

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE HONORS PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

Honors Calendar At-A-Glance:

September 24, 25 Lit Mag Editor Interest Meeting
October 10 HVP Meeting
October 18 Travel Seminar Application Deadline
October 31 HVP Reverse Trick-or-Treat

Make sure to read through this entire newsletter for other important dates and deadlines.

Topics found in this issue of *The Current*:

All of the pictures featured in this edition of The Current were taken inside the Etscorn Honors Center, where over 1,250 students will receive Honors advising this semester.

FEATURE ARTICLE ALEX CLIETON:

ALEX CLIFTON: CRIME IN VICTORIAN CULTURE

Last fall, I took one of the most rewarding and enjoyable courses of my collegiate career, Dr. Johmann's seminar on Crime in Victorian Culture. I would've been interested in the course by itself--I've always been fascinated by those crazy Victorians--but the travel portion of the course was a unique experience that I wouldn't trade for the world. Spending ten days in London with a group of my peers was a fun and informative way to incorporate some of what we'd covered in our course into a broader learning experience.

One of the most interesting things we saw was the mere physical geography of London itself. We read about the city in works from *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes* to *Oliver Twist*, and it was magical getting to see the city itself. It's easy enough to say something is "in London," but the city is so huge and wildly different from place to place that it helped a lot to see the actual geography and imagine the characters running wild in the streets. We went for a walking tour of Whitechapel, where the Jack the Ripper murders occurred, and it gave me a whole new understanding about what it would've been like to live in the East End of London during the 1880s. We also visited such landmarks as St. Paul's Cathedral, which towers over the city and is mentioned in several works; to stand from the roof of St. Paul's and overlook the city was an incredible experience, better than anything I could've learnt in a book alone.

It was also a novel experience to travel abroad with people my own age. I've been to England several times with my parents to see family, but it was a much different experience being somewhere foreign with my professors and my peers. I know my friendships with a few people in the class became even stronger throughout the trip, and it was an entirely new way to experience a place I had always considered familiar. If you get the opportunity to go on a travel seminar through Honors, take it. There is nothing quite like learning about a faraway place and then getting to experience it for yourself--and it ranks among one of the best experiences I've ever had at UofL.



Alex in front of 221B Baker Street, the address of Sherlock Holmes (in Arthur Conan Doyle's time, addresses in Baker Street did not go that high, but Baker Street was extended in 1932).



The Crime in Victorian Culture students throwing their Ls up at Stonehenge! The seminar also took the class to London Tower Bridge, Windsor Palace, and even Platform № 9¾.



HONORS TRAVEL SEMINARS

If you were inspired by Alex Clifton's review of her trip to London, you have the opportunity to make your own memories on next semester's Honors travel seminars!

Visit http://louisville.edu/honors/current-students/honors-courses/spring-2014.html for more information about travel seminars and to download the travel applications. Applications must be submitted by *October 18 at 4:30 PM*. The travel seminars this year are:

Woodcock National Travel Seminar

ART + Urban Philanthropy: How Modernism Invaded Philadelphia - WR

HON 336/346-75, MW 5:30-6:45

Dr. Patricia Condon

Overseers' International Travel Seminar

Modern Irish Literature & Culture: Fiction, Poetry, Politics, Drama, and Film - WR

HON 336/346-01, MW 4:00-5:15

Dr. Suzette Henke

HONORS ADVISING SIGNUPS

Attention Honors students: *important advising information follows!* If you have not yet already signed up for advising, make sure to do so **immediately**!

Do I need an appointment with an Honors Advisor?

Only the following students *must* make appointments with an Honors advisor:

- All HON 101 students.
- All incoming Fall 2013 Honors freshmen enrolled in the College of Arts & Sciences with fewer than 24 hours earned (not including Fall 2013 classes).
- Any current Honors student or Honors Scholar who wishes to take an Honors class or Scholars Seminar in Spring 2014.

The following students are *not required* to see an Honors advisor:

- Students not currently on Good Standing (or Probation) within Honors or Honors Scholars.
- Honors students (excluding HON 101 students and incoming Fall 2013 A&S freshmen) who do not wish to take an Honors class or Scholars Seminar in Spring 2014.
- Honors students and Honors Scholars planning to graduate by December 2013.

