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Wouldn't you just like to get away?



Didn't get into ENGL 250?

There will be a survey in your INTD classes, inquiring about ENGL 250 for the Spring. The survey will determine if students would benefit from an additional section. Be sure to give your name to the INTD Facilitator if you are interested in the course.

Attention: December 2006 Graduates

If you haven't done so already, please submit the Honors graduation forms ASAP. Only students with signed Honors graduation forms ("Honors Final Plan of Study" and "Thesis Plan" will be listed in the Commencement booklet. Please contact Patty Szarek with questions at patricia.szarek@uconn.edu

Attention: May / August 2007 Graduates

Your senior year is well underway and it's time to prepare for graduation. The first of the graduation forms that are required for Honors Scholar graduation, the "Honors Final Plan of Study", is due **December 1**. It is a good time to get your advisor's signature while you are meeting with her/him regarding for Spring 2007 registration. In addition, you should check out the Honors Graduation Checklist for important information on forms, deadlines, and other important items regarding Honors graduation.

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Registration for Spring 2007 starts soon! [Click here for more details!](#)

HONORS CORE CURRICULUM for 2007 : "NATURE TRANSFORMED!" Students consider one of the Honors Core Curriculum courses designed specifically for Honors students!

Why not take an Honors Core Curriculum course? Courses designed from the ground up just for Honors students! Fulfilling gen-ed requirements and giving you Honors credits toward your Sophomore Certificate! [Click here for more information!](#)

Anth 295, 001 and 004 (honors) Anthropology of Global Music with professor Michelle Bigenho is just one of the many exciting courses being offered in Spring '07 for Honors Students; register now!

INTD 298: Controversial Social Issues
Professor Langlois from Economics will be the instructor, but this will not be an economics course. There are NO prerequisites, and all students are eligible. Registration will be by consent of the instructor. You must complete an application form. Only 12 students will be selected. The course will be taught on Wednesdays from 2 to 4. Contact Marlene Coughlin by stopping by the Honors Office or emailing her at marlene.coughlin@uconn.edu to get an application form.

INTD 291-002 Introduction to Computer Programming in the Humanities and Sciences
This one semester course will introduce students to computer programming using Extended Basic with object oriented and structured programming methods. The course assumes the student has no programming experience, but is interested in exploring the use of programming as a tool in their studies. The lectures will present the methods and procedures of object oriented and structured programming as applied to both simple math and text manipulation.

Teach for America Luncheon

There will be a FREE luncheon held Wednesday, January 31, 2007, 12-1:30 in CUE 134. A member of Teach For America will speak at the luncheon. **Space is limited so we would like you to RSVP to Marlene Coughlin at marlene.coughlin@uconn.edu by January 19, 2007.**

This luncheon counts as an Honors event. *Click here!*

“Do I Have to Keep My Last Name? Issues Pertaining to Mothers with Careers.”

SOCI 299- 023 is a course for Spring 2007 for Honors students. Join Dr. Lynne Goodstein and your fellow Honors students Mondays from 4:30-6:00 to hear professional women discuss their path to success in both motherhood and their careers in new 1 credit Honors seminar course. The course will cover many issues of interest to those students—women and men—who are trying to imagine their lives in five or ten years and how they will navigate the demands of career, spouse, and parent. This course is being offered as an independent study, so students must complete an Independent Study Authorization form, obtain the necessary signatures, and deliver it to the Registrar. Seats are limited. Interested students may contact Dawn England (dawn.england@uconn.edu); Jeanne Larson (Jeanne.larson@uconn.edu) or the Honors Office (honors@uconn.edu) for more information.

AMERICANS FOR INFORMED DEMOCRACY YOUTH SUMMIT: Islam and America in the Eyes of the Press: Getting Beyond the Clash of Media

Americans for Informed Democracy invites students at University of Connecticut to apply to attend its upcoming summit for young leaders summit entitled “Islam and America in the Eyes of the Press: Getting Beyond the Clash of Media.” The summit will take place on Saturday, November 18, at Stony Brook University on Long Island.

