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## GLOBAL & IR PROGRAM NEWS

### Special Interim Edition of the Newsletter

Although we normally send the newsletter on Fridays, we're sending a special Monday edition for this week only; there are enough events on and around campus that we couldn't wait until Friday!

## GLOBAL & IR PROGRAM EVENTS

### Teleconference: "The Closing of the American Border"

Thursday, December 4, 2008

12:00pm – 1:00pm

H&SS Dean's Conference Room (Baker 154R)

Join the Global & International Relations Program for a teleconference with Edward Alden, Bernard L. Schwartz Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, and author, *The Closing of the American Border: Terrorism, Immigration, and Security Since 9/11*. Pizza and beverages will be provided, courtesy of the Global & International Relations Program and the Department of Social and Decision Sciences.

## OTHER EVENTS

**Lecture: “Health Issues in Tanzania: The Case of Karagwe District”**

Wednesday, December 3, 2008

12:00pm - 2:00pm

4130 WWPB, University of Pittsburgh

Dr. Joseph Kashashari is the resident doctor in charge of Karagwe District Hospital. He will lead a discussion on the health issues facing Africa today, including HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis, diseases caused by the lack of clean water, insect-borne diseases, and viral hemorrhagic fever using the case of Karagwe district located in northwest rural Tanzania home to over half a million people. He will provide an overall overview of the health status and infrastructure in rural Tanzania and the challenges the government, international organizations and community-based organizations (CBOs) are facing towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals for health. The critical question to ask is, “Is Africa on track towards achieving the MDGs for global health?” For more information, contact Macrina Lelei: 412-648-2058, macrina@pitt.edu.

**Lecture: “Bankokushi - World History in Meiji Japan”**

Wednesday, December 3, 2008

4:00pm

3703 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Shino Minamizuka, Hosei University, Visiting Scholar at the World History Center at the University of Pittsburgh will give the opening presentation of the World History Seminar. Professor Minamizuka will trace the evolution of the world history genre, from its inception shortly after the 1868 Meiji restoration up to World War I, and discuss its implications for Japanese study of world history in times since then.

**Lecture: “Georgia's Place in a Changing World”**

Thursday, December 4, 2008

2:30pm - 3:30pm

4130 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Ambassador Sikharulidze was appointed as Ambassador of Georgia to the United States, Canada and Mexico in March 2006. Prior to his assignment in Washington, he served as Georgia’s First Deputy Minister of Defense, responsible for policy and planning, international relations and legal affairs. He also served as Undersecretary of the National Security Council of Georgia and Head of the NATO Division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia. Ambassador Sikharulidze graduated from Tbilisi State Medical University, Faculty of Physicians, and worked as a physician and psychiatrist prior to his career in public service.

**Lecture: “Recovering ‘Jewish Spain’: Sephardic Studies in the Spanish Political and Cultural Landscape, 1848-1940”**

Thursday, December 4, 2008

3:00pm – 5:00pm

3703 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Michal Friedman, PhD Candidate at Columbia University, will present this lecture. For more information, contact Pitt's History Department: 412-648-745.

### **Cultural Event: Holiday Open House**

Sunday, December 7, 2008

12:00pm - 4:00pm

Cathedral of Learning, Commons Room

We invite you to visit the 27 Nationality Rooms adorned in traditional holiday decorations shown by guides in ethnic dress. Enjoy performances from different cultures, taste the foods from different countries, view craft demonstrations, and shop in the ethnic marketplace and the Nationality Rooms gift shop. For more information, contact Nationality Rooms Office: 412-624-6150.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: STUDY ABROAD**

### **Last Chance: Mandatory Pre-Departure Orientation for Spring 2009 Study Abroad**

Thursday, December 4, 2008

5:00pm - 7:00pm

McKenna Room, UC

The study abroad pre-departure orientation is **REQUIRED** for students studying abroad for credit. Students studying abroad for the spring of 2009 should attend a pre-departure orientation this fall. You will **NOT** receive study abroad credit unless you attend **ONE** pre-departure session. Please attend - even if you have not yet been accepted. You must attend the full two hours of the orientation. If you have not yet been accepted but think you may be going abroad, attend to be sure you get the orientation.

