Academic Info: A Note from Karmen Berger

Hello International Studies students:

I hope you are enjoying your summer.

1. The International Studies Program has moved. Same phone number 319/384-1328, but a new location 21 Schaeffer Hall (basement level).

2. There is a new curriculum for the International Studies B.A. and minor which is being implemented in fall 2012. Students enrolling for the first time at the University of Iowa in fall 2012 must complete the new requirements. UI students who declare these degree programs fall 2012 or later must complete the new requirements. Continuing students who have already declared the International Studies B.A. or minor may choose between the two sets of requirements. The 2012+ requirements are outlined on the International Studies website: [http://clas.uiowa.edu/international-studies](http://clas.uiowa.edu/international-studies)

If you think that you might want to change to the new requirements, please contact me to discuss.

3. I will be on vacation July 21 - August 5, 2012.

Would you like to volunteer for International Programs at the Iowa State Fair? We are looking for a couple international students to serve as cultural ambassadors at the International Programs booth at the Iowa State Fair on Wednesday, August 15. You would be interacting with Iowa residents and children, talking about your native country, and leading other small cultural activities as planned. International Programs will provide transportation to and from the fair and you will have some free time to explore the fair. If you are interested in this opportunity, please email Amy Green (amy-green-1@uiowa.edu) with your name, native country, and any special talents you can share. More information on the Iowa State Fair: [http://www.iowastatefair.org/](http://www.iowastatefair.org/)
003:187 Early Literacy Instruction for Young Children

This is a service-learning course that involves student participation in an early literacy program for preschoolers. Students will be taught the concepts and skills necessary to conduct "story time" groups with preschool children that target their development of print knowledge. In addition, they will gain experience in applying what they have learned by reading aloud twice weekly to small groups of preschool children at Roundy Elementary in Columbus Junction, Iowa, a small town 35 miles south of Iowa City. The school district is culturally diverse, with 64% of the children 2nd generation Hispanic (primarily Mexican). The majority of Hispanic children are not native speakers of English, and Spanish is the exclusive language spoken at home. This class will provide you with valuable experience working with the same group of children in a preschool setting, at the same time as you are providing an important school and community service that will have a positive impact on children’s school success. Opportunities for community engagement will be provided. Transportation will be arranged.

PLEASE NOTE: There are prerequisites for this course. Interested International Studies students should contact the instructor directly to discuss if the course is a good fit for them: tricia-zebrowski@uiowa.edu

409:110 Career Exploration

This interactive course is designed to assist first-year or sophomore level students wanting to identify their interests, skills, and values in order to target possible majors of interest and begin exploring career opportunities that connect to their interests. It will include self-assessment, informational interviews, researching majors and careers, employer site visits and speakers. Students will not be graded based on tests, but will receive a pass/fail grade based on successful completion of projects as well as other assignments that aid in career exploration and decision making.

Link to ISIS: https://isis2.uiowa.edu/isis2/courses/search.page?q.endTime=&q.sectionNumber=&q.keywords=career+exploration&q.courseSubject=&q.genEd=&q.startTime=&csl=&showResults=1&q.sessionId=48&q.courseNumber=&q.instructors

187:014 The Netherlands and Pella

Join Professor Jerry Croft for this 1 s.h. course, Fall 2012 from October 9th to the 18th, TTh 3:30-7:00 PM. Learn about the history and culture of the most economically powerful small country in the world. Study the immigration patterns of the Dutch who came to Pella, Iowa, and take an optional Saturday trip with Professor Croft to tour historic Pella.
ENERGY AND HEALTH ON A SICK PLANET

The fall 2012 conference encompasses themes related to the need for a re-evaluation of energy needs and mechanisms to produce energy through the lens of health impacts. It explores current challenges and potential remedies to global energy needs. Speakers will be drawn from across the world and the US, and the course will provide an opportunity for students to hear first-hand from individuals who are actively improving global health. Students are challenged to connect the knowledge and skills they are obtaining in their coursework to world-wide health problems.

This weekend conference is open to all UI students.

All students will attend one conference held on October 5 – 7, 2012, but must also attend one of two pre-conference organizational meetings in September where they will receive detailed information regarding their participation options. Grading will be based on attendance at all conference sessions and one of the following: a final paper, a poster, a fact sheet, or leadership in a roundtable discussion.

Enroll on ISIS under course number 152:152 Global Health Conference (section SCA or section SCB), for 1 semester hour. Some meals and refreshments are provided for conference registrants (course fee is $40.00).

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Half-time Executive Director at CIVIC

APPLICATION
DEADLINE IS
MONDAY, JULY 30, 2012.

