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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.

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**Attention Seniors!!**

You should have received a detailed letter via email regarding convocation earlier this week! Please read the letter and share it with your family. The Sociology, Anthropology and Interdisciplinary Studies Convocation will be held Sunday May 18th this year from 1 - 2:30pm at Foellinger Auditorium. Doors open at noon. A more detailed email with instructions for graduates will follow. You must sign up for the ceremony online: http://www.las.illinois.edu/students/graduation/convocation/socanthint/
You must also rent your cap and gown (regalia):
http://www.las.illinois.edu/students/graduation/convocation/instructions/socanthint/

Sociology will also be hosting a graduation celebration for you and your loved ones immediately following the graduation ceremony -- you will receive an evite to this event, please respond if you plan to attend!

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Sociology Internship Stipend/ Award
$1500 stipend for Sociology Undergraduates
Awarded for Students participating in Summer internships in 2014 who also enroll in SOC 400 in Summer Session II.

Application Criteria:
• Must have secured an internship by application due date.
• Sociology Sophomore standing or higher.
• Overall GPA of 2.5 minimum/ Sociology GPA of 2.5 minimum.
• 6 hours of Sociology completed by end of spring 2014.

Application will include:
1. Essay (500-750 words) that describes how your internship builds on your Sociology background, knowledge and skills.
2. Internship description – to be provided by the organization or business.
3. A one page letter of support from the internship supervisor which includes a brief description of your goals for the intern and the supervisory relationship you envision.
4. A brief description of how the funds will be used (travel to internship, living expenses during internship, tuition for SOC 400, etc.).

Applications Due: Friday, April 25, 2013 – 5pm
Please submit all application materials to: holtzcla@illinois.edu, attn. SOC Internship Award Application

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A Taste of Language event

Are you or your students interested in exploring a new language but don’t have time? Do you want to share your native language with others? Come to the second annual Taste of Language event! The Taste of Language is designed as a networking event for students, staff, and faculty. Attendees will participate in two short language classes (25 minutes each) teaching basic introductions to various languages. This year’s participating languages are Mandarin Chinese, Kazakh, Zulu, Korean, Portuguese, Wolof, Turkish, Arabic and Diné (Navajo). This is a great event to attend if you are interested in language, or just improving your conversational English!

Thursday, April 3 from 6-8 pm in the basement classrooms of the University YMCA.

This event is hosted by International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) as part of International Week at Illinois, March 31-April 6.
Study social movement organizing in Chiapas, Mexico with the Mexico Solidarity Network this June 2014. You get 6 credits for 4 weeks of studying the theory and practice of social movements with MSN and Spanish or Tzotzil with the Oventic Language School.

http://www.mexicosolidarity.org/programs/oventiclanguageschool

A VISIT WITH THOMAS GOKEY

"Is It Moral To Pay Back Your Student Loans?"
Thursday, April 3 at 7PM
Latzer Hall at the University YMCA
1001 S. Wright, Champaign

"Dreaming Beyond the Rolling Jubilee"
Towards a Debt Strike and Global Jubilee"
Friday, April 4 at 12 Noon
Latzer Hall at the University YMCA
1001 S. Wright, Champaign

THE CAREER CENTER
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA CHAMPAIGN
STUDENT SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Type of Position: Summer Internship May 12th - August 8th, 2014
Approximately 20-25 hours weekly from 12 pm - 5 pm, Monday – Friday

Description:
The Career Center (TCC) is seeking two energetic and customer oriented summer interns for 2014. The Career Center is the primary point of contact for all students regarding professional development. The internship focuses on providing direct contact to thousands of incoming students and parents while working alongside TCC staff in designing and creating best outreach methods for current students. The intern will have the ability to work on both small and large projects as well as receive ongoing personalized, professional development help from TCC staff.

General Duties:
- Provide assistance to visitors in The Career Resource Center
- Assist students by providing one-on-one resume and cover letter critiques
- Complete various projects as assigned by The Career Center staff

Specific Duties:
- Present The Career Centers services and resources to all incoming students and parents during Summer Orientation Resource Fair.
- Provide assistance to visitors in The Career Center as the primary point of contact during the lunch hour.
- Interact directly with customers by telephone, email and face to face.
• Create a new career based “Bulletin Board” for use in the residence halls.
• Design and develop innovative methods to reach students.
• Meet regularly with supervising Assistant Director of Academic & Campus Outreach.
• Perform other duties as assigned by the TCC staff.

