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GPIS/CRGS News

Doctoral Dissertation Defense

On Friday February 1, 2008, Scott H. Brunstetter will defend his dissertation entitled; *Shades of Green: The Use of Force Debate in the German Green Party, 1990-2002*. This defense will take place from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM in 6009 BAL.

GPIS MA Comprehensive Exams

MA students planning to take the comprehensive exam this semester should take note of the following dates:

March 7, 2008: Deadline to register for April MA Comprehensive Exam

March 17 12:00 - 1:00: MA Comps Orientation in BAL 7009

April 11 9:00 - 1:30: MA Comps Exam ROOM TBA

Additionally, students should certify that they have meet all programs requirements with the program director.

Summary of Events:

International Topics Journal meeting, Wednesday Jan. 30, 2008 12:00 PM in 7031 BAL

Scott H. Brunstetter Disseration Defense, Friday Feb. 1, 2008 11:00 AM-1:00 PM 6009 BAL

Grant Writing Workshop for Graduate Students, Feb. 15, 2008

Middle Atlantic Council on Latin American Studies Conference. University of Maryland, Baltimore County, March 7-8, 2008

28th Annual Levy-Wasteneay Graduate Symposium. University of Toronto, March 14-15, 2008

2008 Old Dominion-City of Norfolk ON Film Festival Mar. 29 - Apr. 5, 2008

Upcoming Deadlines:

- Feb. 1, 2008: Proposals for Levy-Wasteneay 28th Annual Graduate Symposium
- Feb. 1, 2008: Application for Congressional Research Award
- Feb. 8, 2008: Supporting Materials for Critical Language Scholarship
- Feb. 14, 2008: Proposals for Global Studies Conference
- Feb. 15, 2008: Application for Order, Conflict and Violence Fellowship
- Feb. 15, 2008: Proposals for Moving Beyond Mobility Conference
- Feb. 15, 2008: Proposals for Dalhousie 3rd Annual Graduate Student Symposium

Future Deadlines:

- Mar. 1, 2008: Proposals for RISA 5th Anniversary Convention



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New Summer Course Offering: Modeling and Simulation for International Studies, June 30 - Aug. 15, 2008

Modeling and Simulation for International Studies is a new topics course for both M&S and IS students. The course introduces modeling and simulation as a tool for expanding one's understanding of events that have shaped the global environment of the 21st century. The course will first provide a broad look at international politics through a review of select international incidents, military interventions, and homeland security issues. Modeling paradigms such as agent-based models and system dynamics will be utilized to explore these case studies.

ODU's Modeling and Simulation Graduate Program (MSIM) is an inter-disciplinary program offering the MS, ME and PhD degrees. The Graduate Program is supported by research scientists and facilities of the Virginia Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Center (VMASC), Old Dominion University's internationally recognized research center focused on modeling, simulation and visualization. Modeling and Simulation is playing an increasing role at the cutting edge of international studies and students interested and capable of pursuing high-end modeling are in very high demand across the social sciences.

To make this course significant to both social science and engineering students, attention will be paid to:

- understanding selected case studies with an eye to gathering empirical data to create an abstract representation of the event
- understanding what model would best represent the data
- understanding how to construct a model
- understanding how to analyze, verify, and validate the model developed

For More Information contact Dr. Banks, cmbanks@odu.edu or Dr. Sokolowski, jsokolow@odu.edu

Around Campus

Preparing Future Faculty Grant Writing Workshop

Our first Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) event of the spring is entitled "Grant Writing: Locating Funding Sources and Writing a Winning Grant Proposal" presented by Kate Ferguson, ODU Director of Research Development. The event will be Friday, February 15, 2008 from 12 noon -2:00 p.m. in BAL 9024.

Space is limited, so please RSVP to Elaine Justice ejjustice@odu.edu if you wish to attend.

