1. Commencement information for students graduating in December 2013 is on the Registrar’s website:

2. There is a new IS FOUNDATION COURSE for spring 2014: 039:048 India Beat: Music in India Today.

3. Finals week is December 16 – 20, 2013. The final exam schedule is on the Registrar’s website:

4. Make an appointment with Karmen to be cleared to register for spring 2014, and to discuss your ISBA graduation plan. Contact the International Studies Program at 319/384-1328; 21 Schaeffer Hall. Or use the online scheduler found on the IS website:
https://tippie.uiowa.edu/clas/professional-advising/

5. Karmen will be away from campus December 23 – January 1, 2014.

India Through Film – Final Screening!

All screenings are free and open to the public.
Please note, however, that they are for a course. If you attend, please come on time, turn off all electronic devices, and do not converse with friends or otherwise disturb the screening. There will be a five-minute break at roughly midpoint of most films.

Tues., Dec. 10, 6:30 – 9:30 PM, 109 EPB
Om Shanti Om
(director: Farah Khan, 2007, 162 mins.)

Volunteer with an International Non-Profit:
Iowa United Nations Association

The Iowa United Nations Association provides community and office volunteering opportunities throughout the year. Expedite the volunteer process and fill out our volunteer application form today! For other volunteer inquiries, please contact Rebecca Pope at rebecca@unaiowa.org. Learn more at http://iowauna.org/get-involved/volunteer/.
Human Rights Day: Public Reading of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

When: December 10, Noon
Where: Iowa City Public Library Event Room A, 123 N. Linn Street, Iowa City

Local non-profits, student organizations, and community members will gather for a public reading of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR). The UDHR is the most translated document in written history, and was adopted by the U.N. assembly in 1948 as a direct response to the horrors of World War II.

Attendees will receive a free pocket size copy of the UDHR courtesy of Iowa UNA. If you would like your non-profit or student group represented at this program, please email emilyharmon@unaiowa.org.

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Act it | Rap it | Recite it

When: December 10, 6:00pm-8:00pm
Where: Iowa Imagination Station, Iowa City Marketplace (formerly Sycamore Mall), 1660 Sycamore Street, Iowa City

In celebration of Human Rights Day, the Iowa United Nations Association and the Iowa Imagination Station are excited to announce a contest to creatively express the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).

We welcome youth as individuals or groups to portray the values of the UDHR through poetry, acting, rapping or any other expression. Each act will have 5 minutes to perform. A $100 prize will be awarded to the winner of each the elementary, middle and high school categories. Participants or their guardians can register as performers by contacting emilyharmon@unaiowa.org.

SPRING 2014 SERVICE LEARNING COURSE

3:187 Literacy Instruction for Young Children
3 sh of elective credit (i.e., this course is not approved for the ISBA)

This is a service-learning course in collaboration with the preschool program at Roundy Elementary School in Columbus Junction, Iowa. Students enrolled in this course will engage in print-focused storybook reading groups with preschool-aged children, participate in classroom and community activities, and write reflective papers (three). The school district is culturally diverse, with 64% of the children 2nd generation Hispanic (primarily Mexican-American). The majority of these children are not native speakers of English, and Spanish is the exclusive language spoken at home. Further, the community has recently become home to families from Myanmar, and the children from these families speak Burmese as their first language. **International Studies students in the past have not been required to complete the co-requisite** (which is listed on ISIS). Contact the instructor directly with questions: tricia-zebrowski@uiowa.edu
Issues in International Studies
Exploring Thailand: Buddhist Monks, Activist Students, and Amulet Markets

SPRING 2014 • 187:004:SCA • 1 S.H.

3:30P - 5:05P Tuesday E226 AJB
Professor Scott McNabb

This course will explore cultural issues in Thailand through the lens of the instructor’s forty years of teaching, research, and aid evaluation visits to the Kingdom. Educational, religious and political perspectives will be presented, supplemented with video presentations.
6:30-9:15pm Monday • 151 SH • 3 s.h.
Dr. Scott McNabb • 30 years of research experience in Thailand

- Analyze the basics of qualitative research and issues relevant to living and conducting research in other cultures
- Develop and refine individual research proposals that could serve as guidelines for future research work abroad.
- Students without concrete plans for overseas research should take the course as if they are, in fact, leaving on June 1, 2014 for 6-12 months of research in the country of their choice.

