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Students can now book appointments with Sociology Advisors using the online web tool:
https://my.atlas.illinois.edu/advising/

Just use the drop down calendar to find “Sociology Undergraduate Advising” and then select the Advisor and week you are looking for an appointment. Advising appointments that are available show up in green.

Come out and meet the new UNDERGRADUATE SOCIOLOGY ASSOCIATION!!
(formerly SOC Club)

They are having their first informational meeting on Tuesday, February 18 at 5 PM in 1000 Lincoln Hall.

They will be introducing the new executive board and information for beginning their new membership process. Along with the new information you will be able to meet new students in the same major or classes as you to connect you with a "study buddy".
Students of all majors and grades are more than welcome! Pizza and refreshments will be served.

Social Science Career Fair Preparation Events

How to Work a Career Fair – March 6 at 5:00PM in 1000 Lincoln Hall

All-Campus Career Fair – March 18, 1-5pm
Activities and Recreation Center (ARC)

Co-sponsored by the Departments of Sociology, Political Science, Communication, and The Career Center

NEW Leadership Illinois <http://igpa.uillinois.edu/pe/new-leadership>

This is an all-expenses paid, bi-partisan program that strives to educate and empower the next generation of female leaders. NEW Leadership Illinois challenges our brightest students to think critically and creatively about public policy and encourages them to make a commitment to public leadership early in their careers. The program includes leadership education, hands-on training in public policy, and networking opportunities with leaders from every level of government.

This year's program will be held June 2-6 in Chicago. Applications will be accepted until March 3, 2014.

Students from all backgrounds and in all majors are encouraged to apply. Students should attend a college or university in Illinois or should be an Illinois resident, and must have junior, senior or recent graduate standing in June 2014.

Scandinavian Studies Announcements

**Time to sign up for second 8-week courses Spring 2014!!**
Running March 17 – May 7, 2014

SCAN 215: Madness, Myth and Murder – Scandinavian prose fiction in English translation (same as CWL 215)
MWF, 1:00-2:50 PM, 3 credit hours

SCAN 494: Intro to Swedish Sign Language (meets with SHS 390)
MTWTh, 8:00-9:50 AM, 4 credit hours

**SAO-LAS: Stockholm Summer Artic Program 2014**

“Environment and Society in a Changing Arctic”
SCAN 386/GLBL 386/SESE 386
6 credits
Program Dates: June 2 – July 4

Study Abroad Office Application Deadline: March 1, 2014
In this intensive five-week program – for science and non-science students – program participants will learn about issues related to climate change and human presence in the Arctic from interdisciplinary perspectives. UIUC students participate together with students from KTH-Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm, Sweden and will spend two weeks in the Arctic. This year’s field sites will be located in Northern Sweden, with time spent in Kiruna, followed a stay in the Swedish mountains at the Tarfala Research Station, and ending with a stay at the Abisko Research Station near Lake Torne Träsk. 

Applicants must have junior status or consent of the instructor.

Program contacts:
Jonathan Tomkin, Associate Director, School of Earth, Society, and Environment (tomkin@illinois.edu)

Alison Anders, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Geology (amanders@illinois.edu)

Kristen Stout, Study Abroad Office Advisor for programming in mainland Europe (kmstrom2@illinois.edu)

Apply to the program at the following address:
https://app.studyabroad.illinois.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=10859

Sponsored by the Study Abroad Office, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Scandinavian Studies, European Union Center, Global Studies, Earth Society & Environment and INSPIRE.

Join us for Swedish Conversation Group and Coffee Hour Thursdays!
2:30-3:30 PM
(Runs from January 30 through May 1; excluding March 13, 27)
Philippson Library, 3114 Foreign Languages Building

Mark your calendars for these Spring 2014 lectures:

Colloquium: “Constructing Jerusalem at Vadstena (Sweden): Creating a Symbolic Space through Text, Architecture and Paraliturgical Devotions”
Thursday February 27, 5:00 PM in Lucy Ellis Lounge, FLB 1080
Michelle Urberg, Music, University of Chicago. Colloquium organized by Medieval Studies at UIUC.

Lecture: "The Trouble with Stars - Global vs. Vernacular Stardom in Two Forms of European Popular Culture" 
Thursday March 6 at 5:15 PM in Lucy Ellis Lounge, FLB 1080
Dr. Olof Hedling, Lund University, Fulbright Hildeman Visiting Scholar in the Scandinavian Program, U. of I.