Dr. Kaethe Ferguson, ODU Director of Research Development will talk about:

- Searching for funding in your discipline
- Identifying funding that fits your research
- The anatomy of a good grant application
- Resources available to help

Graduate Writing Assistance Program:

Old Dominion University's Graduate Writing Assistance Program is a resource available to all departments, which provides one-on-one assistance to graduate students interested in learning how to improve their writing. We are also available to assist graduate instructors in class with short workshops on writing related topics. To make an appointment with the Graduate Writing Assistant or to discuss workshop opportunities for your class, please call Writing Tutorial Services at 683-4013 or email directly at epastore@odu.edu

Theses/Dissertations deadlines 2008

Spring 2008

March 14 Dissertations due in Dean's Office

March 21 Theses due in Dean's Office

April 29 Dissertations and Theses due in Registrar's Office

Summer 2008

June 27 Dissertations due in Dean's Office

July 7 Theses due in Dean's Office

August 8 Dissertations and Theses due in Registrar's Office

Library News

New Database: Gender Studies Database

The library now subscribes to Gender Studies Database, 1972-present. This database combines "Women's Studies International" and "Men's Studies" databases with the coverage of sexual diversity issues and provides the full spectrum of gender-engaged scholarship inside and outside academia. With links to selected full-text, the source documents include professional journals, conference papers, books, book chapters, government reports, discussion and working papers, theses & dissertations and other sources.

Access Gender Studies Database from the library's Databases page by title or subjects "Psychology" and "Social Sciences." Because it is available through library subscription, IP address restrictions apply: from off campus, you'll need to enter your Campus UIN at the Easy Proxy page.

Project Muse Adding Back Issues

Project MUSE recently added the full range of back issues of two of its long-held journals, "Journal of the History of Philosophy" (now back to 1963) and "Journal of Democracy" (now back to 1990). The addition of these back issues is part of a pilot program at MUSE to determine the feasibility of expanding coverage.

Renew Your Library Materials

Perry Library materials that are due on January 18th may be renewed online, over the phone, or in person at the circulation desk of any ODU library. Any library materials that are renewed will be due on May 20, 2008, at which time you'll need to physically return the materials so that the library can provide its annual accounting of university property.

Library Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

The library will be closed on Monday, January 21 in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

Announcements

Call for Papers: The 3rd Annual Graduate Student Symposium, Dalhousie University Mar. 14-15, 2008

The Dalhousie University Graduate Society of Political Science Presents, the 3rd Annual Graduate Student Symposium *Challenging Canada: Strategic Threats and Shared Responsibility in an Insecure World* March 14 and 15, 2008, at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The 3rd Annual Graduate Student Symposium sets out to examine Canada's foreign policy and security concerns in a rapidly evolving and increasingly insecure world. Relevant topics may include:

- Canadian foreign policy
- Human security and Canada
- Multilateralism and Canada
- Economic security and Canada
- Environmental issues and concerns and Canada
- Arctic sovereignty and Canada
- Maritime security and Canada

Keynote Speakers for the symposium include: Scott Taylor, journalist and editor of *Esprit de Corps* magazine and Major General J.P.Y.D. Gosselin, OMM, CD, Commander Canadian Defence Academy.

The Society welcomes proposals for papers and presentations on any of these, or related, topics. Deadline: **February 15, 2008**.

Applications must include a bio-sketch of approximately 300 words and a paper/presentation abstract of approximately 300 words. To apply, or for additional information, please write to gradsym@dal.ca.

ASPECT Ph.D. Program at Virginia Tech

The ASPECT Ph.D. program at Virginia Tech has been approved by the Virginia State Council of Higher Education. ASPECT (Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought) is now able to enroll Ph.D. students

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beginning in the Fall 2008 term. Updated information on the program, as well as application guidelines, are posted at www.aspect.vt.edu. Priority for admission into the Ph.D. program for 08/09 will be given to applications received February 29.

