# THE CURRENT UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE HONORS PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

#### Honors Calendar At-A-Glance:

October 28	Honors Movie Night
October 29	Honors Fall Party
October 31	HVP Reverse Trick-or-Treat
October 31	Walk-In Advising
November 1	Walk-In Advising
November 1	Priority Registration
November 7	HVP Meeting
November 15	Yule Ball
November 23	HVP English Conversation Club

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

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All of the pictures featured in this edition of The Current were taken in the festive Etscorn Honors Center.

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# FEATURE ARTICLE

### EMILY MAIDEN: Celebrating 11 Years of Fulbright

With October almost in our rearview mirror, I am happy to say that it's already shaping up to be another great year in the Office of National and International Scholarship Opportunities. For 11 years now, Dr. Patricia Condon, Fulbright Program Advisor, has led the UofL Fulbright charge! Early last week we finalized an impressive 28 applications. Our candidate pool represents graduating seniors, graduate and professional students, and alumni across the University—from medical biology to musicology. The applications are for 20 countries on five continents, including Spain, Mongolia, Brazil, Norway, Tanzania, Korea, and Croatia.

As any of our candidates can attest, the Fulbright application process is a grueling mental marathon and only the fittest of the fit cross the finish line. However, thanks to our Office, you don't have to be alone for a single step of the journey. Under the leadership of Dr. Condon, we provide workshops, application examples, faculty mentorship, and a stringent final review process-- all designed to make your application the absolute BEST it can be! We congratulate all our candidates for submitting strong applications and look forward to hearing the initial results from the National Review Committee in January.

Aside from Fulbright, this fall our Office was proud to support candidates for THREE of the 'Big Brit' Scholarships. UofL's Rhodes candidate is Clayton Coleman, a former UofL swimmer who is currently serving as a Fulbright ETA in Cyprus. Two Honors students have applied for the Marshall Scholarship, which provides two years of funding for graduate programs in the U.K.—Patrick McClure and Brittany Hubert. Finally, Patrick is reprising his role as a Gates-Cambridge Scholarship candidate; this year he hopes to bring home PhD funding as his prize. We should know the preliminary results of these competitions soon.

Check *The Current* for information about upcoming scholarship opportunities. Up next: English-Speaking Union, Critical Language Scholarship, Goldwater, and Boren. Stop by the Office for more details or email me at emily.maiden@louisville.edu. 🕸

"The Fulbright process is challenging, but the UofL Fulbright team is incredibly professional, concise, and supportive." Sean Welch, applying to Hungary for Democratization Research.



Fulbright ETA candidates Johanna Yun and Spencer Scruggs speak with former ETA to Sri Lanka Tejas Shastry.

"The Fulbright process has brought me an enormous step closer to realizing myself academically and personally." Morgan Blair, applying to Greece for an English Teaching Assistantship.



Fulbright candidate Rae Hodge discusses her research proposal with Dr. Bonnie Fonseca-Greber at the Fulbright Speed Dating Workshop.



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### WALK-IN ADVISING!

Priority registration is quickly approaching (Friday, November 1)! If you have not yet made an appointment with an Honors advisor, we have a limited number of availabilities remaining prior to October 31, so please check your GradesFirst campaign email for the link to schedule an appointment before they're all gone! If you have any trouble with accessing GradesFirst, please feel free to contact the front desk of the Etscorn Honors Center at 502-852-6293 to request an appointment this way instead. We will not be able to schedule any new appointments for priority registration after Wednesday, October 30.

We will be holding Walk-In Advising on October 31 and November 1 from 8:30-11:30 AM and from 1:00-4:00 PM in the Etscorn Honors Center in Threlkeld Hall on a first-come, first-served basis. These meetings are for quick questions and last-minute concerns. They will not be full-fledged advising appointments and are only intended to provide short conversations to make changes to one's Honors classes or other such brief concerns.

## GRADUATE SCHOOL SPOTLIGHTS

Are you interested in attending medical, law, or dental school?

If this describes you, the Honors Program would like to invite you to our Graduate School Spotlights. At these events, you can get an inside look into the admissions process of these University of Louisville programs. You'll be able to:

- Meet with admissions and current students.
- Learn what it takes to be competitive.
- Participate in a question and answer session.

