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.

OADI News and General Announcements

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 | 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | 200 Computing & Communications Center (CCC). Tuesday Lunch Engagement Series. Scholar Presentations: Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU). 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.

Tuesday, March 14, 2017 | 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | 200 Computing & Communications Center (CCC). Tuesday Lunch Engagement Series: “Post Racial Realities” with Professor F. Michael Higginbotham, author of Ghosts of Jim Crow: Ending Racism in Post-Racial America. 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.

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 | 4:30 – 6:00 PM | Klarman Hall Auditorium | “Saving the Dream for All” featuring Professor F. Michael Higginbotham, Joseph Curtis Professor of Law, University of Baltimore School of Law and author Ghosts of Jim Crow: Ending Racism in Post-Racial America. “The law is a powerful weapon to create racial inequality and racial equality.” Is a post-racial America possible?

Monday, April 24, 2017 | 5:00 – 7:00 PM | Memorial Room, Willard Straight Hall | Community Engagement Showcase 2017. The annual spring Community Engagement Showcase is a poster presentation session where students and faculty display community-engagement projects, network with peers, and recruit for upcoming opportunities. Participants are eligible to apply for monetary awards to further the sustainability of their community-engagement projects. The Community Engagement Showcase is co-sponsored by the Office of Engagement Initiatives, Public Service Center, Office of Academic Diversity Initiatives, and Community Learning and Service Partnership. Contact Rochelle Jackson-Smarr at engagedleadership@cornell.edu for more information.
The application to present at the 2017 Showcase can be found here<https://cornell.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_55swn2ORSOR5FB3>. Students can apply for a monetary award using this same link.

If you do not plan to present, RSVP to attend the event with this link<https://cornell.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_d44c8oa62vPSlcF>.

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**Campus and Community Partners**

**Tatkon Center for First-Year Students | Balch Hall**

**Ongoing drop-in academic support services:**

- Biology course tutoring -- Sun, 3-7pm, 3335
- Writing tutors -- Sun-Thursdays, 7-10pm, 3343
- Study skills tutors -- Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10am-12:30pm, 3335
- Math tutors -- Tuesdays + Wednesdays, 7:30-9:30pm, 3331
- Economics drop-in tutoring, for 1000- to 4000-level courses -- Every Fri, 3:30-5:30pm, 3335

**March 2017 Events:**

- Mon, 3/6, 4:30-6pm, Study Abroad Fair
- Wed, 3/8, 4:30pm, Ace That Prelim!
- Wed, 3/8, 4-5:30pm, Certificate in Engaged Leadership Drop-in
- Mon, 3/13, 4:45-6:15pm, *Strengths Assessment Workshop* presented by Career Services
- Wed, 3/15, 4:30-6pm, Undergraduate Research Advising Drop-in Time for First Years

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**Friday, March 3, 2017 | 12 Noon | 429 Rockefeller Hall Conference Room | Latina/o Studies Program: Fridays with Faculty Luncheon Seminar** with Professor Karen Jaime, Latina/o Studies & Performing and Media Arts, Cornell University. For more information click here.

**Saturday, March 4, 2017 | 2:00 – 3:00 PM | Ujamaa Main Lounge | The Pre-Med Minority Mentorship Program presents "Q&A with Weill Cornell Medical Students of Color". Edwin Rosendo '20, Cornell alum, and Jasmin Harpe '17, John Hopkins and Yale University alumna, will be speaking about medical school applications, gap year opportunities, and what it’s like to be a medical student of color.

