrew Weintraub, anwein@pitt.edu.

CMU’s International Festival: “Education Without Borders: Global Learning in the 21st Century”

Friday, October 10 – Saturday, October 11, 2008

Throughout its 18 years, CMU’s International Festival has provided the community with a unique opportunity – a chance to engage and explore world cultures, pressing issues, and fascinating traditions through a wide range of mediums. This year will be no different. It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the 2008 International Festival: "Education Without Borders: Global Learning in the 21st Century."

With a full schedule from Friday, October 10 through Saturday, October 11, 2008 Carnegie Mellon’s University Center will be transformed into a world of exploration with workshops, lectures, performances, food, and films. The International Festival planning committee, comprised of students, faculty, and staff has put together a festival of captivating programs and events intended to bring to light issues involving education around the world.

Do not miss the keynote lecture- *"Muppet Diplomacy: How Sesame Street is Changing Our World"* by Gary Knell, President & CEO of the Sesame Workshop on Friday, October 10th at 12:30pm in Rangos Ballroom. A movement called Sesame Street that started in the 1960’s has grown to reach children in over 140 countries– using the magnetic appeal of television to improve their lives. As the single largest informal educator of young children, local Sesame Street programs are created to focus on the unique educational needs within each country, such as the stigma around HIV/AIDS in South Africa, girls’ education in Egypt, and respect and understanding in Northern Ireland. Gary Knell, President and CEO, will share insight into how Sesame Workshop develops these programs, how they address local educational needs, and the impact they are making around the world. The lecture will take place over lunch and will be followed by time for Q&A. Tickets for the lecture are free and include lunch for all attendees. Tickets will be available at the UC Information Desk beginning October 2nd.

For a truly entertaining and cultural closing to the festival, be sure to attend *the musical performance by Etran Finatawa- a nomadic blues group from Niger- on Saturday, October 11th*

in Rangos Ballroom. Etran Finatawa's musicians come from Niger, one of the three poorest countries in the world. Niger has a very rich cultural heritage and sits at a desert crossroads between the Berber and Arab cultures of the North and the many sub-Saharan cultures of the South. In Niger there are eleven different ethnic groups most of whom are farmers or pastoralists, both sedentary and nomadic. Amongst them are the Tuareg and Wodaabe, many of whom are still nomadic. They move with their camels, long-horned cattle, sheep, goats and donkeys seeking pastures along the Sahelian savannah at the fringes of the South Sahara. Etran Finatawa was formed as a band at the time of the 2004 Festival in the Desert near Timbuctou. The literal meaning of their name is 'the stars of tradition'. They are the first group to use the songs and music of the Wodaabe in a modern context. In Niger their music has a cult following and their songs are sung by the young and school children all over the country. Etran Finatawa will present two 45-minute concerts to the Carnegie Mellon community. Free tickets for the 7:30pm and 9pm shows will be available at the UC Information Desk beginning October 2nd and at the International Festival/Family Weekend Welcome Table throughout the International Festival.

There will be something for everyone at this year's International Festival – from an art gallery depicting global illiteracy, a book drive, lectures and presentations raising issues of global education, a global marketplace with food and crafts for sale, and a study abroad fair highlighting education abroad opportunities for our students. Take a look at the schedule at <http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/oie/internationalfestival/> and see what sparks your interest.

Conference: 2008 Conference on Refugee Warehousing

Friday, October 10 – Sunday, October 12, 2008

Presented by FORGE (Facilitating Opportunities for Refugee Growth and Empowerment) and the Global Studies Program at the University of Pittsburgh.

Keynote Speakers: Dr. Barbara Harrell-Bond OBE (The American University in Cairo) and Merrill Smith (U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants).

The situation of refugees stuck in 'temporary' shelters with the denial of basic human rights is unacceptable. However, finding alternatives to the situation requires consideration of complex issues. The 2008 Conference on Refugee Warehousing will offer a forum to consider the issues and strengthen the movement against refugee warehousing.

Participants and speakers include: Khadra Mohammed (Executive Director of the Pittsburgh Refugee Center), Judy Wakahiu (Executive Director of the Refugee Consortium in Kenya), and Abraham A. Awolich (Co-Director and Co-Founder of New Sudan Education Initiative).

For more information, visit www.refugeeconference.org or contact Ellie Ott: warehousing08@refugeeconference.org.

Lecture: “Climate Change and Energy Polics: Advice to Our Next President”

Monday, October 20, 2008

5:00pm

Mellon Institute Auditorium, 4400 Fifth Avenue (please use the S. Bellefield Ave. entrance)

Teresa Heinz, the Heinz Awards and the H. John Heinz III School of Public Policy and Management, Carnegie Mellon University invite you to Heinz Talks: Climate Change and Energy Policy - Advice to our Next President. Reception to follow.

