

Dear Students,

Here are the announcements for the week of November 9, 2009. Don't forget that registration for spring semester starts Tuesday, November 10. Seniors register first, then juniors, and so on down the line. If you don't know what day and time you may register, check out the registration queue on the web at <http://onestop.umn.edu/registration/index.html>. Do register as soon as you are able to do so. Classes fill up quickly and the sooner you register, the more likely you are to get the schedule you want.

Here are the details about several on-campus events coming up in the next few weeks as well as some new internship postings:

U.S. Central Intelligence Agency Clandestine Service

INFORMATION SESSION

NOVEMBER 9 12:45-2PM

ROOM 205 HUMPHREY CENTER - FREEMAN COMMONS

Make a world of difference.

The CIA's Clandestine Service is the cutting-edge of American Intelligence. It is an elite corps, providing vital information needed by US policymakers, the military and law enforcement services to protect the national security interests of the American people. For the extraordinary person who wants more than just a job, the Clandestine Service offers a unique career --- a way of life that challenges the deepest resources of an individual's intelligence, self reliance and responsibility.

Agency representatives will cover a broad range of topics to include the Agency's mission, potential career opportunities, the online process, and an overview of the security and medical screening process; and there will be a question-and-answer period.

Students are welcome to bring a resume.

To view all occupations in the Clandestine Service field go to:

<https://www.cia.gov/careers/opportunities/clandestine/view-jobs.html>

Misrepresentation of Minorities in the Media Week, 11/16-20

Learn and discuss how the mainstream media uses language, rhetoric and images to portray certain stereotypes and misrepresent various minority groups. The week includes a panel discussion with reporters and professors, a documentary, and media training. There will be FREE FOOD at every event.

- Mon 11/16

Panel discussion on the Misrepresentation of minorities in the media

Speakers: Abdi Aynte (BBC and Voice of America); Catherine Squires

(Professor of People of Color and the Mass Media at the School of

Journalism and Mass communications); Steven Renderos (Media justice

organizer with the Mainstreet Project); and Tamim Saidi (Islamic Resource

Group and writer for EngageMN.com).

The panel will include free food and a Q & A session.

Location/time: Mississippi room (Coffman Union) 7-9:30pm

COSPONSORED BY: Al-Madinah Cultural Center, the Muslim Students

Association, Black Student Union, La Raza Student Cultural Center, the

Somali Student Association, and the Minnesota Daily.

- Wed 11/18

Documentary screening: Peace, propaganda and the promised land: US Media and the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict. There will be a discussion afterward.

FREE SNACKS!

Location/time: Coffman Union, room 217, 4-6pm

- Thurs 11/19: Media training by the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR)

Learn how to be involved with the media, how to communicate with the press, and how to respond when receiving negative press coverage (ex: how to write a letter to the editor? how to write a press release?)

Speaker: Jessica Zikri, CAIR communications director

Location/time: Coffman Union, room 217, 6-8pm

This is ideal for organizations, community leaders, student groups, or for anyone who wants to know about how the media works from an insider.

FREE SNACKS!

Contact Lolla Mohammed Nur at moham245@umn.edu if you have any questions.

Environment America

Given all of the problems facing the nation and the planet, growing numbers of recent college graduates are interested in work in the environmental field. Environment America offers a two-year Fellowship Program to help such students launch their careers.

Environment America's mission is to research and advocate the policies and build and mobilize the public support necessary to win positive change for our environment. We have more than 100 professional staff working with the state-based groups in our national federation and in our Washington, D.C., office. We've organized 1 million members, activists and political allies to join us, winning changes that mean more solar and wind power, less global warming pollution, and more protections for our parks, waterways, forests and wilderness areas.

The people accepted into our program are given the training, direction and experience they need to make an impact on environmental policy decisions, on issues from clean energy and climate change to clean water and wilderness preservation. Environment America fellows get trained to conduct research on environmental problems and policy solutions, lobby public officials, carry out effective media outreach campaigns, organize broad-based coalitions, and mobilize grassroots support and action.

After the two-year paid program, many of our fellows accept positions of greater responsibility within our own network or in other organizations, including the Sierra Club, the League of Conservation Voters, Greenpeace, the Natural Resources Defense Council and many others.

For more information about our Fellowship Program, interested students can contact us at Jobs@EnvironmentAmerica.org or (202) 683-1250, and can learn more or apply online at www.EnvironmentAmerica.org/Jobs.

To learn more about Environment America and to get involved in our campaign work, we invite you to check out our website at www.EnvironmentAmerica.org or to give one of us a call at the number above.

