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## GLOBAL & IR PROGRAM NEWS

### Reminder: Fall 2009 Registration Begins on Monday!

As a reminder, registration for fall 2009 courses begins on Monday, April 20. For details about specific registration days and start times, please visit the HUB’s website.

### New Fall 2009 Course: Diplomacy and Statecraft

The Department of Social and Decision Sciences is pleased to announce a new course being offered in fall 2009: 88-362, *Diplomacy and Statecraft*. This course will be the first taught on the Pittsburgh campus by Dr. Jendayi Frazer, former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs.

This course introduces students to the fundamental principles of the art of statecraft; major concepts and theories of diplomacy; and the main tools of diplomatic practice and key venues in Africa, Asia, the Americas and Europe. Students will examine the relationship between diplomatic and military power; the use of economic measures; the role of public diplomacy; and the challenges of multilateral negotiations. Contemporary global issues such as the responsibility

to protect, conflict resolution and UN peacekeeping will be explored through focused case studies of Liberia, Darfur and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

This course is scheduled for Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00pm - 1:20pm, and qualifies as an International Politics elective for the Global Politics major/minor, as well as a Section B course for the International Relations social science track.

### **Fall 2009 Course Lists Now Available**

The Global and IR Program website has been updated to include the lists of available fall 2009 courses for the following programs:

- the Global Politics major/additional major/minor;
- the Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Economic Development (IEE) minor;
- the International Relations major;
- and the International Relations minor.

Each of these lists can be found at <http://www.cmu.edu/ir/current-course-offerings.html>.

The course list for the Global Studies major is also available by request—please email Traci Sebastian at [traci@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:traci@andrew.cmu.edu) to receive a copy.

Students who wish meet with Traci to discuss course registration, or any other issue, should email [traci@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:traci@andrew.cmu.edu) with a list of what days and times they are available to meet, in order to schedule an appointment. Sign up now—appointments are filling up fast!

## **EVENTS**

### **Festival: Children of the World**

Saturday, April 18, 2009

5:00pm - 9:00pm

Hunt Armory, 324 Emerson Street, Pittsburgh

Come join in the fun as the World Affairs Council and Sacred Heart School present Children of the World, an international festival for families. This fun and exciting event is open to the public and all are welcome.

The evening will feature exhibits, food, music, dance, artistic demonstrations, children's activities and more to celebrate the cultures of more than 30 countries. Booths displaying the crafts, products and culture of these countries will be prepared by area families, many of whom are living in Pittsburgh on short or extended stays because of the city's hospitals, universities and businesses.

Many area restaurants will provide delicious food and professional children's groups will perform traditional music and dancing. Children's games, a raffle of gifts from area stores and an auction of hand-painted furniture created by area artists will round out the evening.

Admission is \$5 for elementary school children (younger are free) and \$8 for adults and high school students. The Hunt Armory is handicapped accessible.

For more information, visit [www.shes-pgh.org/festival](http://www.shes-pgh.org/festival) or call the school at 412-441-1582.

### **Events: Heinz College Unity Week: “A Celebration & Exploration of Our Diversity”**

Tuesday, April 21 – Saturday, April 25

This is the week you want in on! Welcome to Unity Week! For a list of events, please take a look at the website: <http://www.heinz.cmu.edu/unityweek/index.aspx>. Click on the red title of each event to lead you to the RSVP link. Please RSVP to attend.

On Tuesday, April 21, wear your red Heinz shirts and come to the Hamburg auditorium as we kick off Heinz Unity Week with great food and brief talks from Dean Krishnan and Vice-Provost of Education Indira Nair! If you do not have a t-shirt yet and would like to get one, please stop by Jackie Speedy's office (1st floor (not the basement), through the brass doors, 1105).

On Wednesday, April 22, take part in a nation-wide student led action, consisting of a day-long vow of silence to bring attention to the silencing of GLBT students. \*\*Student participation in class and academics will not be affected.\*\*

On Thursday, April 23 (activity) and Friday, April 24th (debrief) - For those of you who have taken Professors Babcock, Borzutsky or Kelly's courses, or if you have any interest in international events, events in Iraq, or the difficult world of diverse opinions, the Kirkuk Conflagration Simulation is for you! RSVP no later than Wednesday, April 22nd by noon. You will receive background info and your role in the event, by e-mail.