**Sunday, March 5, 2017 | 12:00 – 2:00 PM | Statler Hotel Amphitheater | Women in STEM panel with members of the President’s Council of Cornell Women (PCCW).**
Busy on Friday and unable to attend the Scientista & PCCW Symposium or want to spend more time with the accomplished alumnae of the PCCW after the symposium? Have no fear! *Scientista and the President’s Council of Cornell Women will be having a Women In STEM Panel Sunday, March 5th*. This is a great opportunity to mingle with members of the PCCW and hear about their experiences as leaders in STEM. All are welcome to attend our panel! Questions can be directed to scientistacornelluniversity@gmail.com. **REGISTRATION:**
https://goo.gl/forms/MBrdKqmG0fEbKATQ2

**Monday, March 6, 2017 | 7:00 – 9:00 PM | Anabel Taylor Hall, Edwards Room (G14)**
*“The Race Contract”, a lecture and discussion by community organizer, Negesti Cantave.* The purpose of this event is to engage participants in an examination of the way people of the African Diaspora are treated in today’s society, while highlighting the ways in which it continues to be complacent in anti-black white supremacy. This event is funded by SAFC, and co-sponsored by Kitsch Magazine.

**Tuesday, March 7, 2017 | 4:45 PM | Hollis E. Cornell Auditorium, 132 Goldwin Smith Hall**
Award-winning historian Heather Ann Thompson will discuss her ground-breaking book about the 1971 Attica prison revolt. This event is free and open to the public. Books will be available for sale and a book signing will follow the talk. Details here: http://events.cornell.edu/event/blood_in_the_water_the_attica_prison_uprising_of_1971_and_its_legacy

**Thursday March 9, 2017 | Noon – 1:00 PM | 6-2-6: Center for Intercultural Dialogue | Thursdays at 626.** Community Discussion with Dr. Renee Alexander: "What's On Your Mind?" Lunch served.

**Thursday, March 9 2017 | 12:00 – 1:00 PM | G01 Biotech | My Experience: Accessibility and Inclusion at Cornell.** Join us to hear a panel of graduating seniors reflect and share about their experience as a student with a disability at Cornell. Light lunch will be served. Presented by Student Disability Services and the Dean of Students Office.

**Thursday, March 9, 2017 | 5:15 PM | Milstein Auditorium | Department of Art Visiting Artist: Sonya Clark.** Co-sponsored by American Studies and Africana studies. As an African-American artist, Sonya Clark uses craft as a means to honor her lineage and expand notions of both Americanness and art. She uses materials as wide ranging as textiles, hair, beads, combs, and sound to address issues of nationhood, identity, and racial constructs. In some of her work, Sonya Clark explores the cultural meaning of hair and all of its heavy and joyous symbolism. The
artist describes hair as power, the essence of identity and a marker of chronology, wisdom and adornment. Visit her website: http://sonyaclark.com/gallery/

**Friday, March 10 | 4:30 -5:30 PM | 105 Kennedy | Cornell Tradition Information Session.** Come join us to learn about The Cornell Tradition, a program that recognizes students who demonstrate work experience, commitment to campus/community service, and academic achievement. 
https://www.facebook.com/events/1195499930567809/

**Friday, March 10, 2017 | 5:00 – 7:00 PM | Willard Straight Hall Memorial Room | Dining with Diverse Minds event centered around Invisible Disabilities.** Hosted by CMM, ALANA and CUDAP. Come out to hear peers' experiences living with invisible disabilities and to discuss what we can do take the stigma away and make Cornell a more invisible disability-friendly campus. Dinner will be served from New Delhi Diamonds. If you have any questions, email nck26@cornell.edu.

**Monday, March 13, 2017 | 4:30 - 6:00 PM | 142 Goldwin Smith Hall | Knight Hennessy Scholars Program - **Of special interest to juniors and seniors: Learn more about the Knight-Hennessy Scholars Program with Derrick Bolton, the program’s dean of admissions, and Beth Fiori, Cornell’s fellowship advisor, at the upcoming information session held at Cornell University. Preregister for the session at: https://apply.knight-hennessy.stanford.edu/register/Cornell2017

**Thursday, March 16, 2017 | 5:15 PM | Milstein Auditorium | Department of Art Visiting Artist: Odili Donald Odita.** Co-sponsored by the Graduate School. Odita was born in 1966 in Enugu, Nigeria, and lives and works in Philadelphia. His abstract paintings explore ways to trigger memory and address the human condition through color, pattern and design. His work explores color both in the figurative historical context and in the sociopolitical sense. Odita says, “Color in itself has the possibility of mirroring the complexity of the world as much as it has the potential for being distinct.” See examples of his work at: http://www.jackshainman.com/artists/odili-donald-odita/

**Thursday, March 23, 2017 | 12:00 – 1:00 PM | MVR 2308 | The Urban Semester is sponsoring the visit of the new Dean of Weill Cornell Medicine, Augustine M. K. Choi.** To attend, RSVP to Cassidy Nagel at crn45@cornell.edu by March 15.