Sincerely,

Maria Schweitzer, Recruitment Director and Meg Doherty, Recruitment Administrator

P.S. We also have internships available for undergraduate students. Students can apply for internships online at www.EnvironmentAmerica.org/Jobs.

From Black Ships to a Black President - Images and Reality in US-Japan Relations

November 12, 2009

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Elmer L. Andersen Library

Room 120 B&C

From the arrival of Commodore Matthew Perry and the Black Ships in 1853 to the historical election of America's first African-American president, Japan and the US have looked at each other through stereotypical lenses. This practice has led to serious problems across the spectrum of the relationship: social, political and economic. If misperceptions were commodities, each nation would have run a surplus.

Through the examination of woodblock prints, postcards (the internet of the 1890's), and contemporary political cartoons, the speaker takes the audience on a lively tour through history. Events such as Perry's arrival, the Road to Pearl Harbor, World War II, The Occupation, trade wars, and the current international situation are examined. The key premise being: historical observations that influenced domestic and international policy in the past remain with us today. With the dawn of a new US administration and examination of US-Japan relationship, now might be a good time to travel retrospectively in order to place today's actions in perspective.

About the speaker:

Dr. William R. Farrell's connections with Japan began in 1968 when he was a student at the Department of Defense Foreign Language Institute. During the next 40 years Dr. Farrell resided in or traveled regularly to Japan. Serving as a career military officer, Executive Director of the American Chamber of Commerce in Tokyo, Chairman of a consulting company focused on Asia and currently as Chairman of the National Association of Japan American Societies Dr. Farrell has seen Japan from many perspectives.

Dr. Farrell holds a PhD in International Relations from the University of Michigan and has spoken and written extensively about Japan in two books and numerous articles and opinion pieces.

University Honors Program Applications

The University Honors Program application for post-freshman admission in fall 2010 is now available for online submission.

The University Honors Program (UHP) provides highly qualified and motivated students with a rigorous and enhanced learning experience that crosses academic boundaries. The enriched educational opportunities for honors students include special honors courses and seminars, and an array of co-curricular opportunities. Early in their academic careers, honors students—with the guidance of faculty members—are encouraged to begin engagement in laboratory or scholarly research, works of creative expression, and internships appropriate to their fields of study.

To graduate with Latin Honors (cum laude, magna cum laude or summa cum laude), students must be admitted to the University Honors Program and complete the honors degree requirements. These requirements include a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA in the student's last 60 graded UMTC credits and completion of required honors experiences, including a written

honors thesis based on the results of involvement in research or other scholarly/creative endeavor under the guidance of a faculty mentor.

Applicants to the University Honors Program must have:

- 1) a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5
- 2) an academic record with strong performance in major and prerequisite coursework
- 3) at least 4 semesters remaining until graduation as of Fall 2010

Admission to UHP is competitive and is based on a comprehensive review of the student's application. Informational sessions for interested students will be held the first two weeks of December. All interested students are strongly encouraged to attend one of these sessions. Check the UHP website for the days, times, and locations of the informational sessions and to learn more about UHP.

You may complete and submit an application at <http://honors.umn.edu/index.html>. The priority application deadline is ***January 5, 2010***. Full consideration will be given to all complete applications received by the priority deadline. Applicants will be notified of the decision on their application by March 1, 2010.

Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund (MMMMF)

The Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund (MMMMF) awards educational grants to women from developing countries whose graduate studies and future plans aim to benefit women and children in their respective regions. Commitment to this goal is an essential selection criterion.

For students from developing countries who are currently studying in the United States or Canada, the MMMF awards grants of approximately \$12,000 each; grants are not renewable. Every year, the MMMF also invite the recipients in Washington DC to participate in a three day Awards Program organized in their honor.

Eligibility Criteria

A woman is eligible to apply for an MMMF grant if she meets all the following criteria:

1. Has a record of service to women and/or children in her country.
2. Resides in the U.S. or Canada at the time she submits the application.
3. Is enrolled at an accredited U.S. or Canadian educational institution for the academic year 2009-10 and remain enrolled during the entire year of the grant.
4. Uses the grant to continue to study for her degree.
5. Is a national of a lower or middle income country as designated by the Country Eligibility List of the World Bank (Country Eligibility List). Applicant cannot be a U.S. citizen, permanent U.S. resident or Canadian Land Immigrant.
6. Demonstrates a plan to return to a developing country in about two years after receiving the grant.
7. Demonstrates financial need.
8. Is at least 25 years old by December 31, 2009 (Born before December 31, 1984).
9. Is not related to any World Bank Group staff member or his/her or her spouse.

