

Political Science and International Relations



Department

Research and Internships

With the semester well under way, you're probably beginning to think about course projects and term papers. If you're writing a longer paper this semester, consider submitting it to one of the undergraduate conferences listed in this newsletter. There are few substitutes for the sort of experience you can get by presenting your work to other scholars at a conference, and you can apply for funding to pay for your travel to and from the conference. Consult with your professor or advisor about whether your work is ready for the spotlight.

And don't forget that even though it may not look like it outside, summer *is* coming; make sure you spend it productively. This issue includes a number of internships and programs for which you can apply - don't miss the deadlines! And make sure your resume is up-to-date and clear by attending the Resume Writing Workshop (see the blurb to the left) later this month.

EVENTS

2/12

WEDNESDAY WORKSHOP

Volunteer Opportunities with
Anne Deutsch, 12:15-1:15, STL 18

2/19

WEDNESDAY WORKSHOP

Co-curricular Transcripts with
Erica Wagner, 12:15-1:15 SUB
62/63

2/26

WEDNESDAY WORKSHOP

Resume Writing with Christine
Daly, 12:15-1:15, SUB 62/63.

3/16 - 3/18

WASHINGTON DC TRIP

Reserve these dates! Travel to
DC with Professor Kassop!
Watch for details later this
spring.



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Conferences

Call for Papers



Internships



Alexander Elmasri

Class of 2014

For the Fall 2013 semester, I interned with the Program Department at the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) as part of the SUNY Global Engagement Program. CGI is an initiative of the Bill, Hillary and Chelsea Clinton Foundation that convenes global leaders to create and implement innovative solutions to the world's most pressing challenges. I began my internship by volunteering at the CGI Annual Meeting where I was able to sit-in on multiple sessions ranging from the Girls and Women Strategy Session to the Impact Investing Meeting. My responsibilities for the rest of the semester included helping the department develop the content and conducting research as well as the selection and recruitment of moderators and panelists for all CGI

events. I also edited and formatted memos for members of CGI as well as all three principles. The internship experience was very exhilarating and I learned a great deal about the logistics of managing major events such as the CGI annual meeting. I was also able to obtain a better understanding of how an international nongovernmental organization and foundation operates on both a day-to-day basis and the broader picture of their overall impact throughout the world.



Dilrupa Haque

Class of 2014

Dilrupa Haque is a senior in International Relations at SUNY New Paltz. Last fall through the Global Engagement Program, she interned at the International Institute for Humanitarian Affairs, a research and training center affiliated with Fordham University. The IIHA offers a professionalization opportunity through degrees for people with several years of experience in the field of humanitarian affairs. This internship was perfect for Dilrupa who wants to go into this field; she was able to see first-hand insights into the field of humanitarian affairs. The center offers great resources for those who are in the field of humanitarian affairs to professionalize through courses designed for people who are already in the field. Dilrupa confirmed that her future lies in this field through this internship

Summer Institutes

2014 NEW Leadership Institute

**2014 NEW Leadership™ New York Summer Institute
A Unique Opportunity at the Center for Women in
Government & Civil Society,**

<http://ih.constantcontact.com/fs086/1102609564483/img/17.gif>
Rockefeller College, University at Albany

Deadline: Friday, February 28, 2014!

The [Center for Women in Government & Civil Society](#) will be holding its 2014 NEW Leadership™ New York (NLNY) Wednesday, May 28th - Tuesday, June 3rd at the University at Albany campus.

The goals of NLNY are to strengthen policy knowledge and skills of undergraduate women, and invite them to become advocates for change. This intensive week-long summer program encourages leadership through action, and offers competitive mini grant awards for participants to create a campus and/or community engagement project.

NLNY is open to undergraduate women enrolled at New York State colleges and universities, and to New York State residents enrolled in colleges and universities outside of New York.

If you are an aspiring leader who is pursuing your undergraduate degree, this program is for you. The program is made available free of charge to all participants.

A copy of the application is available on the Center for Women in Government & Civil Society's website at www.albany.edu/womeningov/. Please send your completed application to Dr. Dina Refki at DRefki@albany.edu. Contact us at 518.442.5127 should you have any questions. We look forward to receiving your application.

Conferences

World Affairs Council

An excellent chance to participate in a local conference just across the river at Vassar College. All seminars will be run by students with help from faculty and professionals.

Contact Imane Bahji (ibahji16@gmail.com) for further information.

Scholarships

Theodore Gordon Flyfishers Founders Fund Scholarship



The Theodore Gordon Flyfishers, Inc. Founders Fund Scholarship

Application Deadline: April 1, 2014

Award Amount: \$3,500

The Theodore Gordon Flyfishers, Inc. and the Environmental Consortium of Colleges & Universities are pleased to announce the 2014 Theodore Gordon Flyfishers, Inc. Founders Fund Scholarship. This merit scholarship is offered annually, in the name of the TGF founders, to a single recipient who has demonstrated excellence and outstanding dedication in an area of study that falls within an environmental field of a school or department.

