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Global Health Fellows Program Information Session

Wednesday, March 4, 2009

12:00pm – 1:30pm

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The Global Health Fellows Program (GHFP) is a partner organization of USAID that recruits fellows and interns for the USAID Bureau for Global Health.

Susan Masse, Deputy Director for Recruitment, Outreach, and Special Initiatives at GHFP, will be on campus to discuss the program, share insight into starting a career in global health, and

host a Q&A session. The session will be tailored toward students from the Global and International Relations Program and the Health Professions Program.

For more information about the program, please visit www.ghfp.net.

OTHER EVENTS

Video Conference: “EU-U.S. Relations in a Time of Change: Taking Stock of the Lisbon Treaty and President Obama's Inauguration”

Monday, January 26, 2009

9:30am - 11:30am

211 David Lawrence Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Dr. Eric Remacle and Dr. Marc Vanheukelen are participating in this live video conference to discuss how EU-U.S. Relations will change in view of the new American administration through the lens of the Lisbon Treaty. For more information, contact Karen Lautanen: kal70@pitt.edu.

Roundtable: “Obama Won, Now What? A European Perspective on the U.S. Election”

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

12:00pm – 2:00pm

4217 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Dr. Michael Brenner, Dr. Eric Remacle, Dr. Alberta Sbragia and Angelantonio Rosato lead this brown bag lunch discussion. For more information, contact Karen Lautanen: kal70@pitt.edu.

Lecture: “Health Effects of Air Pollution in Wuhan, China”

Thursday, January 29, 2009

10:00am - 11:00am

109 Parran Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Dr. Zhengmin Min Qian, epidemiologist and Co-Director of the Environmental Health Institute at Geisinger Center for Health Research, will present a talk on “Epidemiological Studies of the Health Effects of air Pollution in Wuhan, China.” This lecture is sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh Center for Global Health and Department of Epidemiology, Academic Partner for Excellence in Environmental Health Tracking. For more information, contact 412-624-8447, CGH@pitt.edu.

Lecture: “Marijuana Policy and Consumption in India: A Historical Perspective”

Thursday, January 29, 2009

12:00pm

4130 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

A lecture by Dr. Siddharth Chandra, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs and Director of the Asian Studies Center at the University of Pittsburgh. For more information, contact Jennifer Murawski: 412-383-3062, jennm@pitt.edu.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: STUDY ABROAD

Summer Study Abroad: International Conflict Resolution in Geneva and London

May 18 - June 27, 2009

In summer 2009 students will have a unique opportunity to study international conflict resolution in two world centers of diplomatic activity: Geneva, Switzerland and London, England. This program introduces students to international conflict resolution in the light of contemporary conflicts and global security concerns.

The first half of the program will take place in Geneva, where students will analyze contemporary conflicts and the roles of human rights, religion, foreign intervention, and intercultural communication in conflict resolution.

For the second half of the program, students will travel to London. In London they will focus on case studies in conflict resolution, including Northern Ireland, Cyprus, and the Cold War.

Upon successful completion of the program, students will earn 8 Boston University credits. The language of instruction is English. The program is open to all qualified students.

Classes will be taught at the Boston University Centers in Geneva and London. Accommodation will be provided for students in BU's fully-furnished apartments in central Geneva and London.

Application Deadline: March 1, 2009. For more information and to apply, visit www.bu.edu/abroad/programs/switzerland/geneva/geneva_london_conflict/admin.html.

Financial aid is available.

Summer Internships and Study at the London School of Economics

If you're interested in doing a unique political internship in the Houses of Parliament, a UK government department, a campaign organisation or the media, as well as studying British politics at the London School of Economics, you will certainly be interested in the Summer 2009 Hansard Scholars Programme. 2009 really will be a fascinating time to be involved in British politics and you can be a part of this – witnessing the changes, conflicts and developments first hand as they emerge.

For full details on this unique programme, visit www.hansardsociety.org.uk/studyandscholars.

H&SS Study Abroad Scholarships

The Dean's Office for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences is pleased to offer the following scholarships to encourage study abroad.

The Abel M. Bomberault Travel Fellowship

In memory of Abel M. Bomberault, class of 1956. Multiple scholarships of up to \$2,000 for H&SS, BHA, or SHS students for semester, full year, or summer study in a French-speaking country, with preference for France. Majors and minors in French will be given preference.

The Brona Stein Buerger Scholarship

These annual scholarships will provide up to \$2,000 to one or two H&SS, BHA or SHS students, from any class or major, to be used toward a semester or full year of study in an accredited program of education abroad. Current sophomores and juniors will receive preference. This award has been given in memory of Brona Stein Buerger, Margaret Morrison class of 1962.

The Hannah Estermann Bergman Travel Fund

This annual scholarship will provide up to \$1,000 to one H&SS student who is currently studying Spanish. Preference will be given to sophomores and juniors who are Modern Languages majors. This award has been given in memory of Hannah Estermann Bergman, Margaret Morrison class of 1946.