After a couple electronic complications, all Honors students should have received an email from GradesFirst allowing them to sign up for Honors advising appointments. Appointments will begin Monday, September 9 and continue until Wednesday, October 30. **Priority registration begins Friday, November 1 at 8:00 AM.**

HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL

HONORS VOLUNTEERS PROGRAM

Throughout the academic year, the Honors Volunteers Program (HVP) plans and participates in a wide variety of volunteer service activities. The following are some of the ways you can get involved with HVP in the upcoming weeks:

- To learn more about HVP and the service opportunities available to Honors students, make sure to come out to the **second HVP meeting of the year**. The next HVP meeting will be held on *October 10 from 12:20 to 12:50 PM* in the Etscorn Honors Center classroom.
- **Reverse Trick-or-Treat** with the Family Scholar House is being planned for *October 31 at 5:00 PM*. Students can meet to carpool from Threlkeld Hall at 4:40 PM.

If you're interested in HVP, make sure to join the listserv for the most up-to-date information. Email Morgan Blair (the leader of the Honors Volunteers Program and Volunteer Vice President of Honors Student Council) at msblai03@louisville.edu to learn more about HVP, to be added to the listserv, or to RSVP for the Reverse Trick-or-Treat event.

THE WHITE SQUIRREL LITERARY MAGAZINE

Once upon a time, *The White Squirrel* (the University of Louisville's Literary and Arts Magazine) was part of Honors Student Council. A couple years ago it became its own registered student organization, but Honors Student Council and the Honors Program are still happy to support this vibrant and successful magazine.

If you're interested in becoming an editor for *The White Squirrel*, make sure to check out their Editor Interest Meeting, being held on *September 24 and 25 from 6:00-7:00 PM*, in the Honors Etscorn Classroom.

If you have any questions about *The White Squirrel* or the Editor Interest Meeting, contact Tessa Withorn, the Co-Editor-in-Chief, at trwith01@louisville.edu.

The White Squirrel Editor Interest Meeting

September 24th and 25th 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Honors Etscorn Classroom

The White Squirrel, the University of Louisville's Literary & Arts Magazine, is holding interest sessions for potential editors on Tuesday, September 24th and Wednesday, September 25th from 6-7 pm. Attend whatever date is most convenient for you! We would love to have you join our team.



FIRST YEAR INITIATIVES

The Office of First Year Initiatives (FYI) helps to make sure you have a successful and fun first year! FYI is especially interested in engaging students with our **Book-in-Common (BinC)**, *This I Believe*. Upcoming FYI events include:

September 25: Values Card Sort

Shumaker Research Building, room 139

Your values can have a profound effect on the decisions you make, like what major and career you choose. Join the Career Development Center and FYI/BinC

in identifying which values guide YOUR everyday life. FREE snacks!

September 26: 80 Years Later: Leading the Eleanor Roosevelt Way

Chao Auditorium in Ekstrom Library, 6:00-7:00 PM

In this free public McConnell Center lecture, Robin Gerber discusses the

biography, Leading the Eleanor Roosevelt Way.

October 3: Pride Week Keynote: Janet Mock

SAC Multipurpose Room, 7:00 PM

Writer and social justice activist Janet Mock makes an effort to expand society's limited portrait of womanhood by speaking out about the struggles, triumphs and portrayals of trans women like herself. For more info, visit louisville.edu/lgbt

PEACC

PEACC (Prevention, Education and Advocacy on Campus and in the Community) would like to announce the following upcoming events (make sure to check out **Take Back the Night** on the next page!):

September 25: "*Not My Life*"

Bellarmine University, 5:00 PM

World Affairs Councils film showing: The Global Problem

of Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery.

NATIONAL RESIDENCE HALL HONORARY

The Cardinal Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary needs your help in growing our chapter. The National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) is a resident student run organization that strives to acknowledge those who make a deliberate choice to remain in the residence halls and better their living and learning environment through leadership, service, programming, and role modeling. It is made up of the top one percent of resident student leaders on our campus.