This orientation will prepare you for both cultural and practical issues regarding study abroad. You will get all the paperwork you need to register for study abroad.

Pizza and drinks will be served.

Please RSVP to [goabroad@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:goabroad@andrew.cmu.edu) for ONE pre-departure orientation- please put the date of attendance in the subject line and your name in the body of the message.

### **Technology Consulting in the Global Community: Summer Work Opportunities Abroad**

Looking for a great way to spend the summer?

- \* Travel for free to an exciting part of the world?
- \* Add international work experience to your resume?
- \* Expand your cross-cultural skills?
- \* Do something exciting before settling down to a life of cubicles and 9-5?
- \* Broaden your experiences before starting graduate school?
- \* Have a short-term Peace Corps-like experience?

We are currently accepting student applications for Summer 2009. Application deadline is December 8, 2008.

All undergraduates, graduates, and students graduating in May are eligible.

Some likely locations for this summer: Dominica, India, Palau, Philippines.

For more information, including how to apply, go to <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/tcingc>.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS**

*For scholarships/fellowships related to study abroad, please see “Announcements: Study Abroad.”*

### **Morris K. Udall Scholarship Information Session**

Wednesday, December 3, 2008

4:30pm

Carnegie East Conference Room, Warner Hall (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

Interested in the environment? Then you may want to attend this information session about the prestigious Udall Scholarship.

The Morris K. Udall Scholarship provides up to \$5,000 for sophomores and juniors in any discipline who have demonstrated a commitment a career related to the environment. A commitment is demonstrated through participation in and substantial contributions to one or more of the following: campus activities, research, internships, community or public service. This information session will give an overview of the award and the application process.

#### Scholarship Benefits:

- Up to \$5,000 for tuition, room and board, or other educational expenses.
- Four-day Udall Scholars Orientation in Tucson, Arizona with travel, lodging and meals provided. All Scholars are required to attend this event held August 5-9, 2009.
- Access to a network of environmental professionals.

#### Eligibility:

- Sophomore or junior level student (including 4th year students in a 5-year track).
- U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, or U.S. permanent residents.
- A college grade-point average of at least a "B" or the equivalent.
- Committed to a career related to the environment as demonstrated by coursework, research, internships, or campus activities.

#### Application Process:

- Carnegie Mellon students must compete first in a campus competition.
- Campus Deadline: February 6, 2009
- Carnegie Mellon nominates 6 students to participate in the national competition.
- Application available online: <http://www.udall.gov>

If interested, please attend the information session and visit the website: <http://www.udall.gov>. If you cannot attend, but are interested in applying, please contact Julia Spencer ([julias@cmu.edu](mailto:julias@cmu.edu) or 8x9987) or the campus representatives Cliff Davidson ([cliff@cmu.edu](mailto:cliff@cmu.edu)) and Peter Madsen ([pm2n@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:pm2n@andrew.cmu.edu)).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

### **Heinz College Accelerated Masters Program Information Session**

Tuesday, November 2, 2008

12:00pm

Room 1001, Hamburg Hall

An information session for all Carnegie Mellon undergraduate students interested in the Accelerated Masters Programs (AMP) offered by the Heinz College will be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The AMP program is a great way for Carnegie Mellon undergrads to earn a professional masters degree within 12 months of the completion of their bachelor's degree.

We offer accelerated masters degrees in arts management, public policy and management, health care policy and management, biotechnology and management, and information systems management. We also offer "traditional" masters degrees in entertainment industry management and information security policy and management. Carnegie Mellon juniors are eligible to apply this year for the accelerated masters program, but students from all years of undergraduate study are welcome to attend!

Lunch will be provided at the session. Please be sure to RSVP so we have enough food for all who attend. You can RSVP online at <http://register.applyyourself.com/?id=cmu-spp&pid=1943&eID=18512&rid=1>.

If you'd like to learn more about the Heinz College and our programs prior to the information session, please visit our new website: <http://www.heinz.cmu.edu>.

Please contact us if you have any questions about the event ([hnzadmit@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:hnzadmit@andrew.cmu.edu) or 412.268.2164). We look forward to meeting you on December 2<sup>nd</sup>!

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