**Approved ISBA tracks:** *International Communication and Information, Development, Global Health Studies*
Career Leadership Academy

Ever wonder what skills employers crave from college graduates? Well Leadership is the number one skill they say students need to be successful in their future careers, and the Career Leadership Academy, offered by the Pomerantz Career Center, is a program that helps you develop that!

The Career Leadership Academy is a 2-4 semester academic program that will allow you to develop your personal leadership skills while also developing your professionalism through highly interactive classes that cover team work, problem-solving skills, resume writing, interviewing, etiquette, job searching strategies and much more.

You can add any one of the following Career Leadership Academy courses (LS:2000 or LS:2002) next semester. More info at: http://www.careers.uiowa.edu/leadershipacademy/.

Looking for a unique summer 2014 study abroad program?

Consider a 4-week Global Health Studies program in Mysore, India. http://study-abroad.international.uiowa.edu/programs/details/index.php?crse=897

This is a selective program (so not everyone who applies will be accepted). Its focus is on working closely with non-profit organizations which are associated with the Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM). By partnering with south Indian and U.S. experts in culturally informed community health projects, participants will learn about south Indian health care issues and practice, including strategies to develop culturally congruent health care.

The program begins with 5-8 virtual class sessions to be offered during the spring semester. Dr. Lisa Skemp is the program faculty director who conducts the online courses, and accompanies the student group to India. Over the course of four weeks, students will participate in a variety of activities such as conducting a culturally informed community assessment, programming and/or evaluation, attending seminars and clinical discussions, and participating in specialty areas of health represented in the community.

Application deadline is in January 2014.
Summer 2014 program dates are May 28 – June 30 (approximately).

For more contact: fran-boyken@uiowa.edu UI Study Abroad; lisa.skemp@ololcollege.edu Faculty Director

Des Moines Internship Program

The Political Science Des Moines Internship Program (DMIP) has recently been expanded to allow any undergraduate student to participate.

DMIP provides UI students the opportunity to build valuable professional skills and connections with positions in business, non-profits, government, and politics. Students in the program live in Des Moines for a full semester, work 30-35 hours per week, and continue to take courses at the University of Iowa’s Pappajohn Center in downtown Des Moines.

The Department will assist students throughout the internship application process with resume writing, the selection of and application to internship sites, and preparing to interview. Students interested in participating in Spring 2014 should contact martha-kirby@uiowa.edu ASAP.
Spring 2014 Internship with Iowa United Nations Association - Advocacy and Media Director (10-15 hours per week)

To learn more about Iowa UNA, please visit their website in progress at www.iowauna.org

The role of the Advocacy Director is to keep up with international issues as they relate to the United Nations and humanitarian efforts. You should be passionate about speaking up for those who don’t have a voice and be interested in humanitarian issues, and think there is still a lot more we can be doing. Through this position you will research a wide variety of issues related to the MDG’s (Millennium Development Goals) for educating our members and also help generate program ideas. Your job will consist of researching whatever issue our organization is currently planning programs to cover, generate ideas for programs and also finding out new ways to educate others.

§ Stay connected with global issues and follow big stories
§ Update Facebook with global advocacy items and develop a social media and op-ed calendar for Spring 2014
§ Read the UN Wire, Reuters world section, and various other news outlets
§ Stay connected with videos the UN posts online and organize a list of videos that relate to our projects
§ Look into women’s rights initiatives, and learn more about what UN women does
§ Keep up with world water issues, and the UNICEF Tap Project
§ Research Malaria related issues
§ Help write content for informative pamphlets on these issues
§ Keep up with progress of the MDG’s
§ Develop programs and advocate for the ratification various UN treaties

QUALIFICATIONS
• Ability to find scholarly and qualified articles
• Proficient in Microsoft Office
• Excellent written and verbal communication skills
• Demonstrated flexibility when priorities change
• Self-starter and very organized

Apply via HireAHawk.com (Log into ISIS and go to Student Records, Documentation & Reports and then Career Services (www.HireaHawk.com)).

Intern with CIVIC/ICFRC

Interested in working with globally minded people as a stepping stone to your international career? Apply for an internship with the Iowa City Foreign Relations Council and Council for International Visitors to Iowa Cities. ICFRC and CIVIC are nonprofit organizations helping make Iowa City more aware of the world around us.