ASPECT is a theory based, interdisciplinary, and project centered teaching and research program. Students applying for the Ph.D. program do so on the basis of a completed M.A. or equivalent e.g. (MFA, MArch, JD), or promise of completion prior to commencing Ph.D. study beginning in the Fall term. Assuming good progress to degree, accepted students are eligible for up to four years of financial support as T.A.s while pursuing and completing their Ph.D. degree. Additionally, ASPECT oversees an 18 credit hour graduate certificate program, which may be earned independently or while earning another graduate degree at Virginia Tech.

The curriculum stresses student flexibility and originality. It permits a focus on overarching, significant problems by offering education in areas of concentration as well as solid grounding in both interdisciplinary and disciplinary ways of knowing. Students will be prepared to teach introductory and required courses in particular disciplines through their graduate teaching assistantships. Their Ph.D. research, however, will integrate questions that span a number of social science and humanities disciplines, approaches, and fields.

Additional information on the ASPECT program and application details can be found at: www.aspect.vt.edu.

Congressional Research Awards

The Dirksen Congressional Center invites applications for grants to fund research on congressional leadership and the U.S. Congress. A total of up to \$30,000 will be available in 2008. Awards range from a few hundred dollars to \$3,500.

The competition is open to individuals with a serious interest in studying Congress. Political scientists, historians, biographers, scholars of public administration or American studies, and journalists are among those eligible. The Center encourages graduate students who have successfully defended their dissertation prospectus to apply and awards a significant portion of the funds for dissertation research.

The awards program does not fund undergraduate or pre-Ph.D. study. Organizations are not eligible. Research teams of two or more individuals are eligible. No institutional overhead or indirect costs may be claimed against a Congressional Research Award.

There is no standard application form. Applicants are responsible for showing the relationship between their work and the awards program guidelines. Applications are accepted at any time. Applications which exceed the page limit and incomplete applications will NOT be forwarded to the screening committee for consideration.

All application materials must be received on or before **February 1, 2008**. Complete information about eligibility and application procedures may be found at The Center's Website: http://www.dirksencenter.org/print_grants_CRAs.htm.

Frank Mackaman is the program officer -- <mailto:fmackaman@dirksencenter.org>

The Center, named for the late Senate Minority Leader Everett M. Dirksen, is a private, nonpartisan, nonprofit research and educational organization devoted to the study of Congress and its leaders.



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2008 Nonproliferation Challenge Essay Contest

The James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies (CNS) at the Monterey Institute of International Studies strives to combat the spread of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons to state and non-state actors. In an effort to spur new scholarship and policy initiatives to address today's vexing proliferation problems, CNS and its journal, *The Nonproliferation Review*, are launching an essay contest. The contest is designed to find and publish the most outstanding new papers in the nonproliferation field.

Eligibility: This contest is open to persons worldwide, except for current faculty, staff, and students of the Monterey Institute of International Studies, members of The Nonproliferation Review editorial board, and anyone involved in reviewing or judging submissions.

How to Enter: On or before March 31, 2008, e-mail your entry to essaycontest@miis.edu. A valid entry consists of two parts: (1) a completed official cover sheet indicating the name(s) of the author(s), address, telephone number(s), e-mail address(es), indication of status as a student at the time of entry, date of birth, title of the submission, and a one paragraph biography of the author(s); and (2), the submitted essay.

Submission deadline: March 31, 2008

Prizes: One Grand Prize of \$10,000 will be awarded to the author(s) of the best paper from all entries, as determined by the panel of judges. After the Grand Prize winner is selected, non-student entries, will be set aside and the judges will select the best overall student essay for the \$1,000 Outstanding Student Essay Prize.

Questions or comments: E-mail The Nonproliferation Review editor Stephen Schwartz at Stephen.Schwartz@miis.edu or visit <http://cns.miis.edu/pubs/npr/contest/index.htm>

U.S. Department of State 2008 Critical Language Scholarships

The United States Department of State and the Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) are pleased to announce the availability of scholarships for intensive overseas study in the critical need foreign languages of Arabic, Bangla/Bengali, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Turkish, and Urdu for Summer 2008.

