IDS Update

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**Finals Week Begins December 10**

Please review your course syllabi, as well as the University web site, with the official times for final exams for Fall Semester ([http://www.reg.msu.edu/ROInfo/Calendar/FinalExamFS12.asp](http://www.reg.msu.edu/ROInfo/Calendar/FinalExamFS12.asp)).

If you have any conflicting course exams, notify your instructor as soon as possible.

Good luck, everyone!

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**Apply to be an RA by December 17**

The Department of Residence Education and Housing Services is now recruiting for positions for the 2013-14 academic year. The Resident Assistant and Community Coordinator application is available online. The application deadline is December 17, 2012.

These positions are typically undergraduate staff who reside in an MSU residence hall or University Village. They assist in supporting the academic community and have specific responsibility for working with students on a particular floor or area.

Staff are expected to provide strategies for, and assist residents with, multicultural development, learning, character building, community development and personal wellbeing. Both of these positions receive housing and a meal plan as compensation.

For more information and for the online application, visit [www.liveon.msu.edu/employment](http://www.liveon.msu.edu/employment).
SS13 Internship Opportunity – Application Information

**Internship Title:** Public Policy Division Intern

**Time Period:** January-April 2013 (one semester)

**Hours:** 15-20 hours/week - paid

**Location:** Michigan Farm Bureau, 7373 W. Saginaw Highway, Lansing, MI

**Position Description:**
Internship will involve working on multiple projects across the Agricultural Ecology, Commodity and Marketing, and Government Relations Departments within the Public Policy and Commodity Division of Michigan Farm Bureau. Activities may include, but are not limited to, research and tracking of specific agricultural policy issues, and communicating with membership on agriculture and environmental issues.

**Preferred Skills:**
Writing; computer skills including basic knowledge of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Acrobat and InDesign

**Interviews for the position will take place mid-December.**
If you are interested in this position, send a resume to Emily Ries at eries@michfb.com.

**Contact:**
Emily Ries, Michigan Farm Bureau Agricultural Ecology Specialist, (517) 323-7000 ext. 2026

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Spring Break in Mexico

What are you doing spring break? The MSU International Engagement in Mexico (IEM) Study Aboard program is looking for students who are interested in a service-learning (volunteer) experience in Mexico during spring break 2013. This program immerses students in Mexican culture.

Join 140 other students and engage in communities in Mexico through service-learning. Volunteer at designated nonprofit agencies that work with children and youth, senior citizens, youth with disabilities and more. Students choose one of four vibrant city locations in Mexico: Puebla, Campeche, Oaxaca, or Merida. All cities are safe and full of cultural opportunities. Archaeological sites are part of the experience.


For more details, contact Carlos Fuentes at Fuentes@msu.edu or at 517-353-1671.
Human Resource Conference on campus
February 8

Attention IDS students with a Human Capital and Society Concentration: You are invited to the 2013 MSU SHRLR SHRM Conference on Friday, February 8, 2013 from 8:30am-4pm in East Lansing, Michigan. The School has scheduled speakers who will be able to share a lot of insight and best practices with students, the up and coming leaders of the HR community.

Included are distinguished speakers such as Mark Murray, President of Meijer, Carolyn Jackson, CHRO of Coca-Cola North-America, and Garry Randall, SVP of HR at Walt-Disney Corporation, to name a few. In addition to keynote speakers, there will be smaller breakout sessions and workshops, to offer more hands-on learning, featuring professionals from Shell Oil, Ford Motor Company, and our own school's director, Dr. Bill Cooke, to name a few.

More information about accommodations, agenda, speakers, registration, etc. can all be found on the 2013 SHRM Conference Website: https://sites.google.com/a/msu.edu/2013-msu-shrm-conference/.

Registration is expected to fill up quickly, so if you are interested in attending, sign up using the link above.