Office of Academic Diversity Initiatives

This news blast is published every Friday during the academic year, and information pertaining to the academic experience for undergraduate students will be considered.

Deadline for submission is 12:00 noon on Thursday to oadi_news@cornell.edu

Information sent to any other email address will not be included.

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OADI News and General Announcements

Welcome back Students!

Allen Porterie ’20, is a OADI Research Scholar who spent his summer at Louisiana State University’s Pre-Doctoral Studies Institute. The research Allen conducted during his summer experience stemmed from his desire to explore how gay Black men are portrayed in theater. To read more about Allen’s summer research, please visit the following link https://research.cornell.edu/news-features/perspective-stage.

Saturday, September 2, 2017 | 9:00 am—4:00 pm | 401 Warren Hall | Don Asher Graduate School Workshop. Are you interested in graduate school? If so, please consider attending the Don Asher Graduate School Workshop. This event is FREE and open to everyone. RSVP here.

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 | 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | 200 Computing & Communications Center (CCC) | Tuesday Lunch Engagement Series: “Opportunities through Air Force ROTC”. OADI’s longest-running weekly series features a wide array of speakers throughout the academic semester. While enjoying casual conversation with the speaker, all are invited to have lunch. For more information, email vl76@cornell.edu.

P3 Applications are now open! Are you interested in pursuing a career in Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, or any licensed professional field? If so, please apply to the Pre Professional Programs. Apply here by September 10, 2017 by 11:59 pm.

Campus and Community Partners

New Fall 2017 Course | ENGL 1605: North/West Campus Dialogue on Race. Like many elite universities in the United States, Cornell prides itself on the diversity of its student population. Yet many students remark how race influences the way Cornellians make friends, socialize, and affiliate on campus. In this interactive course based on facilitated dialogue, students will use their own histories and lived experiences to learn from, and with each other as they examine intersecting issues of race and other aspects of identity, privilege, and oppression dynamics in an
atmosphere of honesty, mutual engagement, and respect. 2 credits. Open to all students. Space is limited to 20 students. Tuesdays 6—8 PM. Contact assistant dean Jennifer Majka at majka@cornell.edu for more information.

Friday, August 25, 2017 | 6:00 – 8:00 PM | Latino Living Center Courtyard | Our Annual Bienvenidos BBQ. Come meet students, faculty, and staff, and learn about the many organizations that are part of the Latino Living Center community! For more information, please contact LLCinfo@cornell.edu.

Friday, August 25, 9:00 am & Monday, August 28, 4:35 pm | 103 Barnes Hall | Luce Scholarship Session. For current seniors. Provides stipends and individually arranged 1-year internships to increase awareness of Asia among future leaders in American society. U.S. citizenship required. May NOT have a professed career interest in Asian affairs or have had significant exposure to Asia. Pre-registration required at BTF1@cornell.edu. More information here.

Tuesday, August 29, 2017 | 5:00 – 6:00 PM | Certificate in Engaged Leadership Orientation. For students who want to turn their interest into involvement. For students already committed to community engagement or exploring/new to Cornell. Dinner provided. Register to ensure a seat.

Wednesday, August 30, 2017 | 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM | Uris Hall Terrace | The Cornell International Fair. Learn how to internationalize your Cornell experience by exploring international and global study on campus and abroad. Students will be able to talk with faculty and staff about study abroad, exchanges, language study, international majors/minors, fellowships, internships, courses with international travel components, and service-learning.

Wednesday, August 30, 2017 | 4:00 PM | Arts Quad | Uniting Communities Welcome BBQ & Resource Fair. Food, music, fun, giveaways! Come learn about majors & minors in Africana Studies, American Studies, American Indian and Indigenous Studies, Asian American Studies, Feminist, Gender & Sexuality Studies, Latina/o Studies, LGBT Studies.

Thursday, August 31, 9:00 am & Tuesday, September 19, 4:35 pm | 103 Barnes Hall | Truman Scholarship Session. Provides up to $30,000 for graduate school. For juniors committed to a career related to social justice issues, planning to work in government or the non-profit sector, with a solid record of leadership and public/community service. U.S. citizenship required. Pre-registration required at BTF1@cornell.edu. More information here.
Saturday, September 9, 2017 | 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM | Call2Action. Interested in taking action through community service and Cornell’s mission of public engagement? Get involved through C2A! Lunch included. Register here by September 1.

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 | 3:00—4:00 PM with discussion to follow | Sage Chapel | Why Are All the Black Kids Still Sitting Together in the Cafeteria and Other Campus Conversations About Race in the 21st Century. Join Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum, President Emerita, Spelman College, a nationally recognized authority on racial issues and the psychology of racism in America, in exploring racial stereotypes and cross-racial dialogue. RSVP here. * The first hundred to RSVP will receive a fully revised and updated copy of Dr. Tatum’s critically acclaimed book, Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria And Other Conversations About Race.

Certificate in Engaged Leadership | Deadline: Sunday, August 27, 2017 11:59 pm. Participate in this capstone experience after taking committed action in your community. Earn the full certificate, qualify for resources and guide rising generations. Stipends are available for this 32-hour commitment. This 7-week dialogue with 15 student leaders from across Cornell prepares you for life after college. If accepted into a capstone dialogue, you are eligible to apply for funding to attend a leadership or engagement conference. Apply here.

Internships and Opportunities

OADI’s Scholarship & Internship Database | Looking for a scholarship or internship? OADI has sourced many opportunities to help guide you in your search! To access the database, click here.

Information Sessions on Rangel, Payne, and Pickering Fellowships | Wednesday, August 30, 2017 | 2:00 PM & 4:30 PM | 100 Barnes, Cornell Career Services. Attend one session with the Director of the Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program, who will discuss these programs, designed for students who plan careers with the US Department of State or the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). The Rangel and Pickering Fellowships provide two years of grad school funding for students who will commit to five years with of foreign service. The Payne Fellowship provides two years of grad school funding for students who will commit to three years with USAID. Freshman through seniors are welcome to attend.

The Charles B. Rangel Graduate Fellowship prepares people for careers in the State Department’s Foreign Service Office (FSO), especially members of minority groups
historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need. The fellowship funds two years of graduate study, internships and professional development activities, and entry into the Foreign Service. Fellows commit to working for at least five years in the FSO upon completion of the fellowship. In 2018, the Rangel Program plans to award 30 fellowships of up to $37,500 each. US citizenship is required.

The Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program provides financial support to students who want to pursue a career in the State Department’s Foreign Service Office. Candidates may be eligible for up to $37,500 in the undergraduate senior year or up to $37,500 each year for two-year master’s degrees in fields related to the Foreign Service such as international affairs, economics, and public policy. Fellows commit to working for at least five years in the FSO upon completion of the fellowship. US citizenship is required.

The USAID Donald M. Payne International Development Graduate Fellowship Program is for people interested in pursuing careers in the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). The fellowship provides up to $90,000 in benefits over two years for graduate school, internships, and professional development activities. The Payne Fellowship encourages the application of members of minority groups who have historically been underrepresented in international development careers and those with financial need. Payne Fellows commit to working a minimum of three years in USAID upon successful completion of the program.

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