The summit will bring together students and young professionals for a series of panels, discussions, and workshops with leading journalists from U.S. and Muslim world media. The summit will also look at how young people can raise global awareness and promote mutual understanding through youth organizing. Confirmed speakers at the summit include:

- Kieran Baker, Regional News Editor for the Americas, Al Jazeera
- Beryl Bernay, former U.N. Correspondent and former writer and on-air host for CBS' All Join Hands
- Shamil Idriss, Deputy Director, Alliance of Civilizations, the United Nations
- Bhaskar Menon, Editor, UNDIPLOMATIC TIMES
- Pat Orvis, WeNews commentator and Contributor to the Christian Science Monitor

Click here to see the schedule of the Young Global Leaders Summit: <http://www.aidemocracy.org/yglsschedule.cfm>

The summit is part of a broader series, called The People Speak (<http://www.thepeoplespeak.org/>), which in 2006 is building discussions in the U.S. on a wide range of issues, including Peace, Security, and Human Rights; Energy and Global Climate Change; and the Millennium Development Goals. The People Speak offers a rare opportunity for Americans of all levels to consider topics such as global security, development, and the environment.

Thanks to the generous support of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Open Society Institute, Ford Foundation and Hewlett Foundation, the summit is free for selected participants, including tuition and food. Travel to the conference is at the participant's expense, but Americans for Informed Democracy will do its best to set up car pools for participants coming from the Northeast and mid-Atlantic region.

TO LEARN MORE AND APPLY, VISIT: www.aidemocracy.org/sb.cfm Click on "News and Events" to locate the upcoming conference and other events hosted by Americans for Informed Democracy

REGIONAL SUMMIT AT THE BISHOP CENTER

On Thursday, November 18 from 9am to 2pm, the Nonprofit Alliance of Northeastern Connecticut (NANC) will host its first Regional Summit at the Bishop Center on the Storrs Campus. The Alliance is a new collaboration who believes through cooperation and a shared vision, we can enhance and leverage the capacity of nonprofit organizations so that individual, families and communities in northeast Connecticut flourish. To this end, the Summit's objectives are:

Everything you want to know about INTERNSHIPS but are afraid to ask...

CUE 320, November 28, 2006, 5:30pm

Join us on Tuesday, November 28th at 5:30 pm for a discussion on internships...the importance for your major and career; how to find a good internship; and how to connect your classes to your internship experience. Hear from the experts and gain valuable insight into the world of internships. Pizza will be served.

This also counts as an Honors Event!

**Thesis Workshop with Jeffrey Rummel
South A 112/113, November 29, 2006, 5:00pm**

Jeffrey Rummel, Associate Professor and Director of the School of Business, will lead this thesis workshop for juniors and seniors; freshmen and sophomores are welcome to attend.

**Dinner and a Show with Dr. Lease Butts
South Dining Hall, November 30, 2006, 6:00pm**

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**SURF Workshop
CUE 320, January 24, 2007, 4:00pm**

Please join Dr. Jennifer Lease Butts and several Fortiers awardees for this enlightening workshop.

**Teale Lecture: Mark Klett
Dodd Center, Konover, February 1, 2007, 4:00pm**

Mark Klett, Regents Professor of Art at Arizona State University, will present a lecture titled "Ideas About Time: Recent Projects that Investigate the Relationship

▶ Decision makers (Private, Non-Profit, and Funder CEOs; Non-Profit Board Leaders; State and Municipal Elected Officials) are engaged in provocative discussions about the challenges and opportunities faced by non-profits in the region.

▶ Decision makers innovatively think about solutions and action strategies to address the challenges and opportunities faced by non-profits in the region.

▶ Decision makers are energized to contribute their ongoing efforts to address the identified challenges and opportunities.

▶ Ongoing workgroups are established to take action on identified ideas and potential initiatives.

This is designed to be an intimate group of high level leaders from the northeastern Connecticut region. UConn faculty, staff and students can play a role in the dialogue on the 18th as well as a number of the initiatives and collaborations that are formed from the experience. There may be some research and community assessment work to result from the Summit, and these initiatives may align with your research, teaching, and outreach interests.