An internship with ICFRC or CIVIC provides:
• Promotion of global awareness
• An opportunity to interact with representatives of all aspects of working in the government
• A chance to work in an exciting workplace with other great interns.
• Real-life experience in non-profit organizations
• A commitment of only 10 hours per week
• Experience in how the US State Department helps out small organizations
• Skills you may use in future careers (event coordinating, marketing, logistics)
• Awesome connections and networks of influential people

Applications can be picked up at our office, 1120 University Capitol Centre. For more information, please email us at icfrc@uiowa.edu or call our office at 319-335-0351. To apply, email application and resume to icfrc@uiowa.edu, or deliver to our office.
Internship Opportunities at Teach for America

**Operations Coordinator** (paid summer internship): Assist with general support at teacher training institutes, including clerical, administrative, logistical, and manual tasks. Learn more and apply by December 15 at [http://www.teachforamerica.org/operations-coordinator](http://www.teachforamerica.org/operations-coordinator).

**Campus Campaign Coordinator** (paid internship): Work behind the scenes to develop and execute a detailed strategic plan aimed at inspiring top students to apply for the corps. Enhance your professional skills in networking, marketing, and communication while gaining an understanding of how a successful non-profit operates. Begins in Spring 2014 and continue through the 2014-15 school year. For an application, email Jostna-dash@uiowa.edu.

**Rising Leaders Fellowship**: The Rising Leaders Fellowship is a diverse, national coalition of more than 100 student leaders working to expand educational opportunity on campuses and in communities. Over 12 months, each fellow designs and leads a high-impact project, builds a team among their peers, collaborates with a local mentor, and attends a national training forum, the Rising Leaders Summit – all while drawing energy and inspiration from a national network of fellows and fellowship alumni. This opportunity is limited to current sophomores and juniors who would be able to complete a Fellowship from January 2014 to December 2014. Attendance at the Summer 2014 Rising Leaders Fellowship Summit is required, and undergraduates who intend to study abroad at any point in 2014 are not eligible for the Fellowship. To request an application, email RLFellowship@teachforamerica.org.

Like Teach for America at UIowa on Facebook!

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**CLAS Annual Scholarship Competition**

The College of Liberal Arts & Sciences annual Scholarship Competition has begun. For 2014-2015 academic year, the College plans to award over 110 new scholarships collectively worth over $393,000.

To be eligible for most CLAS scholarships, students must:

- have a strong academic record
- be enrolled in a College of Liberal Arts & Sciences degree-granting program and seeking their first undergraduate degree; and
- continue as an undergraduate in 2014-2015.

Note that some scholarships involve both merit and financial need criteria, some specify Iowa residence, some specify full-time student status, and some specify class status. The specific criteria for each scholarship can easily be accessed via the College's web site.

Most scholarships offered through the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences require two (2) letters of recommendation. **One of these letters must be from a faculty member.** Once you complete the application, the references you have listed will receive an email explaining the submission process. Recommendation letters will not be accepted until the scholarship application has been successfully submitted online.

Application forms are available now [online](http://www.clas.uiowa.edu) and are due **February 3, 2014**. Letters of recommendation are due by 5:00 pm Monday, February 10, 2014.

Questions may be addressed to the **Office of Academic Programs & Student Development** at clas-scholarships@uiowa.edu or (319) 335-2633.
Honors at Iowa’s 2014-2015 Scholarship Competition

Click [HERE](#) to find out more about the scholarships and awards offered by the University of Iowa Honors Program!

Not sure where to begin your scholarship search? Start [here](#)!
Download the UIHP Scholarships & Fellowships Starter Search Guide to find resources for funding at the University of Iowa and beyond!

Questions? Contact Kelly Thornburg, Scholarships & Fellowships Director
Honors at Iowa, University of Iowa
431 Blank Honors Center, Iowa City, IA 52245
kelly-thornburg@uiowa.edu

- To schedule an appointment, please call 319-335-1874
- For information about scholarship and fellowship opportunities, click [here](#)
- To view the 2013-2014 UIHP Scholarships & Fellowships Deadline Schedule, click [here](#)

Apply for FLAS funding to learn a South Asian language in Summer 2014

The South Asia Summer Language Institute (SASLI) based at the University of Wisconsin – Madison is offering intensive summer courses in the following South Asian languages: Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Malayalam, Marathi, Pashto, Sanskrit, Sinhala, Tamil, Telugu, Tibetan, and Urdu.

