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

OADI WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2015 FOR THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

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

Tuesday, September 8, 2015 | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm | 200 Computing & Communications Center (CCC). Tuesday Lunch Engagement Series: New York State Assemblyman Michael Blake. 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. Co-sponsored by the Intercultural Center @ 626.

Info Session, McNair Scholars Program | Wednesday, September 9, 2015 | 5:00 pm | 200 Computing and Communications Center. Apply for the McNair Scholars Program. Criteria: 1st generation college student w/demonstrated high financial need or underrepresented in graduate education; highly dedicated to earning a PhD; sophomore class standing; GPA 2.75 or higher. Applications due Friday, October 9, 2015. [https://oadi.cornell.edu/programs/student-success-programs/mcnair/application-recommendation.html](https://oadi.cornell.edu/programs/student-success-programs/mcnair/application-recommendation.html) Next Info Session October 1, 2015, 6:30 pm in 200 Computing & Communications Center.

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, CFP, 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.

Popular, New and Returning Courses

**Popular - Intergroup Dialogue Project | EDUC 2610 | Seeking students to enroll specifically in Wednesday and Friday sections.** Students from different social identity groups explore ways to work together to achieve greater equity/social justice around race, gender, disability, religion, socioeconomic status, sexuality using in-class exercises, readings, written assignments and collaborative action projects. Class meets once a week (M, W or F 1:25 – 4:25 pm or M 7:30 – 10:30 pm). For more information, email aeg234@cornell.edu

**Returning - Fall Semester, Weeks 8 – 14 | ASRC 1996 | The Underground Railroad Seminar.** A unique opportunity for undergraduates to explore the abolition movement of upstate New York. Taught by Professors Gerard Aching (Africana Studies) and A.T. Miller (Associate Vice Provost for Academic Diversity). Co-sponsored by OADI, EL&R, and the PSC. For more information, click here: [https://classes.cornell.edu/browse/roster/FA15/class/ASRC/1996](https://classes.cornell.edu/browse/roster/FA15/class/ASRC/1996)

**New - ASRC 3210, TR 1:25 – 2:40 pm | Black Expatriate Writing.** Taught by Professor Kevin Gaines – Africana Studies and Research Center. Examine the phenomenon of the global dimensions of post-WWII African American struggles for equality through the writings of black expatriates in Europe and Africa, and the international presence of black performing artists and intellectuals. Contact africana@cornell.edu for more information.

Campus and Community Partners

**Friday, September 4, 2015 | 4:00 – 5:00 pm | 3330 Tatkon Center, South Balch Hall. General Info Session: Internal Transfer.** If you’re interested in pursuing a major unavailable in your current college or want to know about the internal transfer process and requirements, this info session is for you. Email mjj24@cornell.edu for more information.

**Friday, September 4, 2015 | 6:30 pm | Latino Living Center. Latin@s at Cornell.** Discuss and learn about the presence of Latinos at Cornell throughout the years. Event includes faculty/staff/alums who have helped
shape Cornell’s Latina/o community. Email mfd1@cornell.edu for more information.

**Tuesday, September 8, 2015 | 4:30 pm| Multipurpose Room, Africana Studies & Research Center.** *I Listened to President Obama and Dreamed BIG Dreams with speaker Michael Blake, Assemblyman of NYS 79th District.* Hear the inspiring story of a family who emigrated to the U.S. from Jamaica, seeking new opportunities, but facing many new challenges. Free and open to the public. For more information, email africana@cornell.edu

**Tuesday, September 8, 2015 | 4:45 – 5:30 pm| 3330 Tatkon Center, South Balch Hall.** *An Overview of Cornell Career Services.* Attend to learn what Cornell Career Services has to offer, and become oriented to the many career resources on campus. Email mjf24@cornell.edu for more information.

**Thursday, September 10, 2015 | Noon – 1:00 pm | 626 Thurston Ave.** *Thursdays at 626 – Food (in)Security at Cornell with speakers John Lowry ’16 and Matt Stefanko ‘16.* A conversation about how students are shaping food recovery initiatives in Cornell dining facilities and providing affordable, accessible food items in the soon to open Anabel’s Grocery, Anabel Taylor Hall. Lunch is served. Email rta3@cornell.edu for more information.

**Friday, September 11, 2015 | Noon | 4th Floor Rockefeller Hall.** *Latina/o Studies Welcome Lunch.* A welcome for new/returning students, opportunity to mingle with faculty/staff/friends and check out resources available to students. Email latino_studies@cornell.edu for more information.

**Friday, September 11, 2015 | Noon | 225 ILR Conference Room.** *What Constitutes Quality Community Partnerships? with speaker Dr. Balu Balasubramaniam.* Dr. Balasubramaniam, one of Cornell’s most prominent and long-standing community partners, will introduce a framework and a set of criteria for creating a quality campus-community partnership. RSVP to elr-cornell@cornell.edu

**Friday, September 11, 2015 | 3:30 pm| 102 Mann Library.** *2014-15 Civic Leader Fellows Project Report and Welcome to 2015-16 Fellows.* The program enables leaders involved in economic and community development efforts to work with faculty/students/staff on projects to address community needs by strengthening current or adding new community capacities.
Internships and Opportunities

Application Deadline Sunday, September 13, 2015 at 11:59 pm Eastern | Goldman Sachs 2015 STEM Symposium. Held October 12 - 13, 2015 at Goldwin Sachs headquarters in New York. An interactive program for students with a science, technology, engineering or mathematics background to learn how to build solutions to complex problems during a summer internship. For application and more information, email kelly.conroy@gs.com

Info Sessions | Truman Scholarship | Email btf1@cornell.edu for criteria and more information
- Tuesday, September 15 @ 4:35 pm, 103 Barnes Hall
- 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 who is thinking about studying abroad? Come to one of these sessions 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

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