

Development Studies Newsletter

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They must often change, who would be constant in happiness or wisdom.

-Confucius

WELCOME BACK, DS!

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Key Dates

Declaration of Concentration

May 2012 Graduates: April 15, 2010

Senior Thesis Rough Draft Due Date: March 16, 2010 **TO THESIS ADVISOR**

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Note to DS Seniors

DS Seniors, if you haven't already done so, please send your semester of graduation, your tentative thesis title, and the name(s) of your advisor(s) to dsprogram@brown.edu ASAP. Thanks!

DS Courses for the spring

POLS1821X The Politics of Social Welfare in the Middle East

Professor Melani Cammett

Th 4:00-6:20

This course explores the politics of social welfare in the Middle East. The first section of the course examines the concept and origins of the "welfare state" as well as the relationship between the state, NGOs, civil society and informal networks in social service provision. The second part explores how welfare regimes developed and operate in selected Middle Eastern countries, where Islamist and other non-state organizations are key providers of social services. Enrollment limited to seniors, with preference for concentrators in Political Science, Developmental Studies, International Relations, and Middle East Studies. Enrollment limited to 20 juniors and seniors. Written permission required.

POLS2190 Comparative and Global Politics of Welfare States

Professor Linda Cook

Th 12:30-2:50

Why and how have welfare states been constructed? How do they differ in Western and Eastern Europe, Latin America, Asia, Africa, in democratic, authoritarian, and semi-authoritarian polities? How have they been affected by globalization of politics and markets? Explanations from developmental, institutional, political, and transnational perspectives, cases from various regions. Enrollment limited to 20. This is a graduate course, but Professor Cook will accept DS seniors with relevant background. Last time it was offered there were several DS seniors.

SOC1870B Contemporary Political Sociology

Professor Celso M. Villegas

T 4:00-6:20

This seminar explores how political power in society is structured from above and challenged from below. Using contemporary theory and comparative-historical analysis, this seminar critically addresses the power of the modern state, the politics of social class, the character of social movements, and the causes of social revolution. No formal prerequisites.

International Summer Program 2010 of the Sommerhochschule of the University of Vienna

This 4 week program will take place from July 17th to August 14th. The four week program offers high level European Studies courses in the morning and German language courses in the afternoon. The European Studies courses are held in English and focus on the emerging New Europe. They cover political, economic, and legal, but also historical and cultural aspects of the multiple transformations the continent is currently undergoing. Given the international and interdisciplinary aspect of the International Summer Program our course offerings are, without question, of interest for students from all fields of study, but certainly of special interest for students who concentrate on Europe or study one of the following fields: European Studies, Cultural Studies, History, International Relations, Interdisciplinary Studies, Law (International Law, European Law, Comparative Law), Political Science, Economics, and German. Students from all over the world have been drawn to the program, not only because of its outstanding academic reputation and the excellent opportunities it offers students to

study German, but also because of its location; directly on the shores of one of Austria's most scenic lakes, Lake Wolfgang, in Austria's picturesque Salzkammergut region, and because of the excellent sports and recreational facilities. The campus life creates an environment which encourages intercultural and social exchange and favours mutual understanding within the international student population. Participants thus broaden their horizon, meet colleagues from different fields of study, make friends for life and build connections for their future professional careers. More information about the Sommerhochschule and the International Summer Program can be found at our homepage at www.univie.ac.at/sommerhochschule. Application due 4/30.

IIPP International Affairs Fellowship Deadline 3/15

The UNCFSP Institute for International Public Policy (IIPP) is one of the nations premier fellowship programs in global affairs for underrepresented students.

Our comprehensive education and training elements prepare IIPP Fellows to address the most pressing international policy problems.

Organization: Institute for International Public Policy (IIPP)

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CGI-U Application Deadline 2/1

The Third Clinton Global Initiative University Meeting will be held April 16-18, 2010 at The University of Miami Coral Gables, Florida. Established in 2005 by President Bill Clinton, the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) brings together a community of global leaders to devise and implement innovative solutions to some of the world's most pressing challenges. Since 2005, CGI Annual Meetings have brought together more than 100 current and former heads of state, 10 of the last 16 Nobel Peace Prize Laureates, hundreds of leading CEOs, heads of foundations, major philanthropists, directors of the most effective nongovernmental organizations, and prominent members of the media. The Fifth Annual Meeting was held September 22-25, 2009 in New York City. To learn more, visit www.clintonglobalinitiative.org. All CGI U Meeting attendees make a Commitment to Action a comprehensive, formal plan of action to address a specific problem on their campus, in their community, or abroad. While a commitment is a requirement for participation at the meeting, just like at the Annual Meeting of the Clinton Global Initiative, any college student or university can make a commitment throughout the year at www.cgiu.org. Since the inception of CGI U, nearly 2,000 commitments have been made by students and universities worldwide.

The early deadline is November 20, 2009, and the final application deadline is February 1, 2010.

Applications will be processed on a rolling basis, and students are encouraged to apply early. Applying and attending the meeting are free for accepted students.

Kathryn Davis Fellowships for Peace 2/1

30 full-tuition fellowships to study critical languages summer 2010 (Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Russian)

Deadline to apply, February 1, 2010. Apply at

<http://www.miis.edu/admissions/financialaid/scholarships/davis>.

Summer Travel Course (Tunisia) Announcement

Loyola Professor Peter J. Schraeder will be leading for the 5th year in a row his highly popular interdisciplinary 22-day summer travel course to Tunisia, Arab World, Islam and U.S. Foreign Policy, May 16-June 5, 2010. Fifteen (15) spots are reserved for non-Loyola students. Please visit our website

(http://luc.edu/studyabroad/summer_tunisia.shtml) to view a syllabus with a detailed daily itinerary of activities. Please do not hesitate to contact Professor Schraeder (pschrae@luc.edu) if you have any questions. Application deadline 3/22.