Applications for Summer 2014 are now being accepted. FLAS (Foreign Language Area Studies) Fellowships are available for qualified candidates. Please visit our website for more information and the FLAS application: [http://sasli.wisc.edu/funding.html](http://sasli.wisc.edu/funding.html)

Information on how to apply to SASLI can be found here: [http://sasli.wisc.edu/apply.html](http://sasli.wisc.edu/apply.html)

Any questions can be addressed to Anne Naparstek, by phone at (608) 261-1194 or by e-mail at sasli@southasia.wisc.edu

Apply for a Laura W. Bush Traveling Fellowship

The State Department is currently accepting applications for Summer/Fall 2014 Laura W. Bush Traveling Fellowships to help fund innovative travel around the world by young people to use education, natural sciences, social and human sciences, culture, and/or communication and information to build strong ties among nations. The fellowship is intended for American college students who have not been afforded many opportunities to travel abroad. Through 4 to 6 weeks of travel anywhere in the world, you can have the opportunity to interact with individuals from other nations while promoting the goals of UNESCO. Applications for Summer/Fall are accepted until February 24, 2014. Click [here](#) for full details.
Apply for the Kathryn Davis Fellowships for Peace

The Kathryn Davis Fellowships cover a significant portion of the cost of summer language study from beginner to graduate levels in Arabic, Chinese, Hebrew, Japanese, Portuguese, and Russian at the Middlebury College Language Schools. They are merit-based and intended for exceptionally qualified individuals with demonstrated interest in one or more of the following areas: international, global, or area studies; international politics and economics; peace and security studies; and/or conflict resolution. Individuals in other fields, including working professionals, are encouraged to apply if their field of expertise requires them to study one of the critical languages listed above.

For more information and application materials, visit http://www.middlebury.edu/ls/finaid/fellowships/kwd. Please direct any questions to kdfellowships@middlebury.edu. Application materials must be postmarked by January 14, 2014.

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Are you passionate about global change, committed to learning by doing, and ready to engage in hands-on global development?

The Global Engagement Studies Institute (GESI) at Northwestern University will equip you to:
- Work directly with local communities and community organizations in Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, India, South Africa, or Uganda
- Earn two Northwestern course credits (equivalent to six semester hours)
- Live with a host family and immerse yourself in another culture for eight weeks
- Work in teams of undergraduates to design and implement a development project in microfinance, social enterprise, education, environmental sustainability, global health, and more

To learn more about GESI, and how to apply, go to www.gesi.northwestern.edu. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Early deadlines are December 15, 2013 and January 15, 2014, for guaranteed first choice placement if accepted into the program. Final deadline is March 1, 2014, but please apply early, as spaces will fill. If you have questions and want to speak to a member of the GESI staff, please contact us at gesi@northwestern.edu or 847.491.5932.

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Apply for a Global Health Corps Fellowship

Applications for the 2014-2015 Global Health Corps fellowship are now open! Global Health Corps is creating a new breed of leaders that develop innovative solutions to the world's most challenging health problems.

Part two of the application will be posted on December 6, 2013. Applications close January 26, 2014.

Global Health Corps places talented individuals from a wide variety of backgrounds in high impact roles in NGOs and government agencies in sub-Saharan Africa and the US in a 1-year, paid fellowship. Through intensive training, professional development, mentorship, and thoughtful community building, we ensure that fellows are equipped to be global health changemakers during their fellowship and beyond.
Submit to the Weston Essay Prize

The University of Iowa Center for Human Rights to promote understanding and continuing advancement of the field of human rights, and to honor the lifetime work of Professor Burns H. Weston of the College of Law, is sponsoring the Burns H. Weston International Human Rights Essay Prize.

The writing competition is open to all registered students at the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa.

Two prizes will be awarded: $750 to an under-graduate and $1000 to a graduate/or professional student. Undergraduate essays should be 15-20 pages: graduate or professional student essays should be 25-40 pages.

Essays can discuss current events or history; public policy or the arts & humanities. The only requirement is that the essay address issues of international human rights.

The deadline for the 2013 Weston Essay Prize competition has been extended to December 20, 2013. Please bring essays to the UI Center for Human Rights office in 1120 University Capitol Centre or mail to UICHR, 1120 UCC, 201 S. Clinton Street, Iowa City, IA 52242.

Submit to the Love of Learning Poetry Prize

University of Iowa undergraduates are eligible to submit one poem about their love of learning. Submit your poem in person or via Campus Mail to CLAS, 120 Schaeffer Hall by 4:00 pm on December 20, 2013.