We are now taking nominations for potential new members for our chapter. Requirements to be a member in NRHH include: 1. being an on campus resident and 2. having completed at least one semester of college (12 credits hours, thus no incoming freshmen). New members will need to exhibit leadership attributes, meet high academic standards, and be willing to challenge themselves to grow and develop with other leaders. This year we will be putting an emphasis on the service element of NRHH, and so we request that these nominees also have community service experience or are willing to dedicate some of their time to the University and Louisville communities. To nominate, send the name and contact info (if known) of the nominee to NRHHCardinalChapter@gmail.com by *Thursday*, *September 19, 2013 at 11:59 P.M.*

If you have any questions, please contact Joel Houlette, NRHH President at jthoul01@louisville.edu or Ashley Hazen, NRHH advisor at ashley.hazen@louisville.edu.

TAKE BACK THE NIGHT

The 2013 Take Back the Night will be held on **Tuesday**, **September 24 from 5:30-7:30 PM in the Red Barn!** We are so inspired by the people who have spoken out against injustice at great personal risk that our theme is: *The Power to Speak! The Power to Hear! The Power to Act!* We invite you to join us as we listen to their powerful stories.

Our keynote speaker this year is **Susan Burke**, who is spearheading a nationwide series of lawsuits designed to reform the manner in which the military prosecutes rape and sexual assault. Her work on this project is the subject of a documentary premiering at Sundance called <u>The Invisible War</u>, which we will be screened at the Floyd Theater at 2:30 PM on September 24.

Take Back the Night 2013 will also include:

- Speak-out Session, a candlelight vigil and march around campus.
- Remarks by UofL Provost Shirley Willihnganz, Mayor Greg Fischer, and Congressman Yarmuth. Angie Fenton of WHAS 11 will be the master of ceremonies.
- Teens from the LouMetro PACT in Action will present their program "Young & PreventinIt".
- An interactive art project created around the statement, "I am Taking Back the Night for...".
- Drumming, musical, and poetry performances from students across the LouMetro Community.
- Men of PEACC volunteers will organize our "Green Dot STRONG Pledge Campaign".
- Recognition of the Green Dot She-Ro award.

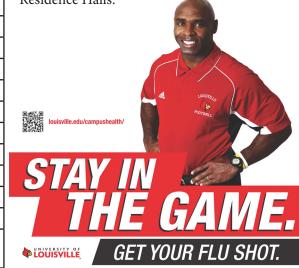
For more details, contact the PEACC Program at 502-852-2663 or peacc@ louisville.edu. A complete listing of our **Week Without Violence** (September 18-24) can be found at www.louisville.edu/peacc!

HEALTH PROMOTION

Free flu shots are available for University of Louisville students, faculty, and staff! For more detailed schedules of Health Promotion's other free programs, and to register for your flu shot, visit louisville.edu/campushealth

Health Science Campus Schedule		
Sep 16	10:30 AM - 2:00 PM	Kornhauser Aud
Sep 17	2:00 – 5:00 PM	Kornhauser Aud
Sep 19	7:30 – 9:30 AM	HSC Fitness Center
Sep 20	1:00 – 4:30 PM	HCOC Conf Room
Sep 24	8:00 AM - 12:30PM	HCOC Conf Room
Sep 26	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Dental School Rm 124
Belknap Campus Schedule		
Sep 23	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Miller IT (MITC)
Sep 24	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Miller IT (MITC)
Sep 24	4:30 – 7:00 PM	Unitas Hall
Sep 25	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	SAC
Sep 25	4:30 – 7:00 PM	Community Park
Sep 27	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	SAC
Oct 2	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM,	Law School
	4:00 – 5:00 PM	

FREE Cold & Flu Kits for students are available at the Ville Grille, Health Promotion Office, Campus Health Medical Services, and Residence Halls.