What direction will our energy policy take in the next four years? Four leaders will give their perspectives on climate change and energy policy and the resulting impact on economic growth and technological innovation. The discussion will focus on bold and critical recommendations for our next president.

Welcome and introduction by Teresa Heinz. Chairman of The Heinz Endowments and the Heinz Family Philanthropies, Mrs. Heinz is recognized as a premier environmental leader and advocate on behalf of women's health and economic security. With her husband, Senator John Kerry of Massachusetts, she is co-author of *This Moment on Earth: Today's New Environmentalists and Their Vision for the Future*. Mrs. Heinz established the Heinz Awards in 1993 to honor and sustain the legacy of her late husband, U.S. Senator John Heinz.

Moderated by Moira Gunn, host, NPR's Tech Nation. Host of Tech Nation and BioTech Nation, which air on National Public Radio and internationally to 133 countries and is produced at the studios of KQED in San Francisco. Dr. Gunn is also Program Director of Information Systems at the College of Professional Studies, University of San Francisco.

Speakers:

John Holdren, Teresa and John Heinz Professor of Environmental Policy and Director of the Program on Science, Technology, and Public Policy at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, as well as President and Director of the independent, non-profit Woods Hole Research Center. He is also the recipient of the 7th annual Heinz Award for Public Policy.

Lee Branstetter, Associate Professor of Economics and Public Policy, Heinz School and Department of Social and Decision Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University.

Granger Morgan, Lord Chair Professor in Engineering; Professor and Department Head, Engineering and Public Policy; Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering and the Heinz School, Carnegie Mellon University.

Melissa Young, second year student in the Heinz School's Master of Science in Public Policy and Management program and recipient of the Otto Davis Scholarship.

To RSVP please contact Kristin Niceswanger at (412) 268-6066 or kristinn@andrew.cmu.edu no later than Tuesday, October 14.

Lecture: "Transnational Challenges to Security"

Thursday, October 23, 2008

7:30pm

Room 1500, Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Brian Katulis is a Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress, where his work focuses on U.S. national security policy with an emphasis on the Middle East, Iraq, the Arab-Israeli conflict, and Pakistan. He is co-author (with Ambassador Nancy Soderberg) of *The Prosperity Agenda*, a book on U.S. national security published by John Wiley & Sons in the summer of 2008. At the Center, he also serves as an advisor to the Middle East Progress project. Katulis has served as a consultant to numerous U.S. government agencies, private corporations, and non-governmental organizations on projects in two dozen countries, including Iraq, Pakistan, Yemen, Egypt, Colombia, Morocco, and Bangladesh.

His previous experience includes work on the Policy Planning Staff at the State Department from 1999 to 2000, a graduate fellowship at the National Security Council's Near East and South Asian Affairs Directorate in 1998, and work in the Department of Defense during his undergraduate studies. From 1995 to 1998, he lived and worked in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and Egypt for the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs.

This event is co-sponsored by the National Security Network, the Global Studies Program at the University Center for International Studies, CERIS, and the Pittsburgh Middle East Institute.

Luncheon/Discussion: “Brazil – U.S. Relations, Bilateral, Regional & Global Agendas”

Thursday, October 30, 2008

12:00pm - 1:45pm

The Rivers Club, One Oxford Center, 301 Grant St., Downtown Pittsburgh

Discussion with His Excellency, Antonio Patriota, Ambassador of Brazil to the United States

Brazil is among the world’s fastest growing economies, and its global role is changing as well. Central to its foreign policy is its leadership within South America as well as its relationship with the U.S. Regional stability, economics and trade, and environmental and energy issues are all at the forefront of the country’s increasingly important international agenda.

Prior to assuming his current role, Ambassador Patriota served as Under Secretary General for Political Affairs in Brazil’s Ministry of Foreign Relations. He was promoted to Ambassador in December 2003 and served as Chief of Staff to the Minister of Foreign Relations. His prior service including assignments as Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to the World Trade Organization in Geneva, as Political Counselor at Brazil’s Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, Head of the Economic Section of the Brazilian Embassy in Caracas and as Political Counselor at the Brazilian Embassy in Beijing.

For more information or to register, visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org/programs.jsp>.

Short Course: “India Today”

Friday, October 31 – Sunday, November 2, 2008

As global citizens, students need to have a working knowledge of other countries which are important in shaping the corporate, social and political world. As a rising state in the world economy, India's status in the business and in world affairs is shifting.

