**DHCH News for the week of December 10, 2012**

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**Events and Deadlines THIS WEEK**
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  - Final exams

**Upcoming and Ongoing Events**
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- **NEW ITEM!** Study in Nicaragua this Summer—**spaces available**
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**Seats Available in HC 121L Ways of Knowing**
All DHCH students are required to take a **Ways of Knowing** course during their first year at UM. There are still **seats available in HC 121L for spring 2013 semester. LS 152L (Introduction to Humanities/Honors) may also be counted in fulfillment of the “Ways of Knowing” course requirement; seats are still available for spring 2013 semester. **URGENT: Please register this week if you plan to enroll in the course.** Visit the DHCH front desk to request permission to enroll in Honors courses.

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**Study in Nicaragua this Summer!**
A reminder that EVST professor Dan Spencer is offering a 3-credit, 2-week Travel Seminar to **Nicaragua, May 28-June 10, 2013. There are still some**
spaces available! The primary focus of the course is examining Central American views on the Environment, Human Rights and efforts toward Sustainable Development within the context of the global economy in Latin America. You do not need to know Spanish to participate. Contact Dan Spencer at daniel.spencer@umontana.edu or 243-6111 if you are interested.

New Honors Course for Spring 2013: Shell Eco-Marathon
The Sustainable Transportation Energy Efficiency Design” (STEED) club is recruiting for the 2013 Shell Eco-Marathon and the 2013 American Society of Mechanical Engineering Human Powered Vehicle Challenge. The University of Montana competed in both events in 2012 and is looking for energetic, team-oriented students to participate in the design, fabrication, testing and racing of the vehicles. The Shell Eco-Marathon will be held in Houston Texas on April 5-7, and the ASME HPVC will be held at NASA Ames in California April 12-14.
If you are interested in joining STEED and participating in either event, please contact Professor Layton at bradley.layton@umontana.edu.

Seats Still Open in Erin Brown Saldin’s Spring 2013 Courses
First is ENCR 195: Service Learning/Creative Non-Fiction, offered Mondays from 5:10-8:00 pm. In this course, students will study the art of memoir while also providing companionship to members of a local assisted living center. They will help their elderly partners write a memoir, and will collect the memoirs in an anthology at the end of the course.

Second is ENCR 295: Writing Young Adult Fiction, offered TR from 2:10-3:00 (this should pop up on Cyberbear by Wednesday). In this course, students will study the craft of writing for young adults, with the hope that they will each write the next HUNGER GAMES. This course counts as a lower-division creative writing course for creative writing majors.

Internship Opportunity with the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance
The U.S. Senate Finance Committee Majority Office is currently seeking internship applicants for spring and summer semesters in 2013. Interns conduct in-depth research, attend meetings and briefings on and off the Hill, and provide critical support to the Senate staff as they make legislative recommendations to Chairman Max Baucus (Montana Senator) and other Senators on the Finance Committee. Interns work in one of the following issue areas: press, health, tax, trade, budget/social security, investigations and Native American affairs. Student interns can receive UM academic credit and housing through the Washington Center internship program, and access a $2,000 scholarship toward program fees. Please contact Andrea Vernon, andrea.vernon@mso.umt.edu, or Professor Rob Saldin, Robert.saldin@mso.umt.edu for more information.
New Honors Course for Wintersession 2013: HC 395.90, Communicating Across Cultures
TR 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (1 cr.) Josh Rosenberger. Consent of instructor required.

This course provides an introduction to the values, attitudes, strategies, and behaviors associated with communication in a variety of cultural contexts. The course is geared toward students who intend to study abroad, travel internationally, work with international students or immigrants, or simply develop their understanding of other cultures. Students will explore the different ways that communication is expressed across cultures in order to better understand the dynamics of cross-cultural communication and develop the skills needed for successful cross-cultural interaction. Upon completion of the course, students will have gained the knowledge and competence to confidently communicate with people from a variety of cultural backgrounds. To request permission to enroll, contact: josh.rosenberger@umontana.edu

New Honors Course for Spring 2013: HC 395.82, Prelaw Seminar
(1 cr.) Soazig LeBihan R 5:10-6:00 p.m. DHC 117. Consent of instructor required.

This course will enhance students’ understanding of how to prepare for, and how to be successful in, law school as well as provide them with specific information concerning careers in the law. Students will gain practical insight and have the unique opportunity to interact with legal professionals and law school admission officers to explore their futures in law school and the legal profession. The main goal of the course is to help students to make a well-informed and appropriately self-aware decision about whether or not, and if yes why, a career in the law is the professional path that best suits their personality traits, their academic strengths and weaknesses, their core values, and life interests. To request permission to enroll in the course, fill out and submit the Prelaw Seminar application form: http://www.dhc.umt.edu/current_students/student_forms.cfm#prelaw. Application deadline: November 15.

Still Accepting Senior Project Proposals
Students who are planning to graduate this year should submit a senior project research and presentation proposal. These proposals were due Monday, September 17, and are still being accepted for consideration through the end of September. If you have not already done so, please meet with James McKusick, Laure Pengelly Drake, or Erin Brown Saldin as soon as possible to discuss the project requirements and your plans. Hardcopies of the required form are
available in the DHC office, and you can find it online:  
http://www.dhc.umt.edu/current_students/student_forms.cfm#honorsresearch.  
Students who are planning to graduate in 2013-2014 should confer during this academic year, the earlier the better.