Additional events sponsored by Health Promotion:

- <u>Tuesday and Thursday nights 8:15-9:30 PM</u>: **Yoga** will be held in the Cardinal Towne Avenue Room. FREE for students! Bring your own mat or a large towel.
- Every Wednesday 11:00 AM-2:00 PM: Free and confidential STI testing will take place in the Health Promotion office. First come, first served. Look for the red and black balloons!

REACH

REACH provides academic services and specific support programs to enable students to better prepare and adapt to college life and to enhance their academic skills and performance in college courses. For more information about REACH and the programs it offers, call the Learning Resource Center (502-852-7516), visit http://reach.louisville. edu, or email lrctutor@louisville.edu.

GRE Review Tutoring

Interested in Graduate School? The Learning Resource Center in Strickler Hall, Room 107, is offering FREE GRE review sessions for University of Louisville students only! Review GRE test taking strategies in a series of workshops. Get advice and a head start with tutors who have scored well in the past. Get ahead, be prepared, score well!

September 25: *Introduction, Qualitative/Verbal and Writing Section*

Strickler Hall, Room 111, 4:00-6:00 PM

Quantitative/Math Section October 2:

Strickler Hall, Room 111, 4:00-5:30 PM

MCAT Review Tutoring

Interested in Medical School? The Learning Resource Center in Strickler Hall, Room 107, is offering FREE MCAT review sessions for University of Louisville students only! Review MCAT test taking strategies in a series of three workshops. Get advice and a head start with tutors who have scored well in the past. Get ahead, be prepared, score well! MCAT Tutor: Divine-Favour Anene.

October 16: *Introduction to the MCAT, Verbal Reasoning / Writing*

Strickler Hall, Room 111, 5:00-7:00 PM

Physical Sciences October 23:

Strickler Hall, Room 111, 5:00-7:00 PM

October 30: Biological Sciences

Strickler Hall, Room 111, 5:00-7:00 PM



Student Success Seminars

Based on the First Year Initiatives 2013 Book-in-Common, This I Believe, the REACH Student Success Seminars this year will help you think critically about what you believe it takes to be a successful college student. Each seminar will not only have you rethink the beliefs and assumptions you hold regarding the strategies you currently use, but also about new strategies you have yet to use.

REACH Believes in...



Meeting the Challenge of Time

- Wednesday Sept 43-3:50
- Thursday Sept 12 2:30-3:20 & 5:30-6:20

Becoming Savvy with Textbooks

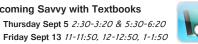
Monday Sept 23 4:00-4:50

Friday Sept 20 11-11:50, 12-12:50, 1-1:50



Studving Smarter

- Thursday Sept 19 2:30-3:20 & 5:30-6:20
- Friday Sept 27 11-11:50, 12-12:50, 1-1:50



Becoming a Disciplined Student

- Friday Oct 11 11-11:50, 12-12:50, 1-1:50
- Monday Oct 14 4:00-4:50
- Wednesday Oct 16 3-3:50
- Thursday Oct 17 2:30-3:20 & 5:30-6:20



Taking Effective Notes

- Friday Sept 6 11-11:50, 12-12:50, 1-1:50
- Monday Sept 16 4:00-4:50
- Wednesday Sept 25 3-3:50



Acing the Test

- Monday Sept 9 4:00-4:50
- Wednesday Sept 18 3-3:50
- Thursday Sept 26 2:30-3:20 & 5:30-6:20

All Student Success Seminars

take place in Strickler 111



Preparing for Finals

- Wednesday Nov 6 3-3:50
 - Thursday Nov 14 2:30-3:20 & 5:30-6:20
- Friday Nov 22 11-11:50, 12-12:50, 1-1:50
- Monday Nov 25 4:00-4:50

Online Student Success Seminars

Online Seminars are offered through the REACH Online Student Success Seminar Blackboard Module. To request access to the Online Student Success Seminars visit http://reach.louisville.edu/seminars/student success.html and click on the Online Seminar Request Form. Requests typically take 24 hours to process.

The follow seminars are currently offered online:

Meeting the Challenge of Time

Becoming Savvy with Textbooks

Studying Smarter

Becoming a Disciplined Student

Acing the Test

Taking Effective Notes



http://reach.louisville.edu/seminars/success.html



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MODERN LANGUAGE CONVERSATION TABLES

REACH is offering modern language conversation tables in collaboration with the A&S Modern Language Department faculty. These opportunities to converse are open to all students who wish to practice their language conversation skills.