UConn, specifically the Center for Continuing Studies and Department of Student Activities, are co-sponsoring the event. The basic details of the event are included in the attached invitation. As part of our sponsorship, we are able to send a few individuals to the event for free. Please RSVP Matt Farley if you are able to attend by noon on November 13: matthew.farley@uconn.edu. If you are interested, but unsure of your attendance, please let him know. If there are other UConn community members who you believe would be interested in this summit, please let him know immediately so he can reach out to them as well.

YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED

Please take a few minutes to complete the programming survey on the Honors Vista Site. It takes no more than 10 minutes and provides valuable feedback to what you're looking for in programming from Honors! Missy Korduner will be using the results as we prepare for events in the coming semesters and years. If you have any questions, please contact her at missy.korduner@uconn.edu.

LOOSE ENDS....

Calling Outstanding Experienced Student Leaders!!!!

Nominations are still be taken for the Connecticut Leadership Legacy Experience. For more information about this exciting leadership enhancement program, and to obtain an information/nomination packet, please visit www.leadership.uconn.edu and click on "Legacy Experience" on the left or call 860.486.6588.

PHI KAPPA PHI

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi has a Study Abroad Grant Competition for the 2007-2008 academic year. Each year, Phi Kappa Phi awards 50 Study Abroad grants of \$1000 each. For eligibility, deadline, notification and application information, click [here!](#)

Apply to the NIH/Oxford/Cambridge Scholars Program

Applications are now being accepted for fully funded PhD studies in the NIH/Oxford/Cambridge Scholars Program, formally known as the National Institutes of Health-University of Oxford and National Institutes of Health-University of Cambridge Scholars in Biomedical Research programs. **The deadline for applications to the NIH/Oxford/Cambridge Scholars Program is January 8, 2007. There is no application fee.**

Environmental Expressions

The UConn Office of Environmental Policy is holding an "Environmental Expressions" contest this semester. Students are encouraged to submit digital photography, poetry, short stories, short essays, and more relating to themes of environmental sustainability and an appreciation

of Time, Space and Photography."

Teale Lecture: Richard Somerville
Dodd Center, Konover, March 22, 2007, 4:00pm

Richard Somerville, Distinguished Professor at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography," will present a lecture titled "Climate, Climate Change and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change."

Teale Lecture: David Allen Sibley
Dodd Center, Konover, April 12, 2007, 4:00pm

David Allen Sibley is an author and illustrator of the book "The Sibley Guide to Birds." His lecture will be "Birds and Bird Guides."

Honors Council

Honors Ambassadors Meeting
South A 124, November 29, 2006, 8:00pm

All Honors Ambassadors are encourage to attend the important NEW planning meeting, which will follow the Honors Council meeting.

Opportunities

The Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics
CUE 419, December 8, 2006, 5:00pm

The deadline for the Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics essay contests for 2007 is December 8. Applicants must be registered full-time undergraduate juniors and/or seniors at an accredited four-year college or university in the United States during the fall 2006 semester. Submission of materials must include, three copies of your essay, one paperclipped and two stapled; a completed Entry form signed by the applicant and his/her faculty sponsor; a letter on school stationary from the Registrar's Office, verifying the applicants eligibility; and must be postmarked on or before December 8. *more*

Fully Funded Scholarships for PhD in Immunology and Infectious Disease

The National Institutes of Health and the University of Pennsylvania, two of the world's finest training institutions in Immunology, have combined to create a graduate training partnership unlike any other – The National Institutes of Health-University of Pennsylvania Advanced Immunology Scholars Program. The program sponsors 2 to 4 graduate students per year in an interdisciplinary curriculum designed to train outstanding and independent students in a combination of basic science and advanced research technologies. For complete descriptions of the program see the attached flyer. There is no NIH application fee. For the University of Pennsylvania, the online application form can be found at <http://www.med.upenn.edu/immun/>. Applications to both the NIH and UPenn must be received by December 15, 2006. Both applications may be completed online.

Request for Teachers for A New Era Research Proposals

The Teachers for a New Era project at UConn (TNE) invites university undergraduate and graduate students to participate in a funded research opportunity. Students (with faculty sponsorship) are encouraged to submit proposals to Teachers for a New Era grant competition. Please visit www.tne.uconn.edu to learn more about the proposal process.