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**Fall Sociology Undergraduate Open House**

September 4th: 3-5pm; Room 3057 Lincoln Hall

Meet, Greet, and Mingle with Current and Prospective Sociology Majors, Faculty, and Meet the New Sociology Head! Learn about upcoming events including the Internship Fair, the Sociology Club, Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociology Honors Society) and more! All Sociology Students and Prospective students welcome! Refreshments will be served!

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**Sociology Internship Fair**

Mark your Calendar! September 27 – 1-3pm; Room 3057 Lincoln Hall. The Sociology Internship Fair returns! Polish up your resume, practice your elevator pitch! More information in weeks to follow...

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Availability in Sociology Courses

Check out these great courses with open seats available. Please note, for courses with seat restrictions, restrictions will be lifted on Monday, August 26th:

SOC 100 Intro to Sociology
SOC 162 Intro to Intl Health Policy
SOC 261 Gender in a Transnatl Persp
SOC 350 Technology and Society
SOC 367 Globalization Dynamics Debates
SOC 373 Social Stratification
SOC 380 Social Research Methods
SOC 470 Social Movements
SOC 483 Mid East Societies & Cultures
SOC 485 Intermediate Statistics

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KU Leuven-Illinois Experience: Encountering Europe through the Lens of Social Science

Study Abroad Program
Application Deadline: 9/15/2013

Program Description

In collaboration with the University of Leuven (KU Leuven), the University of Illinois has developed a study abroad program in Leuven, Belgium that provides you with unique intercultural learning opportunities across the social sciences and humanities. European and US students participate in common classes and curriculum as you explore the social and demographic transitions that accompany and underpin globalization. You will select courses from multiple academic pathways, ranging from social science specializations to a broader multidisciplinary experience across the humanities, business, and communication. You can study abroad on the KU Leuven-Illinois Experience during fall or spring semester. Spring students will also enroll in a core course on family dynamics and population change. This program is available in both the fall and spring semesters.

For additional information, please visit the following link:

https://app.studyabroad.illinois.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=10839
**Pre-Law Orientations**

Pre-Law Orientations will be held September 19, October 7, and November 4 this fall. These workshops are designed for incoming students or continuing students who are new to pre-law. We will provide an overview of the profile of a successful law school candidate, discuss short and long term goals for pre-law students, and share information about what students can do now to make law school a reality. We will also discuss how to select coursework and extracurriculars for maximum impact. Students should register at [www.prelaw.illinois.edu](http://www.prelaw.illinois.edu) by clicking on “Event Calendar” and selecting an Orientation that best suits their schedule. Each session is the same.

All of our other fall events are now posted on our event calendar at [http://illinois.edu/calendar/list/2508](http://illinois.edu/calendar/list/2508) as well.

**Call for English Department Teaching Award Nominations**

Each year the English department gives out a number of undergraduate teaching awards to instructors deemed excellent by their students, and so we’re inviting all undergraduates who have taken courses in English, Rhetoric, Creative Writing, or Film (as long as these courses are taught through the English department) to nominate one or more of their favorite teachers (graduate TAs, instructors, lecturers, and professors are all eligible for nomination). The process is quick and easy, and you can nominate more than one person. You will just need to tell us what course you took with the nominee, when you took it, and why you think this person is worthy of an award.

We have paper nomination forms in the English advising office (EB 200) or you can submit your nomination online at:

[https://apps.atlas.illinois.edu/FormBuilderSurvey/Survey/LAS/English/Undergraduate_Teaching_Award_Nominations/Survey](https://apps.atlas.illinois.edu/FormBuilderSurvey/Survey/LAS/English/Undergraduate_Teaching_Award_Nominations/Survey)

The deadline for this awards cycle is Friday, September 27. If you have any questions about the process, please contact [englishadvising@illinois.edu](mailto:englishadvising@illinois.edu).

**Provost’s Undergraduate Student Advisory Board**

2013-2014 School Year

Description
Established in 2007, the Provost’s Undergraduate Student Advisory Board is overseen by the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. It is composed of undergraduate students named by each of the undergraduate serving colleges as well as five at-large members selected through this open application process. All members are appointed to serve one-year terms.

Meetings

In Fall 2013, the Board will meet for discussion from 12:00 – 1:00 pm on Wednesday, October 2 and Friday, November 1. A buffet lunch will be provided. Dates for the Spring 2014 meetings will be determined at a later date.

Mission

The purpose of the Provost’s Undergraduate Student Advisory Board is to work with the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost to:

Provide feedback on programs, administrative and academic policies, and initiatives established or overseen by the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Innovation.

Generate ideas and suggestions for programs and activities to enhance the academic experience of undergraduate students at the university.

Qualifications

* Undergraduate student standing for the 2013-2014 school year.
* Interest in academic affairs initiatives and activities on campus.
* Strong record of academic achievement (GPA 3.0 or above).
* Involvement on campus both in academic and extracurricular activities.

Application Process

Interested undergraduate students are encouraged to submit an application. Successful applicants will be notified and may be scheduled for an interview. Applications must be received no later than September 13, 2013.

Questions about the Provost’s Undergraduate Student Advisory Board may be directed to Assistant Provost Kristi Kuntz, 333-6677 or kakuntz@illinois.edu.

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Live, Learn and Intern in DC with Illinois in Washington.

Come learn more about this academic internship program where you can take U of I classes while interning in Washington, DC. Deadline for spring term applications is October 1. Information sessions:
Tuesday, September 10, Noon to 1 pm at the Career Center Conference Room or 6 to 7 pm at 1064 Lincoln Hall. Visit: www.washington.illinois.edu.