This scholarship is available to undergraduate students who will have senior standing as of Fall 2014, who will be enrolled, and who will continue to be enrolled during the award year (2014-2015 academic year), in a full-time four-year undergraduate degree at a [member institution](#) of the Environmental Consortium.

The eligible applicant's major shall be in an area of environmental studies such as, *but not limited to*, ecology, hydrology, conservation biology, natural resource management, zoology, or environmental law and policy. Based on a 4.0 scale, the applicant shall demonstrate merit with a current 3.5 GPA in the environmental concentration courses and an overall minimum 3.0 GPA.

Details and Application: <http://www.environmentalconsortium.org/resources/scholarships/tgf.html>

Inquiries: Environmental Consortium Office, info@environmentalconsortium.org or 914-773-3091.

Opportunities

The Bloomberg Aptitude Test



Think you might have a head for business? Put yourself on the map by scoring well on the Bloomberg Aptitude Test, which is given (free!) here at SUNY New Paltz three times this semester. Good scores on the B.A.T. often result in interviews with competitive firms nationwide. To find out more

about the exam, and to register, go to <http://about.bloomberginstitute.com/students/>.

The exam will be given at SUNY New Paltz on February 12 (VH 110 from 1-3pm); March 13, (VH 113, 6-8pm); and April 9, (VH 113, 4-6pm). For more information on the exam dates and times, go to the School of Business website: <http://www.newpaltz.edu/schoolofbusiness/events.cfm>

Conferences

Call for Papers: Illinois State University Conference for Students of Political Science

All undergraduate and graduate students are invited to submit papers for the twenty second annual Conference for Students of Political Science sponsored by the Illinois State University Department of Politics and Government.

Papers are welcome on any topic related to government and/or politics. All subfields and political perspectives are welcome. Panelists at the previous conferences included 850 students attending over 100 colleges and universities. The conference offers students the opportunity to present their research in panel sessions and to engage other students in discussions of each other's work.

If you are interested in participating in this exciting event, please complete the online proposal submission form or submit a cover letter, containing your contact information (including email address), your school, and the name of the faculty member with whom you are working, and a draft copy of your paper (or the actual paper) by **March 2, 2014**. Awards for best papers are funded by PI Sigma Alpha.

Conference website (and submission page): <http://pol.illinoisstate.edu/current/conferences/>

Conferences

Call for Papers: SUNY Oneonta Undergraduate Political Science Conference

Conference Date: Friday, March 14, 2014

Proposal Due Date: February 28th, 2014

Undergraduates are invited to submit papers for Oneonta's 6th Undergraduate Political Science Conference. Papers can be from political science or related fields on any topic related to politics and government. Papers should be approximately 10-20 pages in length and presentations approximately 20 minutes long.

We expect interesting presentations and interaction between students from throughout the northeast to be the centerpiece of the conference. Awards will be given for exceptional papers in each division.

Please submit a full draft of the paper to oneonta.polisci.conference@gmail.com. Please include the completed cover page available on the website listed below. Students will be notified of their acceptance by February 24th, 2013.

The conference is sponsored by the State University of New York at Oneonta Political Science Club and the Department of Political Science.

Have questions? Contact: Christina Wlodarczyk, Student Coordinator: wlocdw76@suny.oneonta.edu

Campus Events

Film Screening and Discussion



BETTER MUS' COME
 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014
 5:00PM-8:00PM
 LECTURE CENTER 100

Film Screening and Q&A with director Storm Saulter

Refreshments will be served

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 College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Campus Auxiliary Services, Department of Black Studies, Latin American & Caribbean Studies, The Center for International Programs, The Donsky Museum, Theatre Arts Department, Office of Academic Affairs.

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 Spring Semester 2014
 State University of New York at New Paltz
 Department of Black Studies

For more information contact:
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www.newpaltz.edu/blackstudies

All Films are Free and Open to the Public

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Internships

Orange County Municipal Planning Department



Created in 1974, The Orange County Municipal Planning Federation (OCMPF) is a county-wide organization that provides educational programs and information on the purposes and techniques of planning, including zoning, land use, subdivision, State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and other related subjects.

Each year the OCMPF sponsors a single paid summer internship position, to work in conjunction with the staff support provided by the Orange County Department of Planning. Generally, the intern will work on a selected

project or study chosen by the OCMPF, under supervision from staff at the Department of Planning; the internship concludes with a presentation of findings at the OCMPF Annual Meeting.

The Intern is also strongly encouraged to attend their local municipal land use board meetings throughout the internship. Generally, the OCMPF internship is configured as a full-time position (35 hours per week) lasting approximately six weeks, although this duration may vary given the type and nature of the work and the availability of the candidate.

Candidates Must:

1. Be a resident of Orange County, New York
2. Be enrolled in or pursuing a full-time degree in one of the following subjects / disciplines: Geography; Urban, Regional, or Community Planning; Urban Design and/or Landscape Architecture; Cartography / Geographic Information Systems (GIS); Civil Engineering and/or Surveying; Environmental Studies/Sciences; Public Administration; or a related field.

Resumes are accepted by mail or email (preferred) until April 4, 2014

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