Alumni Travel Scholarship

Multiple scholarships of up to \$1000 are awarded each year to H&SS, BHA, and SHS students to be used toward a semester or full year of study in an accredited program of study abroad. Current sophomores and juniors will receive preference. These funds are generously provided by H&SS Alumni.

Funds from each of these scholarships may be applied to tuition, room and board, airfare to the country and/or book expenses for any accredited study abroad program.

Eligibility: To qualify for an H&SS Study Abroad Scholarship, students must be registered as a primary major in one of the H&SS academic departments or be enrolled in the BHA or SHS programs at the time of application.

To apply for one of these scholarships, applicants must provide:

- A copy of the official description of the chosen study abroad program
- One page essay on how the program will benefit the applicant
- Completed cover sheet – available online at www.hss.cmu.edu/studyabroad
- A white print of your CMU transcript.

Applicants will be considered for all scholarships for which they qualify, but are only eligible to receive funding from one source.

Deadline for application: February 18, 2009

Submit applications to the Modern Languages Dept., Baker Hall 160.

Decisions will be announced via email by late March.

University of Pittsburgh Study Abroad Fair

Friday, January 30, 2009

11:00am – 3:00pm

William Pitt Student Union

Students will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from a wide variety of work, volunteer and study abroad programs and opportunities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS

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

H&SS Summer Internship Opportunity Grants

The College of Humanities and Social Sciences wishes to encourage students to find and undertake interesting internship opportunities for their summer employment. We understand that many of these opportunities are unpaid, or, at best, provide minimal pay. Yet it is often these very positions that provide students with first-rate, challenging work experiences that are invaluable in helping them define and move forward to their career goals.

We have instituted the H&SS Summer Internship Opportunity Grants Program to make it more feasible for students to take advantage of less remunerative, worthwhile internship opportunities. Individual grants are generally \$1,000, but can be as high as \$2,000. The grant may be subject to federal, state and local taxes.

Undergraduates with primary majors in H&SS, BHA and SHS and strong academic records are eligible to apply. Current sophomores and juniors will receive preference. Graduating seniors are not eligible to compete.

Students should fill out an application form; submit a one- or two-page explanation of the internship and its importance to them; include a resume; offer a statement of financial considerations, including anticipated expenses and the financial implications of their taking an internship.

Deadline: March 19, 2009
H&SS Dean’s Office, Baker Hall 154

For more information and an application form, please visit www.hss.cmu.edu/internshipgrant.

State Department Fellowships

The State Department underwrites the Rangel and Pickering Fellowship Programs for undergraduate and graduate fellowships. These programs are designed to support interest in, and entry into, the Foreign Service by traditionally under-represented socio-economic and ethnic groups in the Department of State. The summer undergraduate programs are “for credit” courses hosted by Howard and Princeton Universities. For example, the six week Rangel program at Howard offers the “History of US Foreign Relations,” “Political Economy,” and “Writing” classes. Students receive tuition, travel, room and board, as well as a stipend. Program

administrators pay close attention to these students taking them to visit U.S. agencies and Congress to meet foreign policy policymakers and practitioners.

Both the Rangel and Pickering programs also underwrite the full costs for graduate studies for motivated and talented students. Students are also assigned internships at the Department of State and an embassy or consulate overseas. On successful completion of the program, the student is eligible for entry into the Foreign Service, subject to passing the Foreign Service oral examination.

The deadlines for the coming year's Rangel full time graduate and summer undergraduate programs are, respectively, January 23 and February 13, 2009. The Pickering graduate and summer programs deadlines are, respectively, February 3 and February 6, 2009.

Further information for these programs can be found at: www.woodrow.org (click on the foreign affairs drop down tab) and www.howard.edu/rjb/rangelprogram.htm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: CAREERS/INTERNSHIPS

U.S. Department of State 2009 Fall Internship Program

The State Department is currently accepting applications for U.S. Department of State 2009 Fall internship positions.

Visit <http://careers.state.gov/students/programs.html#SIP> for more information, and to start the online application process. Please note that the deadline to submit completed applications is March 4, 2009.

2009 City of Chicago Mayor's Fellowship Program

The Mayor's Fellows Program is taking applications for its 2009 internship season.

The City of Chicago is strongly committed to improving public services for its citizens. Attaining this goal requires the hard work and dedication of qualified public service professionals. Recruiting highly qualified graduate level students, from universities across the country, has proven to be one of the best ways to attain this goal.

The Mayor's Office Fellowship Program attracts bright, highly motivated individuals, gives them a broad overview of municipal government and provides a unique, "hands-on" experience. Fellows participate in budgetary, legislative, and programmatic areas of city government and work directly with Mayor's Office staff. Mayoral Fellows are afforded an unparalleled opportunity to learn about public service and policy-making by directly contributing to the executive office of the City of Chicago.

The Mayor's Office Fellowship Program is currently seeking to find candidates for its 23 internship positions. Diversity candidates are encouraged to apply

For more information, visit <http://egov.cityofchicago.org/city/webportal/home.do>.

Foreign Service Officer Test

The next Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT) will be held during the period February 7 – 14, 2009. The procedure for registration is online and instructions can be found at <http://careers.state.gov>. Registration for the test can still be made in January. Students in their final year of study at CMU should consider registering for this test, the first step in the Foreign Service Officer Selection Process. Registration has been considerably simplified recently.