As part of the National Security Language Initiative (NSLI), a U.S. government interagency effort to expand dramatically the number of Americans studying and mastering critical need foreign languages, the Department of State Critical Language Scholarships will provide funding for U.S. citizen undergraduate, Master's and Ph.D. students to participate in beginning, intermediate and/or advanced level summer language programs at American Overseas Research Centers and affiliated partners.

Recipients of these scholarships will be expected to continue their language study beyond the scholarship period and later apply their critical language skills in their professional careers.

Deadlines:

On-Line Application must be submitted by Friday,
January 25, 2008

Supporting Materials must be postmarked by Friday,
February 8, 2008

For program details and on-line application visit:
www.CLScholarship.org

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Call For Proposals: Moving Beyond Mobility

The conference is part of the 2008 European Year of Intercultural Dialogue and is organised with the support of the European Commission. I

The upcoming conference "Moving Beyond Mobility" will take place in Berlin from October 13-14, 2008 under the patronage of Ján Figel, Member of the European Commission responsible for Education, Training, Culture and Youth.

This conference offers three kinds of opportunities for presentations.

- Concurrent research paper presentation sessions
- A "best practices" session that encourages the exchange of successful projects,
- A "poster gallery" for shorter presentations on either research or best practices.

Proposals should relate to the theme of the conference, "Moving Beyond Mobility", which refers to aspects of study abroad and educational exchange that go beyond the simple geographical relocation of students. Specifically, the conference will emphasize intercultural learning and education through international exchange.

Reviewers' criteria for evaluating proposals include all of the following:

1. Topics should relate specifically to the educational exchange or study abroad aspects of international mobility.
2. Proposals should be focused on the intercultural education and learning as defined above, i.e. aspects of the programs that go "beyond mobility."
3. Whenever possible, proposals should include applications to high school, secondary school, or teen-age programs.

Proposals of the following kinds are welcome for consideration:

- Descriptive case studies of intercultural education efforts

- Evaluation and/or qualitative studies of participant and/or host family experience vis a vis intercultural learning
- Quantitative or qualitative studies of program effectiveness in creating intercultural learning, including long-term impact studies
- Critiques of international educational exchange and study abroad models, including the analysis of external factors such as government regulation and media representation.
- Successful projects that promote the intercultural educational value of international exchange to schools, parents, participants, and civil society (eg volunteer involvement, public/private partnerships).

Proposal format:

All submissions should be electronic, MS Word or PDF files, in English, sent to the following address: idri@idrinsitute.org

1. On a cover page, include name, institutional affiliation and position, and contact information, including mailing address, phone, and email.
2. On the second page, include the proposed title, whether the topic is intended for a paper session, poster session, or best practice session. Following write a brief 150-word description of the proposed presentation. Include how you will organize the flow of ideas and/or data within a 30-45 minute period and what discussion you propose to stimulate.
3. On subsequent pages (maximum 600 words), provide a rationale for the relevance of your proposed topic to the theme of intercultural education and learning.
4. There is some limited possibilities for presentations in German with simultaneous translation into English
5. The deadline submission is: **February 15, 2008**
6. Accepted presenters will receive a travel stipend
Research papers accepted for presentation will be eligible for selection and publication in a Supplemental Issue of the International Journal of Intercultural Education, a publication of the International Association of Intercultural Education (IAIE), subject to copyright restrictions on previously-published material. Topics selected for the paper sessions should have a completed paper or substantial topic outline available for the audience. Topics selected for poster sessions and best practice sessions should have a succinct one-page handout available.

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VCCS Graduate Teaching Opportunities

The Chancellor's Graduate Student Fellowship program creates opportunities for graduate students to teach courses at a VCCS college while still in graduate school. The program matches university students with community colleges in their local area. Students teach a course and receive mentorship from a full-time VCCS faculty member. Students are typically limited to one course per semester; however the number of courses/opportunities per semester would vary based upon the needs of the Colleges and their particular campus. There are almost always opportunities in high demand areas such as Biology, Math, English, etc.