There are no exceptions to the MMMF Scholarship criteria listed above.

Follow the application procedure below.

Application Forms: available online from November 2, 2009.

Deadline for submitting completed applications: midnight February 18, 2010

Results: **ONLY** successful applicants will be notified around May 1, 2010

The MMMF expects grant recipients to return to their home countries or another developing country within approximately 30 months after receiving their grants and then to perform at least two years of service in her country or another developing country.

As a condition of the grant, the recipient will agree to make a payment, equal to the full amount of her grant, to the MMMF if:

a. the recipient does not return to her country or another developing country within 30 months of receiving the MMMF grant, or after completing her studies in the country the grant was awarded, or

b. the recipient does not complete the two years of service within 54 months of receiving the MMMF grant or after completing her studies in the country where the grant was awarded.

Grants Programs are currently available

US or CANADA:the application for the academic year 2010-11 will be available on-line by November 2, 2009. Women from developing countries currently enrolled at US or Canadian colleges/universities are eligible.

Internship Advice and a Pizza Slice

Thursday, November 12, 2009

12:00 pm to 1:30 pm Location: to be announced An internship is one of the most important things you can do for your future. Do one or more internships during college to make yourself a better job or grad school candidate. Internships give you professional experience and help you explore your interests. At this panel discussion, we'll talk about the benefits of an internship and how to find one. Panelists include employers who hire interns, plus CLA students who've had rewarding internships. You're welcome to just listen, or to ask any questions. This event includes pizza! It's free and open to all CLA students. You do not need to register to attend. Sponsored by the Career and Community Learning Center in coordination with CLA Student Communities.

Contact: Lisa Clark, CLA Communication & Media Community, 612-624-1820,

clar0757@umn.edu

Business Careers for CLA Majors

Friday, November 13, 2009

11:45 am to 1:15 pm B-33 Johnston Hall Learn how a Liberal Arts major can lead to a successful business career. We'll tell you what skills businesses look for and how to acquire them. We'll also present information about business-related majors, minors and internships. Featured speakers include CLA alumni with prominent positions in business. Note that this event is free and you don't have to register in advance to attend. Feel free to bring your lunch. We'll provide cookies!

Humphrey Center Graduate Information Sessions

You are invited to learn more about graduate programs in Public Policy, Science Technology and Environmental Policy and Urban and Regional planning on the following dates:

Tuesday, November 17, 2009 from 12:00-1:30 PM

Tuesday, December 1, 2009 from 5:30-7:30 PM

Humphrey offers concentrations and specializations in Public and Non-Profit Management and Leadership, Community and Economic Development, Social Policy, Policy Analysis, Global Public Policy (including International Development), Science, Technology and Environmental Policy, Women and Public Policy, Transportation Planning, Environmental Planning, Land Use

and Urban Design, Housing and Community Development, and Regional, Economic and Workforce Development. We also offer joint degrees with the schools of Business, Law, Social Work, Public Health, Architecture and Landscape Architecture and Civil Engineering. The information sessions will take place in Room 205 Humphrey Center (Freeman Commons). Beverages and pizza will be served. Faculty and current students will speak briefly about each of our degree programs and will also be available to answer questions. These events are free and open to the public. Space is limited, so please visit our recruitment events page to RSVP: <http://www.hhh.umn.edu/learn/LearnMore.html> Information about our degree programs can also be found on our website at www.hhh.umn.edu I hope to see you there!

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Environmental Protection Agency Research Fellowships

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as part of its Greater Research Opportunities (GRO) program, is offering Greater Research Opportunities (GRO) undergraduate fellowships for bachelor level students in environmental fields of study. The deadline for receipt of paper applications is December 10, 2009 at 4:00 PM and December 10, 2009 at 11:59:59 PM ET for submittal of electronic applications to Grants.gov.

Subject to availability of funding, the Agency plans to award approximately 30 new fellowships by July 30, 2010.

Eligible students will receive support for their junior and senior years of undergraduate study and for an internship at an EPA facility during the summer between their junior and senior years. The fellowship provides up to \$19,250 per year of academic support and up to \$8,000 of internship support for a three-month summer period.

For all information on how to apply visit:

http://pull.xmr3.com/p/4206-639E/80802653/clickto1_r-rfa-2010-2010_gro_undergrad.html

National Center for Environmental Research

1200 Pennsylvania AV NW

Washington DC 20460

Internships

Senator Amy Klobuchar, Internship Program in Washington, D.C.