- 日本語を練習したいですか? REACH invites you to speak **Japanese** and meet other students. All levels welcome! **Wednesdays from 3:00-3:50 PM in Strickler 107.**
- Willkommen! REACH is excited to offer students the opportunity to practice their **German** skills! All levels welcome, but conversations will focus on basic skills. *Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00 PM in Strickler 107*.
- ¡Ven con tus amigos y practica un poco de español! REACH invites you to "LA CHARLA" (Spanish Conversation Tables). You can practice speaking **Spanish** or just listen. Intermediate level Spanish students taking SPAN 201 or SPAN 202 are welcome. *Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30 PM in Strickler 107.*
- Venez nous joindre à La Table Française! Come join us for an hour of conversation in French! All levels are welcome! It's a great opportunity to speak French and meet friends. Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00 PM and Thursdays 2:30-3:30 PM in Strickler 107.
- المستويات! REACH and the Arabic department invite you to **Arabic** Conversation Tables. You can practice speaking Arabic or just listen. All Arabic levels are welcome! **Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30**PM and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 PM in Strickler 107.

CAPITAL SEMESTER

Sponsored by The Fund for American Studies, Capital Semester combines substantive internships, 12 academic credits, career development activities, site briefings and lectures led by policy experts. This fast-paced, fifteen-week residential program provides undergraduate students from around the world with opportunities to gain the edge in today's competitive job market and graduate school admissions, and experience the excitement of Washington first-hand.

SAMPLE PAST INTERNSHIP SITES

- Aerospace Industries Association
- American Legislative Exchange Council
- Children's Rights Council
- Congressional Offices
- First Book
- Foreign Embassies
- Gannett News Service
- Institute for World Politics
- K-global Public Relations
- Philanthropy Roundtable
- Politics Magazine
- The Washington Examiner
- U.S. Department of Education, Justice, and Treasury
- Voice of America
- WJLA ABC 7 News
- WTOP News Radio

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- Internships Competitive placements with government agencies, congressional offices, public policy groups, international affairs organizations, news outlets, communications firms and nonprofits
- **Housing** Roommate matching and furnished Capitol Hill apartments in the heart of D.C.
- Classes Full-time course load accredited by George Mason University
- Guest Lectures With Washington's top policy and economics experts
- Exclusive Briefings At the World Bank, State Department, U.S. Capitol and Federal Reserve
- Leadership & Professional Development Leadership, mentoring and career building activities
- **Networking** Interaction with seasoned professionals and student leaders from around the world
- **Scholarships** Generous scholarships are awarded based on merit and financial need

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the *Final Deadline of November 5, 2013*. Students are encouraged to apply for the early deadline of October 1, 2013 to receive a 5% discount on their tuition balance as well as priority internship placement. Detailed information on the program may be found at www.DCinternships.org/CS. For more information and an online application, please visit our website www.DCinternships.org/CS or contact Dana Faught, Recruitment and Admissions Manager at dfaught@tfas.org or 202-986-0384.

SOCIETY OF TOXICOLOGY

Undergraduate Faculty, Undergraduate Students

YOU could earn a travel award to attend the Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting

Phoenix, Arizona • March 23-27, 2014





Toxicology is the science that explores the negative effects of chemical, physical, and biological agents on living organisms and the ecosystem.

October 9, 2013 is the deadline for undergraduates to apply for the Society of Toxicology's 3-day Undergraduate Education Program at our Annual Meeting in Phoenix March 22-24, 2014. Students who are potential graduate school candidates are encouraged to apply to attend this excellent program designed to guide talented undergrads to successfully navigate the path to graduate school and a research career in toxicology.

There are various competitive travel award programs to assist advisors and undergraduate students gain financial support to attend the meeting. Awards are available for minority students, students at institutions receiving low science funding, and students who submit abstracts for presentation at the meeting.