To be eligible to participate, the student must have completed 18 graduate semester hours in the area in which they would teach. Exceptions are made for non-transfer developmental educational courses; students in math and English might be eligible to teach those courses.

Students will be paid the regular adjunct rate and mentors will receive a stipend for their service. The range per course is \$1500 - \$3000. The application process is simple. The information needed from students as a pre-screen:

1. A resume, curriculum vitae, or brief professional biography.
2. An unofficial copy of your transcripts or a list of courses that you have taken at the graduate level.
3. Your preference for which locations you would be able to travel to for potential assignments.
4. The time of day and days of week you are available to teach.

Contact Alice L. Jones, Director Student and Alumni Programs for more information (757) 683-4388

Call for Papers: The Global Studies Conference University of Illinois, Chicago, May, 16-18 2008

The Global Studies Conference and Global Studies Journal are devoted to mapping and interpreting new trends and patterns in globalization.

As well as impressive line-up of international main speakers, the Conference will also include numerous paper, workshop and colloquium presentations by practitioners, teachers and researchers. Presenters may choose to submit written papers for publication in the fully refereed Global Studies Journal. If you are unable to attend the Conference in person, virtual registrations are also available which allow you to submit a paper for refereeing and possible publication in this fully refereed academic Journal, as well as access to the electronic version of the Conference proceedings.

The deadline for the next round in the call for papers (a title and short abstract) is **February, 14 2008**. Proposals are reviewed within four weeks of submission. Full details of the Conference, including an online proposal submission form, are to be found at the Conference website - <http://www.GlobalStudiesConference.com>





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Jobs and Internships

College Internship Program: Representative Thelma Drake

The Virginia Beach Office of Congresswoman Thelma Drake is accepting resumes from area College students interested in interning for academic credit. The College Internship Program generally includes students from Virginia's Second District or students attending school in the area. Our interns are members of our team, working in the District and on the Hill. They take on real responsibility and learn from the experience.

All internships are unpaid and candidates who are chosen may be responsible for paying their travel and living expenses. The internship program is open to all area college students, regardless of major. Interns in the Virginia Beach Office are required to arrange to receive academic credit for their work. Applications are due and internships extend for the date and time period set out below. However, special circumstances may be accommodated on a case by case basis for the aforementioned criteria.

Interested candidates should contact Congresswoman Drake's Virginia Beach Office at (757) 497-6859. Applicants will be asked to submit a cover letter stating internship goals and desired session and office, resume or CV, a one-page writing sample, and a completed version of the [Student Volunteer Service Agreement](#).

Interns are accepted for the summer, fall, or spring semesters.

Please send the completed application packet to,

The Honorable Thelma Drake, Member of Congress
Attn: Internship Program Coordinator
4772 Euclid Road, Suite E
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

or by e-mail to Claire.Winiarek@mail.house.gov with "College Internship" as the subject line

Promotions Designer Women's Center

Responsible for designing and creating publicity flyers, brochures for programming, and displays reflecting current events and awareness information throughout campus. Also provide office reception and administrative support. Student hourly position, approximately 20 hrs/week (Not Work Study).

Requirements: Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to communicate diversity of services over phone and in person. Skilled in Microsoft Word and Publisher. Creative, dependable and able to work independently with minimal supervision. Morning and mid-day coverage needed. Willingness to be flexible with hours when necessary.

Applications will be reviewed as submitted. Application forms available on our website and in the Women's Center, Webb Ctr. 1000.

For more information call 683-4109 or:

womenctr@odu.edu
<http://studentservices.odu.edu/wc>
Women's Center
Webb Ctr., Suite 1000
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Internet Career Portal: America's Career InfoNet

America's Career InfoNet is a new internet portal to help students identify options and plan their education and career.

