Calendar of Events

1/20/13 – MLK Tribute
1/21/13 - University closed - MLK Day
1/22/13 – First day of Spring semester
2/01/13 – CLA Continuing Student Scholarships due

Advising and Walk-Ins

If you need advising assistance, please contact Bobby Bryant, Emily Philipp, or Nicole Nelson!

Call the front desk at (612) 624-4300 or stop in to make an appointment.

Upcoming Advising Walk-Ins: http://www.soc.umn.edu/undergrad/WalkIns.html

The U of M Sociological Association

For a schedule of our events for Spring 2013, Click Here!

Find us on Facebook!
Welcome to Nicole Nelson!

Please join us in welcoming the new peer advisor for the Department of Sociology, Nicole Nelson! Nicole is a first-generation college student and recent transfer student from Inver Hills Community College, where she mentored students in the Humanities department. Nicole looks forward to bringing this experience to her new position and will happily assist Sociology students with course selection, major requirements, and the exploration of myriad opportunities.

Sociology Internship Award!

Do you have or are considering getting an unpaid internship this spring? Then apply for the Department of Sociology’s Barbara Newsome Internship Award! Winter break is a great time to explore internship opportunities and network with community organizations. The Award provides Sociology majors who have unpaid internships in the community related to their major with a $1500 stipend for a minimum of 120 internship hours. Recipients of the award will be students in good standing, majoring in Sociology in the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Minnesota. For more information on eligibility and applying, please see CLA Undergraduate Internship Grant. To explore opportunities, visit the Community Service Learning Center at http://www.servicelearning.umn.edu/. Applications are due Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2013.

Summer Research Opportunity!

The Center for Health Equity (CHE) and the Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) launched the request for applications (RFA) for our 2013 Summer Undergraduate Research Program. Details:

• Applicants must be UMNTC undergraduates from under-represented populations
• All University of Minnesota undergraduates are eligible regardless of citizenship or immigration status
• Send letter of interest (brief email stating interest in program) to Shane Smith at ctsieduc@umn.edu
• Stipend is ~ $424/week for full time work between June 1 and August 30, 2013
• Funding for travel to present at scientific conference for outstanding projects
• Applications due by noon on Tuesday, January 29th, 2013.

More info: http://www.ctsi.umn.edu/education/programs-opportunities/UndergraduateResearchProgram

Paid Tutoring Opportunity!

TRiO Upward Bound is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

• TRiO Upward Bound Academic Year Tutor (work study) - #181647
• TRiO Upward Bound Academic Year Instructor Position - #181644

TRiO UB is a federally funded college prep program focused on helping low income, first generation and urban, Minneapolis high school students achieve their collegiate dreams. These positions are all part of their after school program that runs from M-Th at the University of Minnesota.

TO APPLY: Go to employment.umn.edu and search the position using the requisition numbers listed above. All positions require an updated resume, cover letter, and references; final candidates must pass a criminal background check. Applicants must be available for Orientation and Training on Saturday, Jan. 12 from 8am – 4:30pm.
Get Paid to Tutor Student Athletes in Sociology!

SEEKING: SOCIOLOGY TUTORS
JOB DESCRIPTION: Tutoring student-athletes who are seeking tutoring one-on-one assistance in Sociology.
REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:
- Must be at least a junior in good academic standing.
- Possess an overall Cumulative GPA of 3.0.
- Have taken and passed with and "A" or "B" any course for which you wish to be considered eligible to tutor / or equivalent courses from other universities.
- Be able to provide three recommendations from professors.
- Capable of working flexible hours.
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
Tutors must:
- Demonstrate and model the highest degree of academic integrity.
- Assess and address student-athletes strengths and weaknesses as it pertains to the class and the material.
- Be reliable and punctual for every appointment.
- Possess subject-specific knowledge as well as the ability to present it in creative and effective ways.
- Have a contagious passion for Sociology and learning in general.
- Provide academic assistance to student-athletes who are seeking tutoring either one-on-one or in small groups.
- Be willing to learn and address learning styles and tutoring techniques.
- Thoroughly and accurately document every session.
- Create activities and drills to help student-athletes learn the material.
NOTE: Hours will vary. Pay is $11/HR for undergrads

Application Instructions:
Send an email to Jamie Zamjahn, Coordinator of Learning Services / McNamara Academic Center: jzam-jahn@umn.edu. Please attach a current resume, cover letter, list of references, unofficial transcripts, and hours of availability.

Become a Research Assistant at the Fourth Judicial District Court!

Position Description
The Fourth Judicial District is looking to hire four temporary Research Assistants to conduct the surveys of the court customers for the Access and Fairness Study for Hennepin County. This study is essential to ensure that the Fourth District Court continues to provide high quality customer service to all court users. This position will be responsible for helping the Research Staff of the Fourth Judicial District in securing survey data from defendants, lawyers, and other justice partners in each of the courthouses in Hennepin County. This is a great experience for any individual interested in research or the justice system and pays $17.00/hr. It is a limited opportunity however, as this survey work will be done between January 15 - February 12, 2013.

Minimum Qualifications
2+ years of undergraduate education in Sociology, Criminology, or related field
Must be available for a total of 20 hours over the month for a minimum of 4-hour increments Mon-Fri from 8:00-4:30 pm.
Must be able to get to/from the Downtown and Suburban Courts.
Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing
Ability to stand for extended periods of time
Ability to lift up to 40 lbs.

To apply: email your resume and cover letter to Thomas Pohl, Fourth District HR Coordinator: Thomas.pohl@courts.state.mn.us
Travel to France or South Africa!