Light refreshments will be served. Contact Ketti Tonnemacher in the Honors Program at aktonn01@louisville.edu if you have any questions about these spotlights.



**Medical School Spotlight** November 8, 2013 12:30-1:30 PM Etscorn Honors Classroom

Law School Spotlight November 12, 2013 4:30-5:30 PM Honors Overseers House Classroom



**Dental School Spotlight** December 6, 2013 12:30-1:30 PM Etscorn Honors Classroom



Have you seen flyers for Honors Program and Honors Student Council events? They're placed in the Etscorn Honors Center, Honors Overseers House, and all over campus!

# HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL



### HSC WELCOMES YOU TO FALL-O-WEEK!

- Monday, October 28: Honors Movie Night featuring *Children of the Corn* and *Paranormal Activity* Take a break this month with HSC. Food, drinks, and a mini movie marathon will be the study break you've been longing for ALL semester. Join us *starting at 5:30 PM* in the Etscorn Honors Center classroom. You can come late or leave early.
- Tuesday, October 29: *Honors Fall Party* Come join us for fall-themed events, games, and a costume contest! Festivities begin at 7:00 PM in the Etscorn Honors Center. Prizes to winners and food for everyone.
- Thursday, October 31: *Reverse Trick-or-Treat with Family Scholar House* If you've already RSVPed to Morgan Blair, remember to meet at Etscorn Honors Center at 4:30 PM to carpool.

### HSC NEEDS <u>Your</u> input!

We want you to help us bring YOU an event that YOU want. So here's the deal: we are asking you to nominate your favorite professor (from any department) to be a candidate for our Last Lecture Series.

Is this professor inspiring and invigorating? Does this professor captivate your attention? If you answered yes, then we would love for you to email us their name by *October 31*. During the first week of November we will send out a finalized list of the nominated candidates and have a vote to decide which professor will be selected.

Send your nominations to Alyssa Mattingly, HSC VP of Academics, at almatt11@louisville.edu.

### **STUDY TIPS!**

Midterms have passed, but there is still plenty of work to be done! Make sure to take plenty of breaks while you study and pace yourself. Studies have shown that spacing out your learning is much more effective then cramming it all in one sitting.

Check out the REACH website: http://reach.louisville.edu/tutoring/ You can schedule individual tutoring, join tutoring groups, and check information for SI sessions. It's never to late to reach out for studying assistance!

### **HONORS VOLUNTEERS PROGRAM**

Throughout the academic year, the Honors Volunteers Program (HVP) plans and participates in a wide variety of volunteer service activities. HVP would like to invite you to the following upcoming activities:

- The next **HVP Meeting** will be held in the Etscorn Honors Center on *November 7 from 12:20-12:50 PM*.
- Join HVP's English Conversation Club at the Iroquois Branch of Louisville Free Library. The is held on *November 23 from 3:00-5:00 PM*, but students can **carpool from Threlkeld at 2:30 PM**.

Email Morgan Blair (the leader of the Honors Volunteers Program) at msblai03@louisville.edu to learn more about HVP, to be added to the listserv, or to RSVP for any of HVP's events.

## THE WHITE SQUIRREL

*The White Squirrel* invites you to submit your poetry, prose, and art submissions now through *November* **1**! Submission Guidelines for Fall 2013 are available at https://orgsync.com/51648/chapter.

Spring 2013 editions are available in the Etscorn Honors Center, Sunergos on South Preston, Carmichael's bookstores, and online at https://gumroad.com/l/EJmr. Support your fellow students and the literary community for just \$3!

### **HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL**

### \*\* HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTS AN AWARD-WINNING WINTERTIME DANCE



### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>тн</sup> in the RED BARN 7:00 to 11:00 рм

(IT'S AN EXCUSE TO DRESS UP, But dress robes/dress attire is not required)

### ADMISSION: \$5

PROCEEDS BENEFITTING Kosair Children's Hospital

Featuring **DJ KNIGHT** 

\*University of Louisville students <u>MUST</u> show their student IDs; each student may bring up to 2 guests from outside the University of Louisville.

# NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

### **CRITICAL LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) is a summer-only scholarship designed to provide students in all disciplines with the opportunity to study critical languages in countries of national security interest to the U.S. State Department. There is a limited list of languages available and not all languages can be studied at all levels.

Here is the breakdown of possible languages:

- Azerbaijani, Bangla/Bengali, Hindi, Indonesian, Korean, Punjabi, Turkish, and Urdu: Beginning, advanced beginning, intermediate and advanced levels;
- Arabic and Persian: Advanced beginning, intermediate and advanced levels;
- Chinese, Japanese, and Russian: Intermediate and advanced levels.

**NOTE:** You do NOT need our institutional endorsement to apply for this scholarship, but we are happy to help you through the process. We can share essay examples and help you edit your materials.

For more information see: http://www.clscholarship.org National deadline: *Friday*, *November 15*, *2013* 

### **ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION SCHOLARSHIP**

**JUNIORS** interested in studying in the UK: You may want to take advantage of this upcoming opportunity to study in the UK for the summer of 2014. The English-Speaking Union (ESU) Scholarship, open to juniors, provides tuition and room and board for one week in London followed by a three-week summer school program for studies in English literature, art history, creative writing, medieval studies, Shakespeare, history, politics, and society at the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, or Edinburgh.

For more information see: http://www.esuus.org/kentucky/

State Deadline: November 20, 2013 (campus deadline with interviews in early November)

### **BARRY M. GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP**

Calling all STEM students, consider the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program (for research-focused students in the STEM disciplines).

This scholarship funds the undergraduate study of college students who intend to pursue careers as high-level scientists, researchers, mathematicians, and engineers. This prestigious award opens many doors for its winners. **SOPHOMORES** and **JUNIORS** with an established record or research in their field and a high GPA should consider applying.

**NOTE:** Interested STEM students should **make an appointment with Emily Maiden** <u>BEFORE</u> the end of the semester to meet with Dr. Condon! Contact Emily at 502-852-1515 or emily.maiden@louisville.edu OR just stop by the Office of National and International Scholarships, located in the Honors Overseers House.

For more information see: http://www.act.org/goldwater/index.html

The application will be available online starting November 1, 2013.

National deadline: January 28, 2014

# FROM OUR FRIENDS

### **RED BARN SCHOLARSHIPS**

The *Florence M. Strickler Endowment* is in honor of the wife of Dr. Woodrow M. Strickler, the President of the University of Louisville during the founding of the Red Barn in 1969, who is affectionately known as the "First Lady of the Red Barn".

The *Torchbearer Endowment* was created through the efforts of Dr. Dennis C. Golden, who served as Vice-President of the University of Louisville. Four \$400 scholarships are awarded annually through this endowment.

The *Essie Jenkins Torchbearer Endowment* was established in 1999 through the Torchbearer Program. Beginning with the 2008 Spring Semester, one \$400 scholarship will be awarded in her honor.

The *Bridgette Pregliasco Torchbearer Endowment* honors Dr. Bridgette Pregliasco, Assistant Vice President for Student Life from 1995 to 2002, and was established in 2001 through the Torchbearer Program to provide financial resources for adult students. Four \$300 scholarships are granted through the ACCESS Office,

#### Paper Applications are available in the Red Barn Programs Office. Please visit

http://louisville.edu/studentactivities/redbarn/scholarships.html/ for scholarship cover letters, electronic applications, and more information.

### **HEALTH PROMOTION**

**It's not too late!** Campus Health Services is still offering FREE flu vaccines for students, faculty and staff. No appointments necessary! Cardinal Station Center: (502) 852-6479. Health Science Campus: (502) 852-6446.

- Yoga: Tuesday and Thursday nights from 8:15-9:30 PM in the Cardinal Towne Avenue Room. FREE for students! Bring your own mat or a large towel.
- Massages: Sign up today for your \$7 massage! Appointments are Monday through Wednesday from noon to 3:00 PM. You can sign up at louisville.edu/ healthpromotion under 'Stress and Sleep' tab on the left side of the screen.