Qualifications:
Interns must have outstanding customer service skills. Candidates must be energetic and willing to work with TCC staff, students, parents, and others as necessary. He/she must have strong verbal and written communication skills. These positions require strong organizational skills and the ability to work in a collaborative environment. Interns must be able to use Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint. Strong candidates will have experience presenting career based services and resources.

Compensation:
$8.75 hourly

Application Procedure:
Application deadline is Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 5:00 pm
Interested candidates will need to submit a resume, cover letter, and a brief 250 word writing sample on "How does this position fit into your personal and professional goals?"

Amanda Cox
Assistant Director
The Career Center
715 S. Wright Street, MC-383
Champaign, IL. 61820

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The 2014 Illinois Pre-Health Day is quickly approaching on March 29, 2014 at the University of Illinois! Students, advisors and admissions representatives from across the state have begun to register for the event, and we are looking forward to an informative and productive day for all. We share this information again for a few reasons. First, to ask that you share the information below with students as the list of participating programs has grown. We also want to encourage you to register your attendance if you have not done so already.

To those of you who have already registered—thank you! We are excited to have you join us.

To those of you who have not yet registered—we hope that you will be able to join us! Please share this announcement with colleagues who may be interested in participating. For more information, and for a link to registration, please visit the 2014 Illinois Pre-Health Day website <http://ilprehealthday.wordpress.com/>

Below you will see an updated list of the participating schools or programs.

* Illinois College of Optometry
* Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine
* Midwestern University

* Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Bernadette So (bernaso@illinois.edu) or myself (candleis@uic.edu).

Thank you and have a wonderful weekend!

Scholarship Opportunities

Are you a potential applicant for a prestigious scholarship? Do aspire to pursue graduate study at a world-class institution? Do you display leadership and/or participate in service? Do you conduct independent studies or research? Do you go beyond course requirements? Do you maintain a high GPA of 3.5+?

If you fit this description, attend an information session designed to enhance your candidacy as a potential Beinecke, Churchill, Fulbright, Gates Cambridge, Goldwater, Luce, Marshall, Mitchell, Rhodes, Truman, or Udall Scholar.

All sessions will be held in room 514 in the Campus Center for Advising and Academic Services at 807 South Wright Street (Illini Union Bookstore Building).
Freshmen & Sophomores
Wednesday, April 9 - 5-5:30pm
Friday, April 11 - 1:30-2pm; 2-2:30pm; 3:30-4pm or 4-4:30pm
Tuesday, April 15 - 1:30-2pm; 2-2:30pm; 3:30-4pm or 4:30-5pm

Juniors, Seniors & Grad Students
Monday, March 31 - 1:30-2pm; 2-2:30pm; 3:30-4pm; 4-4:30pm
Tuesday, April 1 - 1:30-2pm; 2-2:30pm; 3:30-4pm or 4-4:30pm

For further information, contact the National & International Scholarships Program,
topscholars@illinois.edu or 217-333.4710.

The student tutors are available for general assistance on economics courses or economics related questions, primarily for ECON 102, 103, 202, 203, 302 and 303 (some of the 400s). Students should visit their Instructors or TAs with questions specific to classes, such as due dates, tests, etc. (most Econ classes have numerous TA Office hours).

Econ Tutoring Center
DKH Room 17A (basement level)

Monday: 11am-4:30pm
Tuesday: 3:30-5:30pm
Wednesday: 12-5:30pm
Thursday: 1:30-5:30pm

We will have extended hours on Reading Day and other peak periods.

Impact issues that matter this summer with the Fund!

The Fund for the Public Interest is a national non-profit organization that works to build support for progressive organizations across the country. We run campaigns for the Human Rights Campaign, USPIRG, and Environment America. This summer we will be in over 50 cities, working and lobbying to help win environmental and social justice campaigns.

Last summer our staff helped ban off-shore drilling to protect our coasts, repeal Don’t Ask Don’t Tell, and increase food safety standards to make school lunches safer - all while building valuable leadership skills.

