IDS Student Club Meetings

Welcome Back IDS Students!

**IDS Student Organization**

IDS-SO is having the first meeting of 2013 on TUESDAY, January 15th from 7-8pm in 106 Bessey Hall. Join in to help set up a schedule of events for the remainder of the school year and get to know fellow IDS students! PIZZA will be provided, so come ready to eat!

**MSU Future Social Science Educators**

FSSE would like to welcome everyone back, members and future members alike. The first meeting will be Tuesday, January 15th at 6:30, in 116 Berkey Hall. There will be FREE FOOD, an introduction to the group and plans for this semester. Come and discuss how you can contribute and gain the benefits of FSSE.

If you have any questions feel free to email or check out the website: msufsse@gmail.com; fssemsu.weebly.com.

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Foreign Language Fellowship Applications

Applications for the 2013-14 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship Program are due on Jan. 19. For information: [http://common.isp.msu.edu/flas/index.htm?tab=1&cen=1](http://common.isp.msu.edu/flas/index.htm?tab=1&cen=1)

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New Minor: Defense Studies and Leadership

The Department of History, announces a new minor in Defense Studies and Leadership. Details at: [http://www.reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/ProgramDetail.asp?Program=7721](http://www.reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/ProgramDetail.asp?Program=7721)

Dr. Emily Tabuteau (Academic Advisor in History; email: tabuteau@msu.edu) will be the advisor for this minor. Send her an email with your name, student number, and request to be added to the minor, or to schedule an appointment to discuss.
Multicultural Heroes Case Competition

Applications are now available for Multicultural Heroes Hall of Fame Case Competition, with a $1500 grand prize at stake. Multicultural Business Programs is accepting team applications for the 12th Annual Black History Month Multicultural Heroes Hall of Fame Case Competition until Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 4pm. Teams must consist of three MSU undergraduates. Each team selects a multicultural hero from the list provided on the application. A team has 10 minutes to make their case including a biographical overview, how their hero has carried and passed the torch of justice, how their hero contributed to the struggle for human rights, the relationship between their hero and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and why they should be inducted into the Hall of Fame. The winning team is selected by a panel of judges and receives $1500.

Applications are online at http://mbp.broad.msu.edu/students/the-2013-black-history-month-multicultural-heroes-hall-of-fame-case-competition/ or at 417 Eppley Center. The final round of the competition will take place on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 from 6-8pm in N100 Business College Complex with a reception following. Multicultural Business Programs and Altria Group Distribution Corporation sponsor the competition.

Last year, Elyse Hoekstra, Marketing junior; Ting Ting Ni, Accounting sophomore; Deepa Varghese, Accounting junior, won the competition with a powerful presentation about Paul Robeson, the civil rights activist and singer.

PSY 371/372: Community Field Study

If you are considering Graduate School or a career in social science or human services, this may be just what you need! This year you may participate in Psychology 371 and 372. This course involves a 2 semester commitment (4 credits each) and will provide you the opportunity to work one-on-one with an adolescent from the community. These youths have been referred by the juvenile court. The courses offer you initial training in working with adolescents and ongoing supervision of your case once assigned. The course content is a unique combination of theoretical information, practical intervention techniques and actual community experience. It is an invaluable experience for anyone considering graduate work and/or a career in the human services fields.

This class is in high demand; therefore students are selected through an interview process for acceptance into this class. This class only accepts 35-40 students per semester. Contact the director, Sean Hankins at: hankinss@msu.edu for an interview. If you would like to receive further information concerning how to get involved in this unique course sequence, or have any other question, call 355-9519 or e-mail Sean Hankins ASAP.

Undergraduate Research Information

Announcing the 2013 Undergraduate Research (UR) workshop calendar. Please see this website for details: http://urca.msu.edu/event.
Spring Break in Mexico

It is not too late to apply for the MSU Mexico Spring Break program. Time is running out though. If you enjoy making a difference, traveling, and learning about other cultures, then this study abroad program may be for you. We will be volunteering at various non-profit agencies that work with children & youth and senior citizens. Choose between 2 or 3 credits. All majors are welcome. For more information, please contact Carlos Fuentes at fuentes@msu.edu

Summer 2013 – Study Abroad in Madagascar

Thousands of species of plants, reptiles, amphibians, birds, and primates live on Madagascar and nowhere else on Earth. Until recently, Malagasy people (comprised of 17 different ethnic groups) had limited land tenure rights and little support for livelihoods beyond subsistence-based resource extraction. Madagascar is faced with balancing the delicate relationship between human development and environmental protection. This has had devastating consequences for both the country’s natural environment and people’s standard of living.

This study abroad program examines the nexus of biodiversity conservation and livelihood preservation on the world’s fourth largest island, Madagascar. Visit multiple terrestrial and marine protected areas in diverse habitat types (e.g., tropical humid forest, deciduous dry forest, coastal and marine habitats, mangroves, and coral reefs) to better understand the evolution and sustainability of natural resource governance in Madagascar. See first-hand and discuss the challenges associated with managing and enforcing protected areas (illegal logging, lemur or tortoise poaching) as well as the opportunities (carbon banking, ecotourism, community policing). Students will learn about how Malagasy people react to and think about environmental enforcement and environmental degradation. Students will directly interact with conservation practitioners, enforcement officials, biologists, and local people to experientially learn about Malagasy culture and natural resources.

The program begins in the hilly and densely populated French-speaking capital city of Antananarivo and proceeds over land by private coach to the rural and agricultural central highlands and forested eastern coast. Travel by commercial air to the lowland coastal tropical forest and by private boat to a marine protected area. The experience is an authentic and immersive one, allowing students to explore Madagascar less as a tourist and more as an insider. Students are guaranteed to come away from this study abroad with an once-in-a-lifetime learning experience, new perspectives, lasting memories and new friends. Visit http://studyabroad.isp.msu.edu/ for more information, including program dates, fees, tentative itinerary, application procedure and scholarship information.

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