Lecture: "Fictionalizations of a Welfare State Sex Scandal: The Re-telling of Historical Events and Call Girl (2012)"
Thursday April 3 at 5:15 PM in Lucy Ellis Lounge, FLB 1080
Dr. Mariah Larsson, Stockholm University, EUC and MACS Visiting Scholar and INSPIRE fellow.
Chicago Teaching Fellows <http://tinyurl.com/ChicagoTeachingFellows> trains accomplished professionals and recent college graduates to become exceptional, certified teachers for the Chicago students who need them most. It’s an honor and a tremendous responsibility, which is why we hold the highest standards of effectiveness of any teacher preparation program in America.

Do you have what it takes to join this elite group of educators? Apply here <http://tinyurl.com/ChicagoTeachingFellows> – our next application deadline is Monday, February 24th. Have questions? Contact Carmen at carmen.orozco@tntp.org <mailto:carmen.orozco@tntp.org>

HORT 199, Sustainability in the Home Landscape, is a new 2 credit hour class meeting Tues. and Thursday, 6 pm – 8 pm in the second half of the semester.

Saturday, February 15
East Asian Festivals Celebration: Lunar New Year, Setsubun, Daeboreum, and Lantern Festival
Time: 4 – 6 p.m.
Place: Asian American Cultural Center,
1210 West Nevada Street.
Please see the attached flyer.

Write an Essay in Your Second Language (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian or Spanish).

Winners will be sponsored to participate in a Global Youth Forum to take place June 25-29, 2014 at the United Nations in New York City.

June 2014 marks the 70th Anniversary of the United Nations and as part of the United Nations Academic Impact global initiative we are pleased to announce a global essay contest. Winning essayists will be invited to come to New York City for the 2014 Many Languages, One World Global Youth Forum. Accommodations and meals will be provided on the campus of Adelphi University located in Garden City, New York.

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ELS Educational Services, Inc. (ELS) and the United Nations Academic Impact global initiative are working together to promote multilingualism through the Many Languages, One World Essay Competition and Global Youth Forum. The goal is to promote multilingualism and the continued study of the United Nations’ six official languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish. To qualify, entries must be in an official language of the United Nations that is not the entrant’s first language or language of instruction in his or her primary or secondary education.

“Our collaboration focuses on two of the priorities of the Secretary-General, one being youth and the other multiculturalism, and this is a wonderful way of bringing those two together,” said Peter Launsky-Tieffenthal, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information of the United Nations, following the signing ceremony launching the contest.

“We are determined to make peace and to look at ways to enhance the qualities of life, health, and spiritual fulfillment of peoples around the world through common understanding achieved through dialogue, through a language spoken in common,” said Mark W. Harris, CEO and President of ELS, who will provide sponsorship for the event.
Ten winners will be selected for each of the six official UN languages for a total of sixty—those 60 essay competition winners will be invited to New York where they will attend the UN Many Languages, One World Global Youth Forum. ELS will sponsor travel, room and meals for each of the contest winners to come to New York, from June 25-29, 2014 to participate in a conference to discuss principles of the UN Academic Impact and formulate action plans to address global issues. This interaction between speakers of many languages will demonstrate the benefits of multilingualism and multinational collaborative dialogue as part of the United Nations Academic Impact.

Essay contest winners will attend a conference at Adelphi University and will present the action plan outcomes of that dialogue at the United Nations Headquarters on June 27th. During the Global Youth Forum each language group will develop an action plan in support of selected principles of the United Nations Academic Impact initiative. The delegates will also have the opportunity to interact with student linguists from the USA and other countries who composed the winning essays. They will stay in student housing and share meals on the Adelphi campus located in lovely Garden City, New York and will also be taken on a tour of New York City.

Many Languages, One World
Essay Contest Eligibility and Qualifications:

1. Students 18 years of age and older who are currently enrolled in a full-time program of study at a college or university are eligible to compete to win a place as a delegate to the Conference and Global Youth Forum.

2. The contestants must write their essay in one of the six official languages of the United Nations: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian or Spanish. Entries must be in an official language of the United Nations that is not the entrant’s first language or language of instruction in his or her primary or secondary education.

3. The essay, not to exceed 2000 words, should explore: How multilingual ability advances global citizenship and understanding. The essay should reflect the entrant’s academic, cultural and national context.