Currently, we have paid positions open on our campaign staff in each of our locations. We require that interested candidates are hard workers and have excellent communication skills.

As a member of our staff, you will fundraise, build membership for our partner groups, and educate and activate citizens on pressing issues. You will also have the opportunity to organize press conferences and build coalitions with other non-profit organizations. While on staff, you gain knowledge of pressing concerns our country is facing, learn how to effectively generate public support, and obtain a firm understanding of the political process.
We will be holding information sessions and interviews at the University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign on the 10th through the 12th of March at 10am, 2pm, 4pm, and 6pm. The 10am, 2pm, and 4pm sessions will be held in the Career Center in room 616E, and all 6pm sessions will be held in Lincoln hall room 1090.

To apply, please visit [www.JobsThatMatter.org](http://www.jobsforgoodcauses.org/) or call 1-800-75-EARTH (753-2784). Or fill out this Information Request Form <http://bit.ly/UtGJYq> to receive more information.

The Hizmet Movement and Solutions to Today’s Problems

The Hizmet Essay Contest is a contest series that encourages research on the Hizmet movement and Fethullah Gulen. The contest aims to motivate individuals to research the works of Fethullah Gulen and the activities of various Hizmet institutions locally and globally, with the purpose of addressing how the Hizmet movement contributes to the individual, the community, society and the world in general.

The Hizmet movement, which derives its name from the word “service”, has established hundreds of educational and civic service organizations and institutions in over 140 countries, active in the areas of peacebuilding, conflict resolution, intercultural-interfaith dialogue, education, media and relief work. These organizations and institutions engage in various initiatives that foster inclusiveness, build community capacity, and create shared spaces.

Topic

The theme of this year’s essay contest is:

“*The Hizmet Movement and Solutions to Today’s Problems*”

The contestants are asked to evaluate the societal impact of the activities of the Hizmet movement and the ideas of Fethullah Gulen in solving the societal problems at the local, national or international levels.

Essayists are encouraged to focus on the following two topic areas:

1. Specific Focus: How activities of the Hizmet movement, in areas of peacebuilding; interfaith and intercultural dialogue; education; relief work; and other initiatives of Hizmet movement organizations and institutions in different parts of the world such as United States, Turkey, the Balkans, Central Asia, Middle East, Africa and Australia, contribute to the improvement of these societies.

2. Conceptual focus: How teachings and writings of Fethullah Gulen lay the foundation of the Hizmet Movement’s initiatives and hence contribute to producing solutions to societal issues.

Rules

1. Essays must be no fewer than 3000, and no more than 4000, words in length. (Citations and bibliography are not included in the word count).

2. The essays must be double spaced.

3. One entry per person. Essays must be submitted by August 1st, 2014, no later than 11:59 PM, Eastern Standard Time. The Rumi Forum has the right to change the contest deadline when deemed appropriate.

4. Essays must be the original work of entrant and must be owned by entrant. Plagiarism will result in disqualification. Essays must not infringe on any third party rights or intellectual property of any person, company, or organization. By submitting an essay to this Contest, the entrant agrees to indemnify the
Rumi Forum for any claim, demand, judgment, or other allegation arising from possible violation of someone’s trademark, copyright, or other legally protected interest in any way in the entrant’s essay.

5. All submitted essays will become the property of the Rumi Forum.
6. Awardees will be notified via e-mail by September 30th, 2014. The Rumi Forum reserves the right to change the notification date.

*Entrants must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program that awards Bachelor’s, Master’s, or Doctoral Degrees. Both full-time and part-time students may apply.
*Open only to US Citizens and lawful residents of the US.
*We encourage students of all backgrounds and ability to participate in this contest.

There will be 2 student categories:
Undergraduate prize: $1500
Graduate prize: $2000

Please register your interest via the link below. Further details and updates will be sent to those registered. Registration is important and should be considered the first step. There is no fee or cost to register or submit an essay.
Register Here <http://rumiforum.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ee9cbfee6c604085055350b93&id=7102904c8e&e=8fbf08a40e>

For queries please email info@rumiforum.org with “Hizmet Essay Competition” in the SUBJECT line.

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