The Student Project for Amity among Nations (SPAN) is pleased to accept student applications for two study-abroad groups in 2013: France and South Africa. **Students should apply for this unique opportunity by February 8.**

SPAN provides an opportunity for adventurous undergraduates to do independent research on a topic of their choosing. This spring, the students will meet regularly with the advisor to study the history and culture of France or South Africa and to plan their research project. They will work, study, and travel in the country for eight weeks next summer, then write a research paper (minimum 50 pages) next school year. Upon completion of their work participants will receive eight University of Minnesota credits for the SPAN experience.

To learn more, visit [www.spanalumni.org](http://www.spanalumni.org) or the SPAN office in 331 Soc Sci or call 612-626-1083.

Scholarship Opportunity!

The Department of Political Science has a scholarship that is available to all undergraduates on the Twin Cities Campus called the A. I. Johnson Scholarship. The scholarship is designed to offer financial support to students who are public service orientated and willing to commit to doing a public service internship. Here is a brief description of the scholarship. Applications are available on our department's web site at [http://www.polisci.umn.edu/ugrad/scholarships.html](http://www.polisci.umn.edu/ugrad/scholarships.html).

This scholarship was created to honor **Alfred I. Johnson** who was a Regent of the University and Speaker of the Minnesota House of Representatives. The selected students commit to completing 400 hours in a public service internship. This scholarship provides students with a demonstrated interest in public affairs a stipend for their internships. In 2012-2013, six students received scholarships of up to $15,000 (although scholarship amounts may vary from year to year). Applicants must show evidence of a strong interest in public affairs, with an intention to pursue a career or a vocational activities in public affairs, including any kind of community volunteer activity, organizing to affect public policy, service on government advisory committees, and service in elective offices.

**Applications are due on March 18, 2013** for the 2013-2014 school year.

Dalai Lama Fellowship Opportunity!

The Dalai Lama Fellowship is available to undergraduate students interested in addressing one of four major global challenges:

1. Promoting cooperation and understanding between cultures and religions;
2. Alleviating poverty;
3. Diminishing violence;
4. Promoting the environment.

Students receive a project grant of up to $10,000 and ongoing, personalized support from program officers to undertake mentored projects and then integrate findings and insights from this work back into the lives of their campuses. **Application deadline is Thursday, February 28, 2013.**

For more info, check out: [http://www.csh.umn.edu/Education_Programs/DalaiLamaFellows/index.htm](http://www.csh.umn.edu/Education_Programs/DalaiLamaFellows/index.htm)

Awesome Short-Term Study Abroad Opportunity!

**COMM 3110: Greek Intellectual Revolution (3 credits)**

This two-week study abroad class provides opportunities for students to visit key sites and study major texts associated with the site. The group will spend time in Athens and 4 days "on the road" around Greece with two days on an island to recoup. **The class meets the CLE Global Perspectives theme.**

For more information, visit: [http://www.tc.umn.edu/~nordi062/greek/index.htm](http://www.tc.umn.edu/~nordi062/greek/index.htm) or e-mail John Nordin - [nordi062@umn.edu](mailto:nordi062@umn.edu) - with any questions.
Advising Information!

Sociology advisors handle everything related to your major or minor, college advisors handle everything related to your degree. You should have an appointment with both advisors at least once a year.

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Most Sociology majors will have a college advisor at one of these three places:

1) **CLA Social Sciences** in 575 Heller Hall
   Walk-in hours 9 AM to 4 PM Monday—Friday; Wednesdays until 5:30 PM
   Call 612-626-7714 for appointments

2) **CLA Martin Luther King Jr Program** in 33 Appleby Hall
   Walk-in hours 9 AM to 5:30 PM Monday—Thursday; Fridays 9 AM to 4 PM
   Call 612-625-2300 for appointments

3) **University Honors Program** in 20 Nicholson Hall
   Walk-in hours vary from week to week

Law Event from Political Science!

Attend the “Judges, Lawyers and Law School” event next month! Mark your calendars now for this three-part speaker series next semester. These sessions will be especially helpful to students considering careers in law. All are welcome.

- **Minnesota Supreme Court Justice:**
  - David Stras
  *Thursday, February 14, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
  *(Location TBA)*

- **Attorneys (and Poli Sci Alumni):**
  - Liz Rosar Chermack (B.A. political science 2003, JD William Mitchell College of Law 2009)
  *Monday, February 18, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
  *(Location TBA)*

- **Current Law Students (and Poli Sci Alumni):**
  - 1Ls Mariam Mahmood, Tenzin Pelkyi
  - 2Ls Christopher Demet, Dominick Grande
  - 3Ls Brian Bell, Kenzie Johnson
  *Thursday, February 28, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
  *(Location TBA)*

Remember GoldPASS for Jobs and Internships!

The GoldPASS website contains thousands of listings for jobs and internships, including local, national, and international positions. GoldPASS is exclusively for U of M students and alumni. Make use of this excellent resource!
Community Events!

Martin Luther King Tribute
The annual Martin Luther King, Jr., Tribute will be held on Sun. Jan. 20, 2013, 4:00-6:00 pm, Ted Mann Concert Hall. Featured performers include Vocalist Oleta Adams; Ahmad Lewis (UMN Alum); and students from Walker West Music Academy.

MN Holocaust Remembrance Day
The Jewish Community Relations Council of Minnesota and the Dakotas (JCRC) sponsors the Minnesota Holocaust Remembrance Day event, to be held at the Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda, Tues. Jan. 15, 11:00 am-1:00 pm.

Nicole’s puppy, Echo!