This short course will explore how these three factors interact in India and in the perceived position of India as a world economy. It will explore questions such as:

- To what extent has India's capacity to innovate and education been able to keep up with the industrial growth in recent years?
- Are the industrialized countries losing their monopoly on innovation? To what extent are the fears that they are, well-founded? Is this a zero-sum game?
- What are the major impediments to India's economic and business growth?
- (Compare and contrast policy debates, environmental impacts etc of economic growth between those of the U.S. and India)
- (What does the economic growth mean for:
 - An economically well-off American citizen? An American of lower economic status?
 - An affluent Indian citizen? A poor Indian citizen?)
- What are the current and future challenges of multinational firms in developing countries and what needs to happen to move towards the path of overcoming these?

The course will open with two keynote lectures on Friday evening on an overview of the issues. This will be followed by 3 or 4 two-hour instructional lectures on Saturday on the various themes by experts in the fields. Sunday morning will be a discussion of two case studies and a panel discussion by the speakers on future challenges, and some possible projections/recommendations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: STUDY ABROAD

Study Abroad Program Representatives on Campus

The study abroad programs listed below will have representatives visiting Carnegie Mellon. Feel free to visit their tables in the University Center, or contact the Office of International Education at goAbroad@andrew.cmu.edu, to set up a time to meet.

- **IES Auckland**, New Zealand – Oct. 15th, Gael Howard hosting a table in Wean Commons 11-2pm
- **University of Manchester** – Oct. 15th, Stephanie Nixon hosting a table in Wean Commons 11-2pm
- **IES Barcelona** – Oct. 29th, Cesar Alsina hosting a table in Wean Commons 11-2pm

Study Abroad Information Session

The Office of International Education is offering one final study abroad information session for the fall semester:

Wednesday, October 29 - Connan Room, UC, 5-6pm

If you have not already attended an info session, please plan to attend this session to receive general information regarding study abroad opportunities and process. Returnees will be present to talk about their experiences.

For more information about study abroad visit www.cmu.edu/studyabroad

Study Abroad Fair

Friday, October 10, 2008
4:00pm – 7:00pm
Rangos 2 & 3, UC

Students will be able to meet with representatives from a wide variety of work, volunteer and study abroad programs and opportunities. Over 30 organizations will be in attendance.

Seeking Employment Opportunities Abroad Workshop

Tuesday, October 21, 2008
Rangos 3, UC
4:30pm - 5:30pm

OIE and the Career Center will present information on working, volunteering and interning abroad.

Study Abroad Information Session for Science, Engineering and Computer Science

Wednesday, October 22, 2008
Connan Room, UC
5:00pm – 6:00pm

Information session focusing on students in MCS, SCS and CIT needs and issues in studying abroad.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS

Information Session: Friedman Internship Program

Tuesday, October 28, 2008
5:00pm - 7:00pm
Carnegie West Conference Room, Warner Hall, First Floor

We have scheduled our Friedman Information Session for students interested in the 2009 Summer Washington, D.C. Intern program.

We'll be there to share information about the Friedman Program, the application process, and placement assistance. Some of our previous interns will be there to share their DC Summer Internship experiences and to help answer any questions the students might have. Pizza, cookies, and soft drinks will be provided!

Small Undergraduate Research Grants (SURG)

Ideas bubbling? Research support is available! SURG Proposal Deadline: October 15, 2008.

Small Undergraduate Research Grants (SURG) are open to ALL undergraduates in any discipline, freshman-seniors. Grants are available of up to \$500 for single entries and up to \$1,000 for group entries to cover such things as the costs of supplies and materials, time on laboratory equipment, or travel to another city for archives.

The deadline for Spring 2009 SURG proposals is Wednesday, October 15th at 5:00 PM. Apply online at www.cmu.edu/uro/. We strongly recommend that you review a draft of your proposal with the URO Director, Stephanie Wallach, well prior to the deadline. To make an appointment, e-mail Stephanie Wallach (sw4s@andrew.cmu.edu) or Jen Weidenhof (jweidenh@andrew.cmu.edu).

ANNOUNCEMENTS: CAREERS/INTERNSHIPS

Peace Corps Information Session (10/22)

Interested in Peace Corps service? Join us October 22 at 12:00pm to find out about life in the Peace Corps. This informative session will open with a presentation by Pittsburgh's Peace Corps Recruiter, who can answer your questions about different program sectors, volunteer positions, the application process, and the benefits of service. The session will conclude with country-specific tables hosted by Heinz School students that have served as Peace Corps Volunteers in various program sectors around the world.