### QUIZ BOWL

Did you play quick recall or academic team in high school? Do you have a wide range of knowledge?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you should consider joining the University of Louisville Quiz Bowl team. The Quiz Bowl team competes in tournaments throughout the state and region. The team is open to all University of Louisville students regardless of major and year. Last year, the team won both divisions of the Kentucky Collegiate Quick Recall League and also finished 12th at the NAQT Intercollegiate Championship Tournament. At ICT, the UofL team defeated national powers Cornell, Minnesota, Notre Dame, Ohio State, and Chicago. Tournaments are on the weekend and we typically practice once a week. Practices are scheduled around team members' class schedules. If you are interested, please email team coach/sponsor Matt Church at mschur01@louisville.edu or find our Facebook group, U of L Quiz Bowl.

## FROM OUR FRIENDS 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.

#### **MCAT Review Tutoring**

Are you 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 23: *Physical Sciences* Strickler Hall, Room 111, 5:00-7:00 PM
- October 30: **Biological Sciences** Strickler Hall, Room 111, 5:00-7:00 PM

# **REACH AMBASSADORS**

The REACH Ambassadors would like to invite their first-year mentees to a special event on Wednesday, November 6 from 12:30-2:00 PM in Strickler Lobby.

Students can attend the event to make bracelets for the goodie bags at the Kid's Center "Cards for Kids" Fashion Show. This is a great service opportunity and a chance to interact with your **REACH Ambassadors!** Free food and drinks provided.





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

#### Becoming Savvy with Textbooks

- Thursday Sept 5 2:30-3:20 & 5:30-6:20
- Friday Sept 13 11-11:50, 12-12:50, 1-1:50
- Monday Sept 23 4:00-4:50

#### 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

take place in Strickler 111



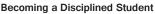


fb.me/UofLREACH http://reach.louisville.edu/seminars/success.html



#### Studying Smarter

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



- 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

#### 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



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All Student Success Seminars



### FROMOUR FRIENDS 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.



### FROM OUR FRIENDS LEONARD CASSUTO LECTURE: THE ACADEMIC JOB MARKET

The academic job market is a monolith that looms over the lives of most graduate students, but part of the reason it's so imposing is because it seems so inscrutable and impenetrable. Higher education scholar and journalist Leonard Cassuto will explain the role of the market in academic culture of our time and what it takes for graduate students to search for jobs with informed confidence.

All faculty and students are invited to this lecture on *November 14* in room 139 of the Shumaker Research Building. The lecture will be from *3:00-4:30 PM*, with a reception to follow from 4:30-5:30 PM. For more info, and to RSVP, visit http://louisville.edu/graduate/plan/calendar/the-academic-job-market.ics/view.

## 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.

## 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:

October 23:	<i>Campus Sustainability Day</i> Humanities Quad, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Learn what campus and community groups are doing to create a sustainable revolution and how to get involved. "Green" freebies!
October 23:	<i>Let's Talk Lunch: I Believe in a Violence-Free World</i> Cultural Center, 12:00-1:00 PM What do you believe a violence-free world could look like? Join PEACC in dialogue based on the BinC. FREE food!
October 24:	<i>42: The True Story of an American Legend</i> Baseball wouldn't be what it is today without Jackie Robinson. He wrote about his journey in <i>This I Believe</i> . Watch that story come to life on the big screen.
October 26:	<i>How Can We Best Serve? Conference</i> Passionate about making the world better? Want to do more than just talk about it? Join the Engage Lead Serve Board to learn more about the Louisville community, its needs and how you can best serve! For more information and to RSVP for this awesome conference, visit EngageLeadServe.org.

Also, look for the First Year Initiatives Cider Cart on *Wednesday*, *October 23* and *Thursday*, *October 24*. We'll be riding around campus serving up **FREE hot apple cider** (with caramel, cinnamon, and whipped cream!) from *8:30-10:30 AM*.

PEACC

PEACC (Prevention, Education and Advocacy on Campus and in the Community) would like to announce:

October 24:

#### Thursday in Black

All day, all over campus, we ask students, faculty, and staff to wear black as a symbol of strength and courage, representing our solidarity with the survivors of violence. If you, your office, or organization would like to request Thursdays In Black buttons to wear, email peacc@louisville.edu. For more info, contact 852-2663.