**Natural Leaders Initiative Community Building Events |** Each evening over a meal, up to 25 students will meet 10 community members to learn how to embed your engaged leadership efforts with ongoing local efforts.
Sponsored by Public Service Center and Student Leadership Initiatives

Register here

- Attend one of (or all) three events: youth development (2/22), housing (3/23), or food systems (4/12).
- Dinner provided

For more information about the certificate email engagedleadership@cornell.edu

Certificate in Engaged Leadership Trailhead Events (Entry to all Stages)

For the first time, Cornell is offering a Certificate in Engaged Leadership. Students who apply their leadership and engagement activities toward the certificate will participate in building healthy communities while sharpening their professional skills and preparing for a lifetime of service.

- Trailheads are required entryway to the certificate
- The certificate offers mentorship, financial resources, and a critical reflection framework
- Dinner provided

Register to ensure a seat.

For more information, email us at engagedleadership@cornell.edu

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.

Info Sessions

Info Sessions | Rhodes and Marshall Scholarships Introduction. Of interest to rising and current seniors considering graduate study in the UK who have a strong record of academic achievement (min. GPA 3.85), leadership, and service. If interested but can’t attend any of the below programs, e-mail BTF1@cornell.edu

- Tues., Mar., 7, 4:35 pm – Barnes Hall, Room 103
- Wed., Mar. 15, 4:35 pm – Barnes Hall, Room 103
- Tues., Apr. 11, 1:00 pm (Pre-registration required for 1:00 session at BTF1@cornell.edu) – Barnes Hall, Room 103

For more information visit http://www.rhodesscholar.org/ or http://www.rhodesscholar.org/

Global Youth Connect’s (GYC) Human Rights Delegation in Colombia.

Applications are open for students to participate from June 18th - June 30th, 2017.
The Colombian government and FARC guerrillas recently reached a historic agreement to formally end more than 52 years of armed conflict, the longest running war in the Western Hemisphere. GYC’s delegation provides a fantastic opportunity to experience history in the making. Delegates will gain unique insight into the promises and challenges of conflict transformation, transitional justice, and human rights work in Colombia from leaders building peace throughout the country. Traveling from government meetings in the capital to site visits with social activists in the countryside, the delegation will engage with experts and inspire future work to protect human rights. **Early admission discount deadline: February 15, 2017.** For more information, please visit: [http://www.globalyouthconnect.org/colombia](http://www.globalyouthconnect.org/colombia).

**Cornell University Summer College Peer Tutor positions available.** Cornell University Summer College Program is seeking part-time summer tutors. Position responsibilities include: conducting individual meetings two – three times weekly, review class readings and vocabulary for comprehension and discuss main ideas; examine student’s lecture notes to uncover any lack of understanding and manage tutorials on the material; discuss paper topics, review outlines, and give feedback on first drafts. Throughout the program, tutor will consult with the Summer College director and/or associate director. Tutor will file weekly reports with the Summer College director. See Summer College at [www.summercollege.cornell.edu](http://www.summercollege.cornell.edu) for more information.

**CIAO: Cornell International Affairs Observer.** Do you want to get published? Interested in international affairs? Join CIAO, an online publication for short-form pieces and interviews about international affairs! A publication by the Cornell International Affairs Society (CIAS). Find our Call for Articles at [https://tinyurl.com/gv34h79](https://tinyurl.com/gv34h79).

**Freeman-ASIA Awards for Undergraduate Study Abroad in East and Southeast Asia now open or summer 2017** | For more information, including instructions on how to apply, and the online application itself, please visit [https://iie-freeman.embark.com/apply](https://iie-freeman.embark.com/apply).