The Washington office of Senator Amy Klobuchar is currently accepting internship applications for the 2010 spring semester. An internship with the Senator's office is a terrific chance for students to see, and gain experience in, the United States legislative process.

In your first several days you can expect to become familiar with the staff, the office, and Capitol Hill. You will receive training from the Congressional Research Service (CRS), learn how to use the Library of Congress to research policy issues, and attend professional development workshops. If you want to get to know Washington, DC better, our office is glad to arrange visits to other government buildings, monuments, and museums.

Interns will support the legislative and professional staff by conducting policy research to be used for floor speeches, committee hearings, and other legislative materials. Interns will also be asked to do a variety of administrative tasks, including tours of the U.S. Capitol for visitors from Minnesota.

The spring internship runs from January through May and is available both part time and full time. If you will be attending classes while you are here we ask that you note that on your internship application, as well as what days and times you are available to work. We are happy to coordinate with educational institutions and students to develop internships for academic credit.

Materials required for consideration:

- * Cover letter
- * Resume
- * Short writing sample
- * Two letters of recommendation
- * Application (available at <http://www.klobuchar.senate.gov/internships.cfm>) and attached to this email.

If you would like to be considered for this program, please send your application materials by mail, email, or fax to:

U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar
c/o Internship Coordinator
302 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510
Phone: 202-224-3244
Fax: 202-228-2186

email: Greg_bohrer@klobuchar.senate.gov.

The deadline for Spring 2010 application materials is ***November 15th, 2009***. Due to security measures it may take mail through the postal system up to 2 weeks to reach our DC office. We recommend using the email address above to submit your application materials to ensure your application arrives in time. Please note that while we will accept applications from non-Minnesotans, our office gives priority to applicants with Minnesota ties.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the email address listed above or the number listed below.

Sincerely,

Greg Bohrer
Intern Coordinator
Office of Senator Amy Klobuchar
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Korean Economic Institute

KEI is looking for undergraduate or graduate students with a background in political science and/or economics, as well as an interest in Asia-Pacific issues, especially Korea, for its internship program. We offer competitive candidates a unique internship opportunity to be integrally involved in the inner workings of an international government policy institute. Expectations for interns are high. In return, interns can expect a challenging environment which will prepare them for full time employment in a professional setting.

While we do not pay our interns, we promise to provide them with maximum exposure to the major issues and players in US-ROK relations and professional growth in a number of valuable areas. See http://www.keia.org/internships.php#_2 for more information.

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ICPSR Summer Undergraduate

Internship Program -- 2010

The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), the world's largest archive of digital social science data, is now accepting applications for its annual summer internship program. ICPSR is a unit within the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan. ICPSR's data are the foundation for thousands of research articles, reports, and books. Findings from these data are put to use by scholars, policy analysts, policy makers, the media, and the public.

Program Structure:

- * Interns will prepare data in the UNIX and Windows environments and gain experience using statistical programs such as SAS, SPSS, and Stata.
- * Interns will attend courses in the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research.
- * Interns will be required to attend a weekly Lunch and Lecture series that will expose them to various aspects and departments of ICPSR and the Institute for Social Research (ISR).

Timeframe:

The summer student internship program lasts 10 weeks, from June 7-August 13, 2010, at ICPSR in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Compensation:

\$3,000-\$5,000 stipend (pending NSF REU Approval), room and board in university housing, and a scholarship covering the cost of fees, texts, and materials for coursework in the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research.

Application Procedure:

Interested individuals should submit a cover letter of interest, resume, a writing sample, and two letters of recommendation (all in one packet or message, if applying by email) to ICPSR Human Resources, Attn: Summer Internship Program, P.O. Box 1248, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106-1248, Email: careers@icpsr.umich.edu. Applications are due **February 8, 2010**.

Selection Process:

The selection process consists of an applicant packet review, an online interview, and a telephone interview.

*Pending NSF REU Approval

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Qualifications:

- * Undergraduate standing and completion of sophomore year in a social science major
- * Strong academic credentials
- * Knowledge of a statistical software package such as SPSS, SAS, or Stata
- * Previous relevant social science research experience via work or class project
- * Demonstrated leadership, problem solving, and strong verbal and written communication skills
- * Ability to work both independently and as part of a team with professionals at all levels
- * US Citizen or Permanent Resident (pending NSF REU Approval)
- * Must not complete undergraduate studies before December 2010

Have fun weekend, everyone.

Kind regards,

Rose Miskowiec

Undergraduate Adviser, Department of Political Science