The Council for International Visitors to Iowa Cities (CIVIC) invites applications for the half-time (+) position of Executive Director. CIVIC, based in Iowa City, seeks an experienced and dynamic Executive Director to work with the CIVIC Board on implementing a new strategic vision for strengthening the organization and expanding its activities. The assignment will initially be on a 20-25 hours per week basis. It will involve maintaining the scope of current and past activities carried out in affiliation with the National Council of International Visitors (NCIV), while working with the Board and its committees to develop new initiatives including:

1. To strengthen CIVIC’s financial base by supplementing NCIV grants with promising new initiatives likely to include:
   - Increases in membership numbers and contributions;
   - Initiation of corporate sponsorships and grants; and
   - Expansion of activities for reimbursed local services.
2. To improve the organization’s visibility via mass media and social media.
3. To increase outreach to a broader range of eastern Iowa communities.

Interested candidates may submit application letters including an up-to-date resumé to:

Interim Executive Director
David Tiffany
CIVIC
1111 University Capitol Centre
Iowa City, IA 52242
Phone: (319)-335-0351
Email: civic@uiowa.edu

Additional details are available on request.
Fall 2012 Internship!

With Iowa City Foreign Relations Council and Council for International Visitors to Iowa Cities

Are you interested in learning more about international relations? Do you like to help plan events and assist with the visit of international world leaders?

Then you should APPLY FOR AN INTERNSHIP with ICFRC and CIVIC.

DEADLINE to apply for a fall internship is August 20th. (Early applications are greatly appreciated.)

We are organizations which host and coordinate visits for international cultural and educational exchange as well as host international forums. Preferable candidates are enthusiastic and dependable with excellent communication skills who would be able to commitment to a minimum of 10 hours per week for the fall. Some other duties may include giving tours of Iowa City, providing transportation to international visitors, coordinating events, marketing, finance, and more! Internship for academic credit must be recognized by the Pomerantz Center by August 1st. ALL MAJORS WELCOME!

Oh...and it looks stellar on a resume.

To apply, go to http://icfrc.blogspot.com/p/internships.html or http://iccivic.blogspot.com/p/internships.html to fill out an application. Then, email your application and a resume to: icfrc@uiowa.edu or civic@uiowa.edu.
Creating Effective Leadership for the 21st Century: Popular Culture and Positive Role Models for Women and Girls

Please note! Essays and Registration are due July 27

About the Scholarship

Womenetics, U.S. Bank and Discover® will award a grand total of $22,000 in scholarships to ten undergraduates this fall.

Womenetics recognizes the power of young people. The Advancing Aspirations Global Scholarships (AAGS) are designed to connect students who are interested in the global advancement of women with thought leaders in vital, impactful roles and to provide means for further study. We believe students are the future leaders of women’s empowerment worldwide.

Eligibility

To be eligible, an individual must be enrolled as an undergraduate student in an accredited college or university, and be a U.S. citizen or legal resident of the United States. Students who have already obtained a bachelor’s degree are not eligible. Students are invited to enter both the U.S. Bank and Discover Prizes; however, if selected for one prize, the student is automatically ineligible for the other. Students are not required to attend the conferences in Atlanta or Chicago in order to win.

Scholarship Details and Requirements

U.S. Bank and Discover have partnered with Womenetics to encourage future leaders to learn about these topics. We invite college students to discuss one of the following questions in an essay of 2,500 words or less, for the opportunity to win one of ten prizes. Please provide a 'works cited' page to document any research referenced in your essay. In addition, a separate 200-word essay on what you will do with the prize money should you win is required. The prize money is intended to finance education, travel or other opportunities that may lead to further understanding of these important global issues.

1st Prize: Two first place winners (one for the U.S. Bank Prize and one for the Discover Prize) will win $5,000 and an expense-paid trip to attend and be recognized at the respective Womenetics’ Global Women’s Initiative conference. In addition, the winner is invited to attend a VIP Reception with featured speakers and other top business, academic, nonprofit and policy leaders the evening before the event.

2nd Prize: Eight additional essayists (four for the U.S. Bank Prize and four for the Discover Prize) will win $1,500 and recognition at the Womenetics Global Women’s Initiative, as well as an invitation to the VIP Reception with featured speakers and other top business, academic, nonprofit and policy leaders the evening before the event. The four finalists for each conference are invited to attend, but are responsible for their own travel costs.

To enter, essay and registration form must be received by email and in printed copy by 5 pm EST on Friday, July 27. Essays must be sent electronically to scholarships@womenetics.com, and a printed copy with the completed registration form must be sent to

Advancing Aspirations Global Scholarships
Attention: Womenetics
99 West Paces Ferry Rd NW
Suite 200
Atlanta, GA 30305

http://www.womenetics.com/2012-advancing-aspirations-global-scholarship