Employment Opportunities Conference (EOC) Coming in February

Thursday, February 5, 2009

12:00pm – 6:00 pm

University Center Gym and Rangos Ballroom

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Monday, February 2 (Midnight)

The Career Center invites you to attend the Fifth Annual Employment Opportunities Conference (EOC) -- a job and internship fair for all students from all Carnegie Mellon colleges. The EOC is open to all currently enrolled degree seeking students of Carnegie Mellon University and Carnegie Mellon Alumni

Whether you are seeking a summer internship or a full-time employment opportunity, the EOC is an excellent job fair for you to attend. Over 65 “actively recruiting” organizations have already registered -- don't miss your chance to meet them.

For detailed information, log on to: <http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/career/eoc/eocstu.cfm>

PLEASE REGISTER THROUGH YOUR TARTANTRAK ACCOUNT: Login to TartanTRAK, select the “info sessions/events” tab, then select “Employment Opportunities Conference”
<https://cmu-csm.symplicity.com/students/>

To prepare for the EOC, the Career Center is offering the following services:

Internship Workshop

Date: Tuesday, January 27, 2009

Time: 4:30-5:30 pm

Location: Rangos 3

The key to a productive internship search is to begin early. Many internship opportunities exist, but you have to know where to find them. This program will offer a timeline to follow for your internship search, highlight resources available, and give you methods to help land a great summer opportunity.

Working a Job Fair

Date: Thursday, January 29
Time: 4:30-5:30 pm
Location: Rangos 3

Not sure what to expect at a job fair? Searching for ways to stand out from the crowd? Get tips on how to navigate a job fair--learn how to introduce yourself to employers, what to say, how to dress, and much more. Walk away from the next job fair with confidence!

Sponsored by the Career Center 412-268-2064

Career Center Resume Blitz Week January 26-30

Your Career Consultants are providing extra time for you to have your resume reviewed prior to the EOC.

H&SS Consultants will provide Walk-In Advising Monday, January 26 through Friday, January 30 in the Career Center from 2:00 – 4:30 pm. Please sign in at the front desk upon arrival.

Please call the Career Center at 412-268-2064 for any other majors to see when your consultant times are available.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Urban Institute Summer Academy for Public Policy Analysis and Research

The Urban Institute Summer Academy for Public Policy Analysis and Research provides a unique and challenging learning experience for minority college students who are interested in careers in public policy research. Our eight-week summer program will give students between their junior and senior year of college the skills and exposure crucial to obtaining highly competitive entry positions in the field.

While minorities and persons from distressed communities are often the subject of social programs and policies, they are greatly underrepresented in the field of public policy research. Adding the voices and perspectives of researchers from diverse backgrounds will make a valuable contribution to the field.

The unique multi-pronged approach of The Urban Institute Summer Academy will provide our students with policy knowledge, technical skills training, guided research projects, career skills development, and exposure to policy research careers.

Students will build their knowledge of important public policy issues in the following areas:

- Poverty and Income Support
- Employment Policy
- Education Policy
- Health Policy
- Housing and Urban Neighborhoods

- Crime and Justice Policy
- Federal Budget and Tax Policy

The application deadline is March 12th, 2009. All application packages must be postmarked by this date to be considered.

For more details, including how to apply, please visit <http://www.urban.org/uisa/index.cfm>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: CONFERENCES/PUBLICATIONS

Alexander Hamilton Graduate Student Conference Call For Papers

The Alexander Hamilton Center for Political Economy is accepting proposals for panels and papers for its 2nd Annual Graduate Student Conference. We particularly welcome proposals that examine various important, theoretical, and policy problems such as the design of governing institutions, the development and distribution of human capital, and the means by which fundamental policy issues can be resolved or advanced through the promotion of efficient and effective solutions that are sensitive to the political, economic, and social realities. We encourage panel and paper submissions that are grounded in political economy approaches that draw out how individual economic and political incentives interact to create constraints and opportunities for citizens, political leaders, and entrepreneurs in the private or public sector to address policy issues.

Submission of abstracts may be of two types:

1. Individual paper presentations
2. Proposals to organize a panel of up to four individuals on a particular theme or topic.

Some financial assistance may be available to assist participants. The Alexander Hamilton Center will cover their expenses for up to \$400. Financial assistance will generally be only available to individuals presenting at the conference. Any expenditures must be approved by the Committee.

The Committee will select which, in its judgment, is the best paper presented at the conference. The author or authors of the selected paper will receive a prize of \$1500.

Abstract Submission: March 1st, 2009

Notification of Acceptance: March 15th, 2009 Submission of Full Papers: April 15th, 2009

Conference: May 8th 2009

Visit <http://alexanderhamilton.as.nyu.edu/docs/CP/1132/AHCNYUCallForPapers.pdf> to view the flyer.

Please send all submissions and requests for further information to sarah.dickinson@nyu.edu.

Visit <http://alexanderhamilton.as.nyu.edu/page/events#030109> for more information.

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