For more information about this opportunity, please contact J. Christopher States, Ph.D., Professor and Distinguished University Scholar of the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology, at jcstates@louisville.edu.



Undergraduate Student and Advisor Travel Awards



- Complimentary Undergraduate Registration for the SOT Meeting
- Travel and Lodging Awards for...
 - Students from groups underrepresented in the sciences and their advisors;
 - Students attending institutions that receive low levels of federal funding for science; and
 - Students presenting their toxicology research at the Annual Meeting.
- Special 3-Day Undergraduate Program—March 22–24, 2014
 - Learn about the science of toxicology
 - Develop strategies for applying to and being successful in graduate school
 - Network with graduate students, toxicologists, and other undergraduates
 - Meet graduate school and summer internship program directors
 - Attend SOT Annual Meeting events

More information and applications are available at

www.toxicology.org/undergraduate
Application Deadline October 9, 2013



A Toxicologist...

- Advances the understanding of biological processes.
- Writes health warnings and sets pollution limits.
- Tests and evaluates drugs and consumer products for safety.
- Conducts laboratory research to figure out when chemicals could be harmful and how to make them safer.

- PLEASE POST -

POSTERS-AT-THE-CAPITOL

Posters-at-the-Capitol (scheduled for **February 28, 2014** at the state capitol in Frankfort, KY) is designed to celebrate the research, scholarly, and creative experiences of undergraduate students at Kentucky's public higher education institutions. The event provides students with the opportunity to present their projects to state legislators and to impress upon them the importance of faculty-mentored projects to the overall education of Kentucky students.

Poster presentations are being sought from undergraduates in all disciplines. *Abstract Deadline is Wednesday*, *October 16*, *2013*. Register and submit an abstract at http://campus.murraystate.edu/services/URSA/.

For more information, contact Pamela W. Feldhoff, Ph.D., at pwfeld01@louisville.edu.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE LEARNING PROGRAM

Service and travel in your future? They could be this Spring!

Want to guarantee a special Spring 2014 semester? Consider participating in the university's International Service Learning Program. For details on Spring Break projects in Belize or Trinidad/Tobago or post-semester work in Botswana or Croatia, go to http://Louisville.edu/student/isl or talk with Dr. Joy Hart (joy.hart@louisville.edu) or Dr. Kandi L. Walker (kandi.walker@louisville.edu). The priority deadline for applications (available on the website) is late September to early October. The program is open to students of any major. Students will take a 3-hour discipline-specific course and participate in an interdisciplinary team. Learn, serve, gain cross-cultural experience, and have a life-changing spring term!

NATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE

Need a change of scenery? Want to meet new people? Looking for courses not offered at the University of Louisville? Scouting out graduate or professional schools? National Student Exchange (NSE) will let you do all these things and more at one of nearly 200 schools in the U.S. and Canada while still paying University of Louisville tuition.

Applications for exchange in 2014 and 2015 will be due in the spring, but it's never too early to start planning. Contact Andrew Grubb at abgrub02@louisville.edu or 852-1482 for more information.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE BREAKS

Interested in world travel? **Alternative Service Break in December to the Dominican Republic might be for you!** We will be working on constructing a new school for the community along with ecological projects. The cost is \$1900 including travel and lodging. **Application priority deadline is October 1** and is available at https://orgsync.com/41108/forms/79449 along with more information about the trip. *Funds are due at time of application.* The service break will take place December 14-22, 2013.

TEACH FOR AMERICA

For free food, and a chance to learn about a fantastic post-graduation opportunity, come to the Etscorn Honor's Center on October 2 from 6:00-8:30 PM as a part of **Teach for America's Leadership, Scholarship, and Service Week**. Please RSVP at the link below:

 $https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1GgbL9SK1aJMuxrLNvBKxwf4M6PEDMHiKJYYSm8_xnto/viewform$

Teach For America (TFA) is an non-profit organization whose mission is to eliminate educational inequity by enlisting high-achieving recent college graduates and professionals to teach in communities throughout the US.

If you have any questions about Teach for America, please contact Taylor Davis at taylor.davis@louisville.edu.