Still Accepting DHC Graduation Checklist
Seniors who intend to graduate Spring 2013, Summer 2013, or Autumn 2013 should come to the DHC office to pick up a DHC Graduation Checklist and to make an appointment for a graduation meeting with Karen Kaley. The purpose of this meeting is to assist graduating seniors in reviewing their requirements to graduate as a "University Scholar" from the DHC. The DHC Graduation Checklist must be completed right away for Autumn 2012, by October 4 for Spring 2013, by February 7 for Summer 2013, and by April 7 for Autumn 2013. The form is posted here:  
http://www.dhc.umt.edu/current_students/student_forms.cfm#seniorgraduation  
Note: Don't forget that you must also apply for graduation from The University of Montana. Applications are available online. For further information:  
http://www.umt.edu/registrar/Forms1.aspx

Apply to Teach For America over the Holiday Break!
Over the Holiday break, your family and friends will ask you, “What are you doing after you graduate?” Tell them “Teach For America.” Today, 4th graders living at or below the poverty line are on average three full grade levels behind their wealthier peers and have an 8% likelihood of graduating from college. Be the change. Education Transforms.

Next Application Deadline is Friday, January 11
  • Click here to view the application: www.teachforamerica.org/application

The Basics of Teach For America:
  • Teach For America Corps Members are full-time teachers in a classroom  
  • All academic majors and backgrounds accepted (background in education/teacher certification is not required nor discouraged)  
  • Salary ranging from $25,500-$51,000 a year with health insurance and retirement benefits  
  • Americorps Education award of $11,100 in addition to loan forbearance and paid interest for two years  
  • Regional placement is not random; applicants preference location in our 46 regions  
  • All grade levels (preK-12) and subjects including ELL, Special Education, and the arts
• Option to receive your certification and/or Masters in Teaching
• Graduate school and employer partnerships for alum to continue their societal impact

One day, all children in this nation will have the opportunity to attain an excellent education.

For assistance, contact Laure Pengelly Drake, DHC 102.

The Mark Twain Awards for Travel
The Mark Twain Awards for Travel support deserving students who wish to enrich their education through exposure to people and places they would otherwise not encounter. Once awarded, the funds are unrestricted and can be used towards any local or international travel of any duration. Awards range between $500-$2,500. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, so early submissions are strongly encouraged.

To apply, take a few seconds to create a username and password at letterbanc.com and then copy this link into your browser: http://www.letterbanc.com/submissions. You will be asked to submit a brief 250 word statement and some additional information. Finalists will be invited to share further details about their plans.

Eligibility

• Any currently enrolled freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior in any major
• A graduate student in a masters, doctoral, or professional degree program
• A recent college graduate who completed coursework less than 2 years ago
• All applicants will be considered equally on the merits of their proposed travel regardless of affiliation or memberships

The Mark Twain Awards are brought to you by Mortar Board, the premier national honor society recognizing college seniors for superior achievement in scholarship, leadership and service since 1918, and by Letterbanc, the leading application platform for academic awards, admissions, and employment.

Internships Available at the Washington Center
The Washington Center offers internships and academic seminars for all majors in Washington, D.C. The Washington Center’s unique and comprehensive internship program and academic seminars enable college students to take full advantage of the resources of Washington, D.C. for academic credit. Whatever your major is, the Washington Center will find you a suitable internship placement. The Washington Center also offers housing and financial assistance
to applicants who meet eligibility criteria. Academic credit for Washington Center internships is available either through the Department of Political Science or through the Davidson Honors College. All applications to the Washington Center by UM students require the approval of Prof. Robert Saldin (Political Science), who serves as the UM campus liaison for the Washington Center. Dr. Andrea Vernon (Director of the Office for Civic Engagement) serves as co-liaison and can provide students with advice and information about the Washington Center program. For further info: http://www.dhc.umt.edu/opportunities/washington_center_internships.cfm

Clinton Global Initiative University Applications Being Accepted Now
CGI U is President Clinton’s initiative to engage the next generation of leaders from college campuses around the world. Each CGI U participant makes a Commitment to Action: a specific plan of action designed to address a challenge on campus, in the local community, or around the world. The meeting brings together students, NGO representatives, topic experts, and prominent change-makers. Last year’s participants included Jon Stewart, Madeleine Albright, and Usher. CGI U is proof that young people have the power to make a significant impact by confronting some of the world's most urgent challenges. The application to attend CGI U 2013 is now available online. Watch this video to learn more about CGI U.

Humanity in Action Now Accepting Applications
Humanity in Action is now accepting applications for its 2013 Fellowship Programs in Europe. Humanity in Action invites applications from talented college students and recent graduates who are intellectually gifted, mature, independent and passionate about human rights. Current sophomores, juniors, and seniors and recent graduates are eligible to apply. Students of all academic disciplines, interests and backgrounds are encouraged to apply. Learn more about the Humanity in Action Fellowship »

Round Two Deadlines for External Scholarship Program
The Carnegie Junior Fellows Program provides one-year research assistantships in Washington, DC, for students who desire careers in international affairs. 2nd UM deadline: December 28, 2012

The Goldwater Scholarship provides $7500 for students committed to careers involving math, science, or engineering research. Students with one or two years of college remaining may apply. You will write a research plan as part of your application. 2nd UM deadline: January 15, 2013

The Udall Scholarship provides $5000 for students committed to careers related to the environment AND to Native American students committed to
careers in tribal public policy OR Native American health care. Students with one or two years of college remaining may apply. UM currently leads the nation in Udall Scholarships. 2nd UM deadline: February 15, 2013

The Truman Scholarship for graduate and professional school requires application a year early; candidates apply as juniors. You must demonstrate outstanding potential for public service and be committed to making a difference through careers in government, the nonprofit or advocacy sectors, education, or elsewhere in the field. You will write a brief policy proposal as part of your application (http://www.truman.gov) 2nd UM deadline: January 15, 2013

See Laure Pengelly Drake, Director of External Scholarships and Advising, DHC 102, ASAP.

Make appointments through Andi at 243-2541.