Academic Information

IMPORTANT ACADEMIC INFORMATION FOR ISBA STUDENTS ENROLLING IN 187:199 SENIOR PROJECT OR 187:198 HONORS THESIS IN SPRING 2012

If you enrolled in senior project or honors thesis on ISIS without submitting a Registration Preapproval form and Project/Thesis Proposal to the International Studies Program please note:

YOU WILL BE ADMINISTRATIVELY DROPPED FROM SPRING 2012 SENIOR PROJECT OR HONORS THESIS ON JANUARY 17, 2012 UNLESS YOU SUBMIT THE REQUIRED PAPERWORK TO 218 SCHAEFFER HALL BEFORE THAT DATE. STUDENTS WHO ARE ADMINISTRATIVELY DROPPED WILL NEED TO RE-ADD SENIOR PROJECT/HONORS THESIS WITH AN ADD SLIP (AND POSSIBLE FEE).

Students who are dropped from senior project or honors thesis will not be able to graduate in spring 2012 until the required paperwork is received by the International Studies Program.

Correct instructions for enrolling in 187:199 Intl Studies Senior Project and 187:198 Honors Thesis Intl Studies for spring 2012 are on the ISBA Website under “Forms/How-To”: [http://international.uiowa.edu/international-studies/documents/07-11Sp12updtedENROLLin187199or187198.pdf](http://international.uiowa.edu/international-studies/documents/07-11Sp12updtedENROLLin187199or187198.pdf)

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**Spring 2012 classes begin Tuesday, January 17, 2012**

For other important spring 2012 deadlines go to the ISIS log-in screen, and click Significant Deadline Dates. Students can add and drop semester-length courses on ISIS until midnight, January 16, 2012.

**Monday Jan 23:** Last day to add or drop courses without a $12 charge

**Monday Jan 30:** Last day for undergraduates to add courses or drop courses without a W

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Read important information about adding/dropping classes on the Academic Advising Center’s website.
The Kenneth J. Cmiel Funded Human Rights Internship Program provides funding to selected students who have secured a summer internship with a local, national or international non-governmental organization or governmental agency engaged in human rights related advocacy, research or education. Program funds cover travel and living expenses associated with the internship.

Current students who will remain enrolled in a degree program at the UI the semester following their internship are eligible. The program is named to honor the late director of the UICHR, Kenneth J. Cmiel. Professor Cmiel was a faculty member in the UI Department of History and an internationally renowned scholar of human rights. Applications for 2012 internships will be due by March 9. Additional information will be posted on the UICHR website as it becomes available.

For more info, contact Liz Crooks at (319) 335-3900 or e-mail uichr@uiowa.edu.

The Nancy "Rusty" Barceló Scholarship will be awarded to UI students conducting research or producing creative projects on the history or life of Midwestern Latinas (preference for Iowa).

The recipient should show an understanding of Latino culture and language. Selection shall be made by a committee appointed by the Center for Diversity & Enrichment. Financial need is not a primary factor. The award may vary from year to year. Applications must be submitted by Friday, February 17, 2012, to be considered. Click here to download the Nancy "Rusty" Barceló Scholarship application. Contact the Center for Diversity and Enrichment for more information: 319-335-3555 or http://www.cde.uiowa.edu

The Spring 2012 ISBA Poster Session will be held Friday, May 11th from 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM in 2520 D, University Capitol Centre (second floor of Old Capital Mall).

This event is mandatory for all for Honors ISBA students completing 187:198 Honors Thesis Intl Studies in Spring 2012. Students not completing 187:198 Honors Thesis Intl Studies in Spring 2012 are not required to attend, but are welcome. All ISBA students attending are encouraged to invite family and faculty mentors.

Keep an eye out for more information in your hawkmail!

Funding Opportunity

The Stanley Award for International Research is given annually to outstanding University of Iowa undergraduates for the pursuit of learning activities in international studies that are not available on the UI campus. Awards are made to students who have, in close consultation with faculty members, developed well-conceived, small-scale research or fieldwork projects on international topics, which require travel abroad. Awards range from $1,000-$3,000, depending on merit and on travel and living costs associated with the project. Results of the competition will be announced by late April 2012. Successful applicants must use and claim the funds by May 2013.

Upcoming Stanley Workshops

Jan 25, 2012 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Feb 9, 2012 12:00-1:00 p.m.

International Commons, 1117 University Capitol Centre.

For more info, call 319-335-0368, email Karen Wachsmuth or click here.
Access to Healthy, Safe & Sustainably-Produced Food
January 15th, 2012
by Matt Ohloff, Iowa-based Organizer for Food and Water Watch

Climate Change, Biofuels, and Hunger
January 22nd, 2012
by Dr. Jerry Schnoor, University of Iowa Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering
Peace Corps Information Session

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Wed, January 25th
7pm
International Programs
Room 1117
University Capitol Centre

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Learn how you can make a difference overseas while experiencing a life-changing adventure!

For more information:
Meredith Mahy Gall
UI Peace Corps Representative
319.335.0347
peacecorps@uiowa.edu

Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend all University of Iowa sponsored events. If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to participate in this program, please contact the University of Iowa Peace Corps office at 319.335.0347
Announcing the 2012-2013 UIHP Scholarships Competition

For more information, please call 319-335-1874 or email kelly-thornburg@uiowa.edu

All students who wish to compete for this year’s UIHP Scholarships will complete ONE application form and should be prepared to include the following components in their application:

- **ONE 2012-2013 Online Application Form**
  
  The online application is still in development. It will become accessible to students and recommendation writers after January 5, 2012 at [http://honors.uiowa.edu/scholarships/ uihp/index.shtml](http://honors.uiowa.edu/scholarships/ uihp/index.shtml)

- **ONE resume or CV**

- **ONE copy of the applicant’s transcript**
  
  Applicants will upload an INFORMAL copy of their transcript into the online application after January 5, 2012.

- **TWO essays**
  
  - **Essay one** • Applicants should respond to ONE of the two essay questions listed below.
    
    **Question ONE** • Option 1 • In your opinion, what is the purpose and value of an undergraduate honors education? Your response to this question should address the general value of honors within higher education and not necessarily the program here at the University of Iowa. (Responses may not exceed 500 words)
    
    **Question ONE** • Option 2 • How have you contributed as an intellectual, advocate, or volunteer to the University of Iowa’s Honors community? What have you learned from interacting with the people, resources, and opportunities connected to it? How have your contributions and connections to the program supported your intellectual and professional development? Please be sure to address all three components of this question in your response. Responses may not exceed 500 words.
    
  - **Essay two** • All UIHP Scholarship Applicants will respond to ESSAY TWO
    
    Please tell us about the question or problem that is most interesting to you as a thinker, researcher, and writer. Responses may not exceed 800 words.
    
    Please consider the following paragraph before responding! You may explore any topic in your response to this question, but we ask that you craft your answer as if you are presenting to a group of faculty, students, and staff who represent a broad spectrum of disciplines and professional experiences. For the sake of clarity and engagement, please be sure to explain any terms or processes that might be unfamiliar to a diverse audience like this one. It is important for you to use your own voice, but to also strengthen your exploration of your chosen question or problem with evidence and examples to help your readers understand both the question or problem AND your connection to it.

- **ONE letter of recommendation**
  
  - Online form will allow each applicant to invite his or her writer to submit a letter of recommendation electronically AFTER January 5, 2012.

  All UIHP Scholarship Application Materials, including letters of recommendation, must be submitted by 5:00 PM on or before Thursday, February 2, 2012.

The 2012-2013 UIHP Scholarships Online Application Form will be available on January 6, 2012.