On Saturday, April 25th - Enjoy the fantastic culinary talents of your peers in round 2 of the multicultural potluck at Heinz! Bring a dish to share (you don't need to cook for a 100, just enough for a few people to sample) and stick around for the movie that will be shown afterwards.

### **Performance: “Explosive Beats: Taiko Drumming and Traditional Japanese Music”**

Wednesday, April 22, 2009

7:30 p.m.

Swope Recital Hall, Slippery Rock University

Audience: Open to the public

Ryo Shiobara and Takumi Kato will present “Explosive Beats: Taiko Drumming and Traditional Japanese Music,” an evening of Taiko drumming at Slippery Rock University. The free performance will feature several types of traditional Japanese music, including the Taiko drums, shamisen, a three-stringed Japanese musical instrument, and the shinobue, a Japanese transverse flute.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: STUDY ABROAD**

## Mandatory Study Abroad Pre-departure Orientation

The Study Abroad Pre-departure orientation is REQUIRED for students studying abroad for credit. Students studying abroad this summer, fall, or during the 2009-2010 academic year, *must* attend a Pre-departure Orientation this Spring. You will NOT receive study abroad credit unless you attend ONE pre-departure session.

Please attend - even if you have not yet been accepted or have applied and are still deciding to go abroad. You must attend the full two hours of the orientation.

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

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.

Remaining pre-departure dates for the spring 2009 semester:

- Monday, April 20, 5-7pm, McKenna/Peter/Wright Room, UC
- Wednesday, April 29, 5-7pm, McKenna/Peter/Wright Room, UC

## Going Abroad in the Fall? Apply to be a “Glimpse Correspondent”!

The Glimpse Correspondents Program seeks to identify the best and brightest young writers and photographers with an interest in global affairs, and provides them with small grants to share their stories from abroad. More information about the program is available at: <http://glimpse.org/correspondents>. The application deadline is June 15, 2009.

Glimpse is a nonprofit website, supported in part by National Geographic Society, about the experiences of young Americans abroad. We provide professional editorial support to help students learn the craft of storytelling, with the larger goal of using stories to inspire others to care about the world. To read past stories, visit: <http://www.glimpse.org>

The Correspondents Program is for especially talented students specializing in writing or photography. We select 10 Correspondents each semester, who receive a \$600 stipend, a professional editor, career training in writing and photography, and guaranteed publication on Glimpse.org. The demands of the program are not extreme, but we do expect our Correspondents program to commit to a professional editorial process.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS

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

### Grants for Summer Internships in Pittsburgh

Are you staying in Pittsburgh to do an internship for Summer 2009? If so, congratulations! Pittsburgh is a city with rich history, fun things to do and see, great restaurants and sports teams and a reasonable cost of living. Perhaps your internship is unpaid or low paying. Maybe the experience will be great, but the pay is not. Is it a great opportunity that you can't pass up but you need money to make ends meet? The Career Center in collaboration with the generous & philanthropic local Dozzi family may be able to help. Apply for one of ten \$1000.00 summer 2009 internship scholarships today.

Deadline for application is FRIDAY MAY 1, 2009

Visit <http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/career/interngrants/dozzigrant.htm> for details and an on-line application.

### **Fulbright Information Sessions**

The Fellowships and Scholarships Office is pleased to announce several upcoming Fulbright information sessions:

□ **Wednesday, April 22**

Session 1: 12:00 PM - Connan Room, UC

Session 2: 4:30 PM - Peter Room, UC

*Fulbright alum, Amanda Bougades, will talk about her Full Grant experience in Belgium.*

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program--administered by the Institute for International Education--offers grants for U.S. students to study, research, and teaching assistantships abroad.

--Eligibility: seniors, graduate students, and alumni

--U.S. citizenship required

Why should I attend?