When: Wednesday, October 22, 12:00-1:20 pm

Where: Hamburg Hall, Room 1001

Why: So you'll never start a sentence with "I should've"

Information Session: Friedman Internship Program (10/28)

Please see "Announcements: Scholarships/Fellowships" for details.

Pittsburgh Federal Career Day (10/29)

Interested in finding out about government jobs? Then come learn about opportunities with federal, state and local agencies.

Date: Wednesday, October 29, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: University of Pittsburgh – William Pitt Union

Representatives from over 70 departments and agencies will be attending.

To register, log into TartanTRAK and select "Events" from the top menu bar. Use the "Workshop" tab and select **gov/next generation government careers: Pittsburgh Federal Career Day**. RSVP at the bottom of this page to complete the registration process.

For additional information visit www.gspia.pitt.edu and go to Upcoming Events.

New Israel Fund/Social Justice Fellowships

NIF/SHATIL Social Justice Fellows spend 32 hours per week interning in an approved, individually-selected Israeli non-governmental organization (NGO), active in one of the following areas:

- Safeguarding civil and human rights
- Pursuing environmental justice
- Promoting Jewish-Arab equality
- Advancing the status of women
- Fostering tolerance and religious pluralism
- Bridging social and economic gaps

Additionally, Fellows engage in monthly enrichment programs and periodic site visits to further develop their understanding of Israel, Israeli activism, and their role as activists both in Israel and at home. Fellows also receive training in leadership and community development. Because Fellows intern full time in an Israeli NGO, successful applicants must have either excellent Hebrew language skills, or good Hebrew with strong Arabic skills. Living expenses are covered by a modest stipend. The Fellowship year runs from September 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010 and completed applications, including two letters of reference, are due on January 20th, 2009. Applicants should be college graduates by the start of the Fellowship year, and Israeli permanent residents are not eligible to receive an NIF/SHATIL Social Justice Fellowship. COMPLETED applications must be received by January 20, 2009. Applications and letters of recommendation will be accepted by email only.

For more information, visit <http://www.nif.org/programs-and-partners/fellowships/social-justice-fellowships/>.

Aspen Institute Internships

The Aspen Institute's Nonprofit Sector and Philanthropy Program (NSPP) seeks to improve the effectiveness of nonprofit organizations and philanthropy through research, leadership, and communication initiatives. The NSPP of the Aspen Institute in Washington, DC, offers the William Randolph Hearst Endowed Fellowship three times annually. The Hearst Fellow serves as an intern with NSPP. Through this fellowship, NSPP seeks to introduce a diverse group of students to issues relating to philanthropy, volunteerism, and nonprofit organizations. Recipients may arrange with their colleges or universities to receive academic credit for this experience. In his or her internship, the Hearst Fellow undertakes general research and program support for the Fund's grantmaking and outreach efforts.

The student must be able to intern for 10-15 weeks full-time during the summer at the Washington, DC office of the Aspen Institute. NSPP generally expect that fall and spring internships will be part-time (10-20 hours per week) and summer internships will be full-time. A fellowship grant of between \$2,500 and \$5,000 will be awarded, depending on the recipient's educational level, financial need, and time commitment. All travel and housing costs must be covered by the student.

The fellowship, which is based on academic excellence and need, is open to both undergraduate and graduate students of color.

There is no application form for this fellowship. A letter of interest (include information about dates of availability for the fellowship); resume; transcript; a letter from the appropriate college or university financial aid officer certifying demonstrated financial need; documentation from university financial aid office demonstrating financial need; and two letters of reference should be sent to Lauren Stebbins at the above address. Additional information is available on the Institute's web site. For Spring 2009, the deadline is December 15, 2008; for Summer 2009, March 15, 2009; and for Fall 2009, July 15, 2009.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Information Session: Tepper Additional Major (10/20)

There will be an information session on the additional major in business on Monday, October 20 at 4:30pm in Simon Auditorium. Current juniors may apply for the additional major October 20-24. Any students interested in the additional major should attend the information session and review the website: <http://tepper.cmu.edu/undergraduate-business/academics/additional-major-in-business-administration/index.aspx>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: CONFERENCES/PUBLICATIONS

National Geographic Glimpse Correspondents

National Geographic Glimpse is a new multimedia platform devoted to exploring real life abroad. Glimpse features great stories by young Americans living overseas and navigating new cultures. The Correspondents Program is an opportunity for especially talented young storytellers who will be living abroad in Spring 2009.

If you are a talented storyteller with strong skills in writing, photography, or video, the Glimpse Correspondents Program is your opportunity!

The application deadline is November 2, 2008. Visit <http://glimpse.org/correspondents> for more information.

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