**Summer Internships with Student Conservation Association (SCA) Open for Applications** | Working closely with the National Park Service and the US Fish and Wildlife Service, the Student Conservation Association (SCA) has developed paid internships aimed at providing students with the mentorship and hands-on experience needed for the 21st century workforce. Internships are found in a wide variety of fields--education, historical preservation, resource management, visitor service, and many others--but they all have one thing in common: they promote
social, personal, and academic development, and pave the way for professional success. For more information about SCA or to search our other internship and program opportunities, please visit our website at www.thesca.org.

**Summer Internships with the Analyst Institute** | The Analyst Institute helps Democratic and progressive groups figure out what really works in political and social justice campaigns. We share recommendations and provide education and training for the progressive community. We keep a low-profile, but we work with all the big name groups in the progressive ecosystem—labor unions, environmental groups, racial justice organizers, LGBTQIA rights advocates, you name it—from local and state-based groups all the way up to Presidential campaigns. We’re looking to train paid interns, and to launch their careers. We offer two internship tracks: Synthesis and Outreach, and Statistics and Programming. To learn more and apply, click [here](https://www.thesca.org).

**Rolling Deadline - Energy Corps Summer Intern** | The Energy Corps intern positions at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County offer a variety of opportunities to become engaged with solar energy and energy efficiency. The internship explores fields such as solar education, outreach, and adoption; small commercial energy efficiency education and outreach; DIY energy efficiency actions and upgrades. This is a chance to get visible projects into your portfolios and have experience in a not-for-profit organization. Cornell Cooperative Extension has 1.3 million people in its programs in NYS every year, and being part of the multi-state Extension system means you will be interning in a nationally recognized organization. For more information please contact Gibrian Hagood at gah225@cornell.edu.

**Seniors, Apply for the JFK Memorial Award!** | Graduating seniors in any School or program planning a career in government or other public service fields have the opportunity to compete this spring for the annual John F. Kennedy Memorial Award. The Class of 1964 encourages graduating Cornelians committed to making a significant contribution to the public through a career in government or other public service fields where financial rewards may be low or slow to accumulate to apply for the award. This award endeavors to further President Kennedy’s intense interest in realizing the leadership potential of America’s youth. For more information, contact Nicole LaFave at nrw6@cornell.edu. All application materials, must be submitted by the April 10, 2017. Two letters of reference must be received no later than April 17, 2017.
The Tatkon Center for First-Year Students is now hiring Student Assistants for 2017-18. Join the team and help support and shape the first year experience! Application deadline: March 12, 2017 https://orgsync.com/116752/forms/165284. Job description: http://rnsp.dos.cornell.edu/org/rnpsstudentstaffselection/The_Tatkon_Center

Cornell Cooperative Extension, Storm-water Field Work Intern Summer 2017. Pay: $11.00 per hour; Federal Work Study eligible students only. Communities are facing recurring flooding and erosion from intense rain in a short period of time, a trend that is likely to continue due to climate change. Road culverts, ditches & catch basins are part of the stormwater conveyance system. This project takes field measurements of culverts, ditches, and catch basins to help communities map their storm-water infrastructure and meet their NYSDEC storm-water permit requirements. Mapping of the storm-water infrastructure is done in ArcGIS. Data collected from culvert measurements are also used in a model developed at Cornell to determine their flow capacity and if they meet current storm demands. Additionally, data is used in a model developed by the North Atlantic Aquatic Connectivity to assess culverts for aquatic organism passage. Positions for up to 2 interns who will work together as team. Extensive on the job training is provided. Send resume with 2 references, cover letter, and inquiries to Mariah Mahaney at mtm94@cornell.edu

Farm Credit East Summer Internship Program. If you have a passion for using your skills in finance or accounting to help family businesses thrive, check out Farm Credit East’s internship program. Farm Credit East representatives will be visiting the Cortland (Hornell), NY branch office on Tuesday 3/14 to conduct interviews for summer internships. The internship application can be found at farmcrediteast.com/careers

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