--Juniors, Seniors, Graduate Students, and Alumni, now is the best time to begin preparing your application to meet the September 17, 2009, campus deadline.

--Freshmen and Sophomores are encouraged to attend and start investigating this prestigious opportunity.

--Students who will study abroad this summer and next year will benefit from advice regarding networking and finding institutional support which is required for application to the Fulbright Program.

More information: <http://www.cmu.edu/fso/fulbright>

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: CAREERS/INTERNSHIPS**

### **Summer Project Management Internships, MSI, Washington, DC**

Management Systems International (MSI) is now taking applications for its Summer Internship Program. Internships can be Full-time (40 hours/week) or Part-time (20 hours/week) and include a stipend.

MSI's Internship program is for undergraduate and graduate students who have an interest and experience in international development. Interns will work in MSI's Project Management Unit. The goal of the internship program is to allow students to learn and grow professionally during their internships and to provide each student with opportunities to use and refine their own skills. MSI works to ensure that interns are well-engaged in the MSI work community.

Upon arrival at MSI, interns are given a brief orientation introducing them to some of the tools that they will need for their internship. Project Management interns are assigned to work on specific MSI projects as well as support tasks primarily focusing on logistical, contractual and financial management. Typical tasks may include:

- Tracking project financial management information;
- Research budget information;
- Reviewing field expense reports;
- Coordinating international travel arrangements;
- Basic translation of documents;
- Background research to support projects;
- Copy editing for donor reports; and,
- Database manipulation.

Key skills to a successful internship are MSI are:

- Attention to detail;
- Keen interest in international development;
- Ability to prioritize within multi-tasking environment;
- Diplomatic communication skills particularly by email;
- Team focused approach;
- Microsoft Office skills, particularly Microsoft Excel

Additional skills of interest are secondary language skills – French, Spanish, Russian or Arabic; IT/web development, training, etc.

As often as possible, we match interns with projects that best suit both their skills and interests.

Applicants residing or attending school in DC are preferred. This is a paid position. To apply, visit: [www.msiworldwide.com](http://www.msiworldwide.com).

### **White House Internship Program**

The White House Internship Office will post its application for the Fall 2009 Program online May 1, 2009. If students would like to begin preparing information for their application they can visit our website at: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships/> to view the Sample Fall Application. Please note: Candidate materials submitted prior to the official application release date (May 1) will not be considered. Only materials received after May 1 and on or before June 1 will be reviewed.

Important information about the White House Internship Program:

- Fall 2009 Application deadline: June 1
- Program dates: September 8 – December 18
- White House Internships are full-time unpaid positions and participants are responsible for arranging their own transportation and housing for the duration of the program. Applicants are encouraged to contact educational and other non-profit organizations to apply for funding or housing assistance. Applicants can contact local schools for housing opportunities.

If you have any other questions please inquire with: [intern\\_application@whitehouse.gov](mailto:intern_application@whitehouse.gov) and please put “Fall Application: Question” in the subject line.

### **Job Posting: Program Officer, Asia, American Jewish World Service**

The Program Officer (PO) for Asia manages AJWS' (American Jewish World Service) portfolio of grants in Sri Lanka and Afghanistan, coordinates technical assistance opportunities for grantees, collaborates with other Program Officers on setting grant making policy in the region, and on various other initiatives as part of a closely knit Grants Department and in collaboration with other AJWS programs, including advocacy, volunteer service programs, and communications. Responsibilities may also include managing grants in Cambodia.

Responsibilities:

- Develop and periodically update strategic plans for AJWS's grant making in Asia;
- Identify and build relationships with current and potential grantees and collegial organizations in the region;
- Review new and renewal proposals and budgets, communicate with applicants to hone and clarify proposed activities and develop contracts;
- Write and defend grant recommendations to the AJWS Board;
- Monitor grants through reviewing reports, site visits, meetings, correspondence and oversight evaluations;
- Provide and facilitate the provision of technical assistance to grantees;
- Manage consultants based in Asia;
- Organize and conduct three trips to Asia annually for site visits and exploratory research;
- Coordinate grantee meetings and exchanges;
- Collaborate with other members of AJWS's grants department staff on development and articulation of grant making priorities;
- Work with other department staff to manage administrative coordination;
- Participate in dissemination of strategies and documentation of work for other departments at AJWS, collegial organizations, networks of donor agencies and international development and human rights organizations;
- Represent AJWS at conferences and other venues.

