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

Students using the OADI computer lab are reminded that there is no food or drink of any kind permitted in the lab.

Weekly on Mondays, starting September 21, 2015 | 3:00 – 4:00 pm | 200 Computing & Communications Center (CCC). Personal Finance: Drop-In Hour @ OADI with Gretchen Ryan, CPFM, Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment. Questions or curiosity about personal finance topics such as budgeting, credit, student loans, preparing financially to move off campus or saving while in college? The hour is all yours – quick questions and longer discussions welcome! Contact weh8@cornell.edu for more information.

Tuesday, September 22, 2015 | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm | 200 Computing & Communications Center (CCC). Tuesday Lunch Engagement Series: Financial Literacy, with Gretchen Ryan, CPFM, Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment. 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 oadi@cornell.edu.

Off-Campus Opportunities Fund Common Application

Effective August 28, 2015, OADI individual funding for international experiences will use a streamlined application system called the Off-Campus Opportunity Fund (OCOF) which is a common application for students seeking financial support for off-campus experiences. The fund consolidates the application and awarding process of five previously distinct grants offered through the following central units: Cornell Abroad; Engaged Learning & Research; Center for Intercultural Dialogue; Office of
Campus and Community Partners

Friday, September 18, 2015 | Noon | 4th Floor Rockefeller Hall Conference Room. Fridays w/Faculty Seminar: *Institutional Examination of Varying Local Approaches to Implementing DACA* with Prof. Christopher Hernandez, Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering. Lunch sponsored by Latina/o Studies Program. Email mfd1@cornell.edu for more information.

Friday, September 18, 2015 | 12:00 – 2:00 pm | Africana Studies & Research Center, Multipurpose Room. *The Road from Cornell to Oxford and the World* with Rhodes Scholars Rachel Harmon ’15 and Christopher Dobyns ’13 (via Skype). Reception for Homecoming Friday to include lunch. All are welcome.

Friday, September 18, 2015 | 6:30 pm | Latino Living Center, Main Lounge. *Pathways to Graduate School*. A panel discussion about finding your path into graduate school with panelists from various fields who will share their tips and insight about preparing/applying to their respective programs (Material Sciences, Biochemistry, Government, Communication and Law). Email mfd1@cornell.edu for more information.

Thursday, September 24, 2015 | Noon – 1:00 pm | 626 Thurston Ave. Thursdays at 626 – *Meet the Vice President of Student and Campus Life!* with Vice President Ryan Lombardi. Lunch is served. Email rta3@cornell.edu for more information.

Friday, September 25, 2015 | Noon | 4th Floor Rockefeller Hall Conference Room. Fridays w/Faculty Seminar: Dean Eduardo Peñalver ’94, Allan R. Tessler Dean and Professor of Law, Cornell University. Lunch sponsored by Latina/o Studies Program. Email mfd1@cornell.edu for more information.

Tuesday, September 29, 2015 | 4:45 pm | Kaufmann Auditorium, Goldwin Smith Hall. *Abolitionism, Modern ‘Anti-Slavery’ and #Black Lives Matter*
with Cornell Professor Edward Baptist. In recent years, concerns about forms of human trafficking in the neoliberal global economy have led to the emergence of a movement that defines itself as “anti-slavery.” While consciously identifying itself with historic abolitionist movements against the nineteenth-century enslavement of Africans in the Atlantic world, modern ‘anti-slavery’ has not drawn the lessons of abolitionists’ failure to reconstruct the racial economy of the Western world. Email ab449@cornell.edu for more information.

Thursday, October 1, 2015 | 4:00 – 5:00 pm | 401 Physical Sciences Building. *The Building Blocks of Belonging and Success in College*, with Terrell Strayhorn, Ph.D., Director, Center for Higher Education, Dept. of Educational Studies, Ohio State Univ. Strayhorn presents an operational definition of belonging and the core elements of his belonging theory, sharing insights and engaging the audience to think about how campuses can use belonging to increase success for all students.

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**Internships and Opportunities**

**Application Deadline Wednesday, September 30, 2015 | Apply to be a Student Speaker for 2015 Ideas for a Better World.** An annual workshop series showcasing innovative strategies that support the greater good and a sustainable society. Click here for application [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1dVKiZyglA5rTpoMuquL83nuARvItcFeHfEDMWIWKM/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1dVKiZyglA5rTpoMuquL83nuARvItcFeHfEDMWIWKM/viewform) Email edm93@cornell.edu for more information

**Application Deadline Monday, October 5, 2015, 11:59 pm Eastern | Apply to Live at Telluride House at Cornell.** Telluride House is a community of undergraduates, graduate students and faculty fellows passionate about intellectual inquiry, democratic self-governance and community living. Click here to download the application [www.telluridehouse.org/apply](http://www.telluridehouse.org/apply). Attend open houses
- **Monday, September 21, 2015, 4:30 – 7:00 pm | 217 West Avenue**
- **Tuesday, September 22, 2015, 4:30 – 7:00 pm | 217 West Avenue**
To learn more about the application process, email cbta.apply@tellurideassociation.org

**Application Deadline Tuesday, October 6, 2015, 11:59 pm Central | Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship.** This scholarship program diversifies the kinds of students who study/intern abroad and the countries/regions they might go by offering awards to U.S. undergraduates who might not otherwise participate due to financial constraints. Click here for application and qualifying criteria [http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program](http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program)
Info Sessions | Truman Scholarship | Email btf1@cornell.edu for criteria and more information

- Tuesday, October 6, 4:35 pm, 103 Barnes Hall

Info Sessions | Goldwater Scholarship | Email btf1@cornell.edu for criteria and more information or visit https://goldwater.scholarsapply.org/

- Tuesday, September 22 @ 4:35 pm, 103 Barnes Hall
- Wednesday, October 7, 4:35 pm, 103 Barnes Hall

Engineering Programs Study Abroad Info Sessions. Are you an Engineering student thinking about studying abroad? Attend an info session to get help to think through the study abroad process, have questions answered about policies and procedures, and get assistance in planning your curriculum:

- Monday, September 28 @ 4:45 pm, Olin 155
- Wednesday, October 27 @ 4:45 pm, Olin 155

Application Deadline November 1, 2015 | 2016 PPIA Fellowship. For current juniors ... this program prepared undergraduates to be competitive for top degree programs in public policy, public administration or international affairs. Click here for eligibility criteria: http://www.ppiaprogram.org/ppia/what-we-do/junior-summer-institutes/eligibility-benefits/

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