The site also provides up-to-date information on occupation trends, industry information, and job availability by locale. There are also career tools to help job seekers build a resume and prepare for interviews. In addition, the portal offers an online career coach to help individuals from simple inquiry and planning to application and transition.

Regardless of your status, Career InfoNet is a powerful tool for career planning: www.careerinfonet.org



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Joint Forces Staff College Spring Internships

Joint Forces Staff College has identified its internship requirements for the Spring 2008 semester. As usual we would like to make the position descriptions available to the students of GPIS. The positions run from February 2008 through May 2008. Resumes may be submitted until February, 11 2008.

Graduate and undergraduate interns from local colleges and universities typically work at JFSC for one semester, performing various duties that satisfy college needs and provide valuable experience to the interns. Some receive college credit; others are motivated by the experience they gain. In addition to satisfying the needs of JFSC and the interns, this program is also a key element in our outreach to the local community.

Many interns have served as research assistants in support of the core curriculum, focus studies (electives), and our Wargaming model. Others have worked in technical areas, where their current skills have proven invaluable in duties such as programming, PC troubleshooting, and database administration.

The ultimate benefits of a JFSC internship program are many: assistance to faculty and staff in a variety of areas, some combination of credit and experience for the students, and significant outreach to local colleges and universities.

Some internships are paid, but generally most are unpaid. For more specific information on each internship and application details see the GPIS website: www.al.odu.edu/gpis or contact John Applebaugh in the GPIS office: jappleba@odu.edu

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European Union Vacancies

Students interested in a career in the European Union or the United Nations should consider the website EU Vacancies (<http://www.euvacancies.net/>). This career portal site is updated daily, with recruitment positions in Brussels. The site also lists special international vacancies and specializes in listing of jobs with law firms, NGOs, lobbies and EU Institutions which are currently offering jobs in Brussels. Anyone considering a career involved with the EU or United Nations can subscribe to the website's free email updates.

Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence Residential Research Fellowships

The Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence at the MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies invites applications for residential research fellowships from scholars who address fundamental questions of order, conflict, and violence. The Program is offering two (2) fellowships, pre- or postdoctoral, in 2008-09.

Fellows will be expected to be in full-time residence during the academic year beginning September 1, 2008. Postdoctoral Fellows are expected to teach one seminar structured around the general themes of order, conflict, and violence. Ideally, they also will complete a significant publication during their residency. Predoctoral Fellows are expected to complete their doctoral dissertations.

In awarding fellowships, preference is given to: (a) recent Ph.D. recipients; and (b) graduate students who have made progress on their dissertations and are likely to complete them during their fellowship. Applicants for Predoctoral fellowships must have completed all coursework and general examinations at the time of application and are expected to have made significant progress on their dissertations. All candidates must be fluent in English.

The Program offers academic year stipends of \$39,000 plus benefits to Postdoctoral Fellows and \$22,000 plus individual health insurance coverage to Predoctoral Fellows. Unfunded or partially funded pre- and postdoctoral fellow-

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ships may be available at the discretion of the Program. All applicants should indicate clearly whether they are seeking full or partial funding.

Application Process

Applications must include the following:

- (1) cover letter, including current e-mail address
- (2) current curriculum vitae, including publications
- (3) 1500-word description of the proposed research project. The description should include the background, nature, importance, specific objectives, and methodology of the proposed research project.
- (4) one sample of writing not exceeding 20 double-spaced pages pertinent to the proposed research project. (No books accepted.)
- (5) a syllabus of the proposed course (Postdoctoral Fellows ONLY)
- (6) an official graduate school transcript
- (7) three letters of recommendation. For Postdoctoral Fellows, referees should cover teaching ability as well as other points.