Qualifications:

- BA/BS required; Master's degree in a relevant field preferred;
- Minimum three years of program work experience at a foundation, international development or human rights organization;
- Proficiency in reading, writing and speaking English; Ability to speak Tamil, Sinhala, Khmer, Dari or Pashto preferred;
- Proficiency monitoring and evaluating budgets;
- Minimum of 6 months experience living and working in an Asian country, preferably in at least one of the following: Afghanistan or Sri Lanka;
- Working understanding of human rights norms and practices, global development theory and grassroots social movement building;
- Familiarity with current political, social and economic trends in South Asia, preferably in at least one of the

following: Afghanistan or Sri Lanka; • Experience living or traveling in and working on contexts of armed conflict preferred; • Enthusiastic and comfortable spending 6-8 weeks traveling internationally, either with colleagues or alone; • Excellent writing and analytical skills; • Team player and flexible about the challenges of working in a fast-paced environment with shifting priorities; • Experience with personnel management preferred; • Highly organized, with the proven ability to work independently, prioritize and complete multiple projects, meet deadlines, and maintain consistent attention to detail; • Ability to work in and with diverse communities; • Experience with, and commitment to, social justice and human rights movements; • Commitment to and passion for the work of AJWS.

For immediate consideration, please forward your resume and cover letter to [opportunities@ajws.org](mailto:opportunities@ajws.org) and indicate your name and "Program Officer, Asia" in the subject line.

### **Job Posting: Sesame Workshop India**

Sesame Workshop India seeks a Research Manager to oversee the research activities for Galli Galli Sim Sim, a multi-platform early childhood education initiative in India. Galli Galli Sim Sim is modeled after Sesame Street, and is developed by Indian educators, artists, writers and film-makers to provide engaging educational content to young Indian children. The Research Manager would be responsible for carrying out all aspects of research, managing external consultants/vendors, developing research reports, and presenting research findings in public forums. We seek a strong researcher with a post-graduate (graduate) degree in child development, international education, social sciences or other fields, solid experience conducting quantitative social or applied research, knowledge about children's learning and development, skills in statistical analysis, and excellent oral and written communication skills. If interested, please send CV, letter of interest, and names and contact information of three referees to Sashwati Banerjee at [sashwati.banerjee@sesameworkshopindia.org](mailto:sashwati.banerjee@sesameworkshopindia.org).

Interested candidates may contact either [Seeta.Pai@sesameworkshop.org](mailto:Seeta.Pai@sesameworkshop.org) or [Sashwati.Banerjee@sesameworkshopindia.org](mailto:Sashwati.Banerjee@sesameworkshopindia.org) for further information, including a more detailed job description.

## **FOR FACULTY**

### **Foreign Policy Fellowships for Junior Faculty and Doctoral Students**

The International Security and Foreign Policy Program of the Smith Richardson Foundation will award grants through its annual competitions for junior faculty and Ph.D. students at U.S. institutions.

The Junior Faculty Research Grant Program is an annual competition that awards at least three research grants of \$60,000 to support tenure-track junior faculty engaged in the research and writing of a scholarly book on an issue or topic of interest to the policy community. The deadline for submission is June 30, 2009, and the results will be announced by October 31, 2009.

The World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship is an annual competition to support Ph.D. dissertation research on American foreign policy, international relations, international security, strategic studies, area studies, and diplomatic and military history. The Foundation will award at least twenty grants of \$7,500 each. The deadline for submission is October 15, 2009, and the results will be announced by January 31, 2010.

For further information on eligibility and how to apply, please visit the website of the International Security and Foreign Policy Program at the following address:  
<http://www.srf.org/grants/international.php>.

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