Attention: 218 SH Closure

Due to the International Studies Program Poster session & Graduation Reception, 218 SH will close at 12:00 PM on Friday, May 11th.

It will not re-open until Monday, May 14th. If you must speak with Karmen Berger this week, schedule an appointment before this time, or email her questions at karmen-berger@uiowa.edu!

Summer 2012 Session Dates

3 Week Courses: May 14th – June 1st, 2012
6 Week Courses: June 19th – July 27th, 2012
8 Week Courses: June 5th – July 27th, 2012

Summer 2012 Translation Course


Course dates: May 14th – June 1st, 2012

We've all heard the expression "lost in translation," but this course aims to discover what is gained by the act of translation. Students from all disciplines are welcome to come explore the role that translation plays across a variety of settings and subject areas.

We'll start out by asking questions, such as: What's the link between the languages we speak and the cultures we're raised in? What role has translation played historically? How many great books would be unavailable to us if we weren't able to read them in translation? And then we'll set about trying to answer those questions with a series of concrete case studies designed to both clarify and challenge our ideas of what translation can mean.

Through short reading assignments as well as exercises in both creative and critical writing, students will come to understand the potential for what translation can mean in a broad range of contexts—and just as importantly, students will come to find out that there's one thing that always holds true for translation: translators make meaning!
Suit Camp: A Boot Camp for your Job Search

Tuesday, May 15 (C230 PC)
1:00 PM – Resumes & Cover Letters: Don’t Sell Yourself Short
2:00 PM – Job Search Strategies
3:00 PM – Interviews: Making a Winning Impression

RSVP at http://careers.uiowa.edu – under Announcements!
An RSVP is NOT required to attend.

Can’t Make it?
Don’t miss Walk-In Resume Reviews & Questions
9:00 AM-4:00 PM Mon-Fri in C310 PC

Volunteers Needed!

More volunteers are always needed for the University of Iowa Center for Diversity and Enrichment’s (CDE) Pen Pal Program. This program helps to recruit talented students to the UI, especially Latino and Latina students, whose numbers have increased significantly over the past decade. Any UI student who is enrolled as a full-time student can volunteer for the program. UI students are required to be in the program for the academic year, and to write five letters from October to March once a month. UI students are also required to fill out an application form in order for CDE staff to match depending on their interest and/or hobbies. They try to find as many similarities as they can between their matches. For more information or to volunteer, contact Gabriela Rivera at 319-335-0570, send email to gabriela-rivera@uiowa.edu, or visit cde.uiowa.edu/index.php/penpal.html.

US Student Fulbright Grant Workshop

There will be a Fulbright U.S. Student Program workshop on Tuesday, May 8th, from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in International Commons, 1117 UCC, announcing the official opening of this year’s competition. Fulbright grants support a multitude of international possibilities, including research, graduate study, and teaching English. They will discuss the details of the upcoming 2013-14 competition, including this year’s countries and programs offered. Given that this workshop will open this year’s cycle, they will present information that was not covered during the March 28th workshop, so all interested students should attend. This event is open to all students, including undergraduate, graduate and professional students, and alumni. The workshop will feature specific details of UI campus application processes for both B.A.s and graduate students, with UI Fulbright advisors Karen Wachsmuth (International Programs) and Kelly Thornburg (Honors Program); UI Fulbright 2011-12 grantee Luke Juran, who will share his tips on the application process, including: 1) writing a successful proposal, 2) securing affiliations, 3) language preparation, and 4) IRB human subjects issues; and International Programs.

Please direct questions to: Karen Wachsmuth, Academic Programs and Student Services Administrator, International Programs, karen-wachsmuth@uiowa.edu, 319-335-1436.
Announcing: Weston Essay Prize Contest

The UICHR sponsors the annual Burns H. Weston International Human Rights Essay Prize. Each year, two awards are made: one to an undergraduate and another to a graduate or professional school student. The prizes honor the fine work of University of Iowa students and the lifetime work of Professor Burns H. Weston of the College of Law.

The winners receive $750 (undergraduate) or $1000 (graduate or professional student), and are recognized at an awards event. The writing competition is open to all students enrolled during the 2011-2012 school year at the University of Iowa, Iowa State, or the University of Northern Iowa in any academic discipline.

Undergraduate essays should be 15-20 pages in length; graduate essays 25-40 pages in length. Essays can discuss current events or history, law, public policy, or the arts & humanities. The essay does not need to be produced exclusively for the competition in order to qualify for review; the essay can be a paper written for a class. The only requirement is that the essays address issues of international human rights.

2012 Deadline for Submissions:
Friday, May 11, 2012.

The UICHR is currently accepting essays for the 2012 submission round. The review committee will make their decisions and announce the winners in September 2012.

Please submit essays along with the application materials to the UI Center for Human Rights (1120 University Capitol Centre) or send via campus mail to the Weston Essay Prize Committee, UI Center for Human Rights, 1120 University Capitol Centre.

Questions should be directed to uichr@uiowa.edu or Liz Crooks at (319) 335-3900.

Summer 2012 Conference: Settling Resettlement

Resettlement has long been one of the durable solutions for refugees. Most refugees are hosted and will remain in the world’s poorest countries that lack the necessary capacity. Northwestern University’s Center for Forced Migration Studies will hold its 2nd Annual Summer Institute, "Settling Resettlement".

Dates: July 8-14, 2012
Location: Evanston, IL

Scholarships and discounts are available. For additional information on the institute and registration information, see Center for Forced Migration Studies

Summer 2012 Delegation to Venezuela: Food Sovereignty

The delegation to Venezuela will examine issues of land reform, urban agriculture, rural development, fishing rights, and food sovereignty within a dynamic political context. Venezuela is an outstanding example of a country that strives to ensure its citizens’ right to food while bolstering its domestic agriculture sector, with an emphasis on sustainable agriculture. They will also explore other areas of social transformation, including education, healthcare, and direct citizen participation in the political process. Plus trips to beaches, parks, and other sites of interest.

When: July 16 to 26, 2012
Tentative Itinerary. Start and end in Caracas; visits to the states of Portuguesa, Barinas, Yaracuy, and the Amazon.

Cost for Activities: $1100
This will cover all lodging, all ground transportation, 2 meals per day, qualified trip leaders, and Spanish-English interpretation. Additional expenses during the trip will be minimal. Airfare not included.

To learn more email cbalbertolovera@gmail.com.

For more information, see: http://wp.me/puMTZ-6V