4. Each entrant must be sponsored by a faculty member or university official. Upon completion of the reference form, the student will receive an email with information on how to enter and upload their essay to the contest website.

5. The deadline for essay submissions is February 21, 2014.

Full competition details, including forms for entry and submission, are available at http://ManyLanguagesOneWorld.ELS.edu

We ask that you please forward this in particular to your language departments and we would appreciate if you would distribute this to the International Admissions and International students office and any and all department heads. Please feel free to post this information on University websites, newsletters, and other appropriate means of University communication.
Please click on this link to access a flier promoting this opportunity: www.ELS.edu/MLOWflier

Thank you very much for your institutional support, and for your ongoing efforts in support of multilingualism.

Hoping to see some essays from students nominated by your institution!

Open Position for U.S.PIRG

As a graduating senior, you are no doubt trying to decide what you will do next year, or even for the next 5 years. Consider applying for U.S.PIRG’s Campus Organizer position.

Every day, powerful people are making decisions that affect our health, our safety and our future. We’re taught these decisions should be based on the public interest: that’s how a government of the people, by the people, and for the people is supposed to work.

Yet in the real world, on issue after issue, we see powerful interests corrupting the democratic process, twisting public policy to serve their own ends, all too often at the public's expense.

How do you counter those powerful interests? The Student PIRGs are mobilizing America’s college students to take action. Our organizers are headed to 40 college campuses across the country, where they will recruit, train and work alongside thousands of student activists. Together we'll go beyond studying the issues; we'll document the problems, find practical solutions, inform the public and make the case directly to decision-makers. And when powerful special interests stand in the way, we'll mobilize the student body, the local citizens and as many other people as it takes to make our voices heard in city halls, state capitols, Congress, the White House or wherever it will make a difference.

Take a look at what some of our organizers have been doing this year:

Kat Lockwood, organizer at UC Santa Barbara, recruited 150 students to attend a campaign kick-off event and launched a campaign for “A million clean cars” in California. Throughout the semester Kat and the students she worked with were able to generate over 2,000 petitions in support of more clean cars and get the issue highlighted in 6 media outlets in the area.

In Massachusetts, Campus Organizer Matt Wellington worked with students at UMass Lowell to build support for an update to the state’s most effective recycling program. He recruited dozens of students, and they collected over 4,500 petition signatures. Students across the state generated over 31,000 petition signatures out of the 130,000 the coalition delivered to the Attorney General to put the Updated Bottle Bill on the ballot and take a giant step toward reducing waste and litter.

When PIRG Campus Organizers fight for the public, we stand up to some of America's most powerful special interests, from Wall Street to Big Oil, from the Auto Industry to Super PACs. We're the Davids; they're the Goliaths. When we work hard, work smart and work together, we can overcome the most powerful opposition and win concrete results that improve the lives of thousands, sometimes millions, of people.
I’m a 2007 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Alumna and when I was getting ready to graduate I knew I wanted to put my political science degree to use and make the world a better place, but I didn’t know what kind of job or career would enable me to make the biggest impact. When I heard about U.S. PIRG and how they tackle our country’s biggest problems by mobilizing millions of people across the country, I was excited. As a campus organizer at UC Davis I recruited and trained over 400 students how to effectively organize campaigns to register their peers to vote, build support for clean energy legislation, and .

So join us. Apply now to be a U.S.PIRG Campus Organizer. www.uspirg.org/apply
<http://www.uspirg.org/apply>

We will be holding an information session and interviews on campus on Tuesday, February 18 and Wednesday, February 19. I encourage you to come find out more!

For more information check out our website, or send me an email at mhowe@pirg.org.

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Upcoming day-long leadership program, IMPRINT!

What will you learn at Imprint?
· The skills necessary to network effectively!
· The importance of mentoring!
· How to transition effectively from school into a career!

Who will be at Imprint?
· 30 alumni representing each college from a variety of professional backgrounds are coming to campus to serve as leadership coaches for the weekend!

Why should you attend Imprint?
· Build upon your leadership skills!
· Prepare for your future career!
· Gain valuable insight from current professionals!

When is Imprint?
· March 1, 2014

How can you register?
· Follow this link <http://www.illinoisleadership.illinois.edu/_auth/login.asp>
  o Log in with your UIUC credentials
  o Click “I-programs on the left”
  o Select “Imprint”

The program is free and food will be provided.

We recommend this program to upper classmen (Juniors and Seniors), as the program focuses on transitioning from college into a career!

We hope to see you there!