2010 AT&T New Media Fellowship

The Watson Institute has announced a new fellowship program, the 2010 AT&T New Media Fellows, which will support 10 undergraduates who are pursuing an impact-driven, innovative international project or internship during the summer of 2010 and who wish to document this experience with new media to engage an online global audience. Fellows will be required to participate in a New Media Undergraduate Study group during the spring 2010 semester, as well as participate in a larger community of student innovators undertaking Brown fellowships during the summer of 2010; keep a blog of their summer experience; and produce a multimedia product (ie. Documentary film, podcast series, other audio/video) upon their return to be posted on the Watson Institutes new Global Conversation website. Please find the full programs specifications here:

www.watsoninstitute.org/fellowships. The application deadline is January 29.

GHEI Serve and Learn

Ghana Health and Education Initiative (GHEI) is now recruiting individuals to participate in the 2010 Serve and Learn Program this summer. GHEI is a non-governmental organization (NGO) based in Humjibre, a rural community in Ghana, and works to help build a sustainable future for the people of Ghana through community-based health and education projects. Rooted in principles of sustainable development, GHEI works in collaboration with the community towards mobilization and empowerment. GHEI Serve and Learn offers short-term volunteer programs to those interested in international development and social justice. It is a chance to learn about and profoundly experience grassroots work without a several month commitment. Individuals interested in development, public health, universal education and human rights promotion can connect to one of four Serve and Learn Programs this summer. No medical experience or prior training is necessary for any of GHEI's Serve and Learn Programs. The application process is rolling, so we encourage you to apply as soon as possible. We will begin the first round of selection on February 1st in the order applications were received. Go to www.ghei.org for more information.

Pepsi Refresh Project Offering Grants

The Pepsi Refresh Project is looking for people, businesses, and non-profits with ideas that will have a positive impact. Go to www.refresheverything.com for more information.

Maternova Looking for Interns

Maternova is a social enterprise based in Providence. Maternova seeks to become the online media hub connecting millions of people who work on maternal/newborn health around the world. The innovation portal will facilitate user-generated exchanges on highly practical issues, saving lives by increasing efficiency, making connections and sharing innovations. The site is pioneering two unprecedented resources: live, user-generated maps of health clinics around the world and an interactive innovations index. We are seeking interns for the following projects. If appropriate, an internship may be crafted to suit an independent study project or as an unpaid extracurricular internship to gain experience in this field.

1. Social Media Campaign: While Maternova takes advantage of social media like FB and Twitter, we are a startup and need to launch a full campaign to spread the word about this unique resource. An intern is needed to help craft, implement and monitor the strategy.

2. Suitcase Stuffer Pilot: We feature a number of innovations on our site and are starting to get requests to sell the technologies directly to physicians, nurses and midwives. We will be piloting sales of a small packet of technologies which globetrotting physicians can pack in suitcases to distribute to providers in remote areas.

Please contact: Meg Wirth, MPA, Founder. mwirth@maternova.net

See <http://maternova.net> for more information.

The Choosing America Project

The Choosing America Project is looking for true short stories that express the very essence of being an immigrant in America, gripping human interest stories that will reflect the diversity of the American immigrant experience, past and present. The final goal of The Choosing America Project is to create a series of short films directed by a variety of directors who will choose from the pool of stories we are now collecting. For more details go to www.choosingamerica.com

Tola, Nicaragua Program Coordinator Needed

Foundation for Sustainable Development (FSD) is currently accepting applications for Tola, Nicaragua Program Coordinator. Please go to <http://www.fsdinternational.org/about/jobs/fellowships> for more information. The Program Coordinator will begin in March, 2010 and applications will be accepted until the position is filled. If interested, please send your CV and cover letter to jobs@fsdinternational.org

Islam in Three Nations Accepting Applications

May 17-June 15: London, Spain and Morocco

This four-week summer program looks beyond media stereotypes and delivers the richness and diversity of Muslim cultures past and present. Directed by SU Newhouse Professor Gustav Niebuhr, former national correspondent for *The New York Times*, the program features visiting speakers and interaction with local communities in each city. For more information go to <http://studyabroadarchive.syr.edu/programs/summer/view/523>. The application deadline is 3/1.

Global Development Internship

The Global Development Internship (GDI) in Kenya and South Africa provides college students the opportunity to gain on-the-ground development experience and leadership training to develop sustainable business models for development projects in rural villages in Africa. GDIs are essential in order to be thorough in the identification and implementation of ThinkImpact projects. Interns live with local community members in homestays and work in partnership with community leaders to complete capacity inventories and monitoring and evaluation of past projects. Interns spend the last two weeks mobilizing a new committee around health or education issues in order to leverage local community resources to alleviate poverty. The application deadline is 2/28. See www.thinkimpact.org/gdi

LIFE Program in Israel and India

The LIFE program is a nine-month leadership development program designed to engage participants in contributing to international development and local social justice issues in both Israel and India, and crystallize participants identities, commitments and skills as societal leaders and change makers. The LIFE program starts with training and preparation in Israel, followed by a four-month internship in India

and a four-month internship that addresses social change in Israel. Go to www.LIFEprogram.org for more information.

The DS DUG Newsletter will be sent out every Monday afternoon. If you would like to submit announcements/events to the newsletter, please email BrownDSDUG@gmail.com by Monday at 4:00.