Phi Beta Kappa Officers will read the poems and choose the one they feel best speaks to our motto, “the love of learning is the guide of life.” One recipient will receive $100 and the poem will be posted on Iowa’s Phi Beta Kappa website at http://clas.uiowa.edu/students/opportunities-students/phi-beta-kappa

Students will be notified in February via UI email. The recipient is welcome to read the poem at the May PBK ceremony.

The Love of Learning Poetry Prize is awarded by the Alpha of Iowa Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Learn more about Phi Beta Kappa at http://clas.uiowa.edu/students/opportunities-students/phi-beta-kappa/membership.

Global Health Essay Contest

Attention all undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate students, Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH), Child Family Health International (CFHI), and University of Pittsburgh Center for Global Health, are excited to announce the opening of the 2014 CUGH Trainee Essay Contest. Trainees are encouraged to submit essays reflecting on experiences in global health.

Deadline is Monday, January 6, 11pm EST. Winners will receive cash prizes, free registration for the 2014 CUGH Annual Conference, and selected submissions will be included in the book Reflections and Global Health Education: An Anthology, 2nd Edition.

For more info visit: http://2014cughconference.org/awards-competitions/2014-student-essay-contest/
**“Many Languages, One World” International Essay Contest**

ELS Educational Services, Inc., a NAFSA Global Partner, and the United Nations Academic Impact initiative, of which NAFSA is a partner organization, are sponsoring an essay contest in which university students explore how multilingual ability advances global citizenship and understanding. Sixty students from around the world will be selected to participate in a youth conference at the United Nations in New York in June 2014. Learn more and visit the contest website.

The contest, Many Languages, One World, supports international education and multilingualism through the continued study of the six official languages of the United Nations: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish. To qualify, students must write their essays in one of the six languages, which must not be their mother-tongue. The language must be the entrant’s second or third language, and not the principal medium of instruction in her or his education.

The essay competition will culminate in an international conference of selected winners, who will be awarded a full expense paid 5 day trip to New York where they will convene in a United Nations Youth Forum and Conference at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City. Submissions are due by February 21, 2014.

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**Apply for the Iowa N.E.W. Leadership Summer Institute**

The Women’s Resource and Action Center (WRAC) on The University of Iowa campus hosts the Iowa N.E.W. Leadership Summer Institute annually. Iowa N.E.W. Leadership is an intensive 5-day residential institute designed to empower women across the political spectrum and increase the participation of underrepresented groups in the public sector. The Institute experience is built around a challenging curriculum that develops self-awareness, knowledge and skill in key areas, including:

- Strategic communication
- Policy analysis
- Philanthropy
- Negotiation
- Community development
- Professional sustainability
- Relationship-building
- Productive engagement with difference, conflict and collaboration

**Iowa N.E.W. Leadership: Who is eligible to apply?**

- Women students enrolled at the University of Iowa
- Women enrolled in any post-secondary academic institution in Iowa
- Women Iowa residents attending colleges or universities outside the state
- Women students (as listed above) pursuing degrees in ANY academic discipline—undergraduate or graduate
- Students graduating in December 2013 and May 2014 are still eligible

Students are welcome to apply to the program directly. Nominations from faculty, staff, and students are encouraged, but are NOT required.

**Nomination Deadline: January 30, 2014**
**Application Deadline: February 20, 2014.**

The 2014 nomination form and application packet are online. For more information, contact us at wrac-newleadership@uiowa.edu or go to our website at http://www.uiowa.edu/~wrac/iowa-new.shtml
WFAN’s 2014 Harvesting Our Potential program applications are now available online at http://wfan.org/our-programs/harvesting-our-potential/. We have mentorship opportunities for Iowa or Nebraska women farmers of all experience levels:

1. If you're an aspiring farmer (want to farm but not yet farming), you can apply to participate in an on-farm mentorship for 8 to 10 weeks during the growing season with an experienced woman farmer. We'll match you with someone as close to you in geography and farm type as possible.

2. If you're a beginning farmer (farming 10 years or fewer), you can apply to participate in an off-farm mentorship with an experience woman farmer who can help you progress toward your farming goals. This relationship will consist primarily of email and/or phone contact each week for a year, and one visit to each other's farm.

On-farm mentees receive stipends; off-farm mentees will have mileage reimbursed to visit their mentor's farm.

Please call 515-460-2477 or email info@wfan.org with any questions. Applications accepted until all positions are filled for 2014 (10 on-farm mentees in IA and 4 in NE; 5 off-farm mentees in IA, and 2 in NE).