Questions? Contact Susan Halebsky Dimock, PhD, Interim Director, Illinois in Washington, 703-946-0806 (c), sdimock@illinois.edu
www.washington.illinois.edu

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Seeking SOAR Tutors

The SOAR after-school program will actually start before September 27, so if you know of any Sociology students who might be interested in volunteering this semester could you share the following information with them already?

SOAR http://education.illinois.edu/smallurban/soar

SOAR is an after-school tutoring program that supplements the efforts of classroom educators by providing literacy support to Latina(o) students in grades 2-5. Most of the families of the children are recent immigrants from Mexico or Guatemala. Due to language barriers, many of the parents have difficulty helping their children progress with English language learning and with reading and homework in their homes. Furthermore, most families cannot afford fee-based tutoring. Through SOAR, the children receive one-on-one support from university volunteer tutors. Besides serving as tutors, the university students become mentors and role models as they establish close positive relationships with the children. In addition, the children see opportunities for possibilities available to them in the future.

SOAR operates from 3:00-4:00 Tuesdays through Thursdays at Garden Hills Elementary School (2001 Garden Hills Dr., Champaign). Volunteers are asked to commit one day a week for the duration of the semester to work individually with a child. Spanish-speaking skills are only necessary if working with a 2nd grader. Interested volunteers should contact Lila Moore at Lfmoore@illinois.edu or tutor@education.illinois.edu for additional information or to sign up for ONE of the following orientations sessions:

SOAR Orientation Sessions for New Tutors
Please attend ONE of the following sessions:
3:00-4:00 p.m. September 10,11, OR 12
Rm. 192, College of Education Building on UI Campus (1310 S. Sixth St.)

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Crisis Line Volunteer Training

Develop new skills.
Gain experience
Help others in need.

What do volunteers do?
a. help with various situations, including assistance with information, depression, social support, and suicide prevention.
b. receive ongoing supervision and consultation from mental health professionals.
c. gain training with active listening, risk assessment for depression and suicide, relationships, community resources and referrals.

Call Crisis Line Coordinator at 373-2430 ext. 2190 or email at bgay@communityelements.org

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Internship Opportunity: Office of Undergraduate Admissions

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions is seeking highly-motivated interns to assist the office with the recruitment and enrollment of prospective undergraduate students. Our campus receives approximately 38,000 undergraduate applications on an annual basis and welcomes over 35,000 visitors to campus each year. We expect our interns to work in a professional environment up to 20 hours per week during the academic semester. Additional hours may be available at an hourly rate. Main duties would include answering emails and phone calls from prospective students, parents and counselors. Some advising duties would be included. In addition, interns will be expected to review undergraduate applications, including an assessment of academic credentials as well as evaluating essays and activities/involvement. A research project may be assigned pertaining to undergraduate recruitment and/or admission trends.

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions includes many units such as Campus Visits, Summer Registration, Application Processing, Course Articulation, and School Relations. If an intern has a particular interest in one of our units, we would welcome tailoring the internship to allow experience in that area in addition to the main duties described above. Not only can our internships lead to a permanent position within the admissions field, but interns will develop skills to increase their portfolio in other high-demand careers, such as advising, marketing, financial aid, student affairs and/or enrollment management.

The primary contact for prospective interns is:

Stacey Kostell

Assistant Provost and Director of Undergraduate Admissions

Office of Undergraduate Admissions

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Urbana, IL 61801

Phone: (217) 333.0302

Email: skostell@illinois.edu
Now Hiring: Student Activist Interns

Illinois PIRG, the statewide consumer group, is looking for talented student activists to join our team of interns this fall on our Health Insurance 101 Campaign.

Right now, we’re uninsured, or we’re starting to think about what to do when we lose our current insurance through our parents’ or the college health plan. While we aren’t sure what to do next, we know that not being insured could mean trouble. Getting hurt in an accident or getting seriously ill can mean getting stuck with huge medical debt or going broke.

With the right knowledge, we can confidently make informed decisions about health insurance. Beginning in October, we’ll have new options and tools to get a better deal on health insurance. Young people, along with the overall population, remain largely unaware of the new coverage options. In addition, they are skeptical about coverage, and under-confident about how to look for insurance.

We need a team of interns to reach them where they are – online and in-person – and communicate the good factual information about how to make the most of newly available health insurance options.

As an intern, you’ll learn how to recruit and train teams of volunteers, organize events on campus, and work with the media! You'll make a big impact on this issue, and many of our interns have been eligible for earning course credit.

Check out our website for more information and to apply online: www.studentpirgs.org/internships

Health Professions RSO Fair

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 4th
Time: 5-7pm
Location: SDRP (Ikenberry Commons) MP 2025 A&B

Students will have the opportunity to:
Meet with representatives from health-related registered student organizations (RSOs)
Connect with health-related community organizations
Learn about services available at The Career Center for students pursuing a healthcare career
Light refreshments will be served!

Contact Taisha Mikell at tdmikell@illinois.edu for more information.
Sociology Advising Hours

Walk in Hours:

M-F: 1-2:30

We will have limited walk in hours going forward – please email soc-advising@illinois.edu to set up an appointment with an advisor.

Beginning in Fall 2012, we will be utilizing our walk in hours and appointments for distinct purposes – please pay attention to the following when determining which is the appropriate type of appointment for you:

Walk in appointments will include:

- Late Add forms
- Add/drop forms
- Minor forms
- Late Course Add/ Section Change/ Credit Change Forms
- Minor Modification Forms
- Major Plans of Study Modification Form
- Independent Study Form

Appointments will cover:

- Satisfactory Appeal Progress Forms (Financial Aid)
- Major Plans of Study
- Course Selection/ Schedule
- Post-Graduation Discussions (career/ graduate school)
- Opportunities for student involvement in RSOs, SOC CLUB, AKD
- Study Abroad