Deadline for submission **February 15th, 2008**

Application materials should be sent to:

Fellowships--Program on Order, Violence and Conflict,
c/o Larisa Satara, Visiting Scholars and Fellowships Director
MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies
34 Hillhouse Avenue
P.O. Box 208206
New Haven, CT 06520
E-mail: larisa.satara@yale.edu

For additional information e-mail larisa.satara@yale.edu or call (203) 436-4203.

For more information see:

www.yale.edu/macmillan/ocvprogram/index.html

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Internships at MEI

Internships at the Middle East Institute (MEI) are designed to provide students or recent graduates considering a career in a Middle East related field with hands-on experience in a Washington-based, nonprofit organization that focuses exclusively on the Middle East. Interns obtain guidance, experience, and exposure to the Washington policy and scholarly community while helping out with the everyday operations of the Middle East Institute. Although there is no financial compensation for interns, MEI does offer each intern one free language class, a one-year membership to MEI, and reimbursement for local travel expenses.

The goal of the Intern Development Series is to foster discussion about the Middle East while allowing interns to assert, and improve, their leadership skills by meeting weekly with a MEI visiting scholar or specialist. Interns are encouraged to play a management role in this series and are expected to devise specific topics for scholars to discuss and then to organize the logistics of the event. Interns are also expected, compile background reading, and even lead discussions with the scholars.

Internships are available throughout the year to undergraduates, recent graduates, and graduate students. Positions are available on a full or part-time basis with a minimum of 20 hours a week. The dates of internships correspond to the fall, spring, and, summer academic semesters.

The deadlines for applications are:

Summer Internship: **March 15**

Fall internship: **July 15**

For further details regarding specific departments within MEI or to apply visit: <http://www.mideasti.org/internships>



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American Red Cross Presidential Internship

Undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to apply for the American Red Cross Presidential Internship Program: the only paid, summer internship program offered at the American Red Cross. With over 35 professional internships at our National Headquarters and salaries ranging from \$440-800/week, the Presidential Internship Program is one of the premier internship programs in the United States. Some the perks for 2008 Presidential Interns include:

- A roundtable discussion with the Red Cross President and CEO.
- Brown-bag lunches and meetings with senior leadership and executives.
- Housing offered at special rates in nearby George Washington University Campus apartments.
- Opportunities to travel to national conferences and areas stricken by disaster.
- Information provided to you about Washington, D.C. networking events.
- A career development forum with professionals from the Red Cross and for-profit companies.
- An employee badge that allows unlimited access to employee lounges and a fitness center.

Open positions may be found by going to <http://www.redcross.org/>, clicking on jobs, followed by search openings, and then under the area of interest clicking "internships".

For more information about this year's program you may visit the program's external website at <http://www.redcross.org/presidentialinternship>.

There are a number of simple step by step instructions that you need to follow for each Presidential Internship job that you select from a list to submit your cover letter/resume.

American Red Cross at 202-303-5551 is manned 24 hours a day. You may have to leave a message for someone to get back to you to walk you through the steps.

Ongoing Announcements:

Alumni International Topics Blog: Future Command

GPIS alumni Jeff Becker and Kevin Lane have started a blog entitled "Futures Command". Their goal is to discuss the trends and shocks that shape the international environment. They would like to invite all members of the GPIS community to read and participate in discussion on their blog. You can access it at <http://futurescommand.blogspot.com/>

Save the Date: Crossing Over Symposium:

The 3rd Crossing Over Symposium will be held October 9-11, 2009 hosted by Cleveland State University. One page abstracts for the 3rd Crossing Over Symposium are due by May 22, 2009 and can be submitted to a.medinarivera@csuohio.edu.

The Development Executive Group:

The Development Executive Group a source for NGO recruiting, international development jobs, and foreign aid relief news. Graduating students may find this resource helpful in their job search and can also give current students an understanding for what opportunities exist. <http://www.developmentex.com>

Chronicle Careers

Chronicle Careers is an online job search resource for International Studies and Political Science related opportunities. <http://chronicle.com/cgi2-bin/teaxis/jobs/search?id=71957443>

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