Dr. Wiley’s Weekly Brief
The GW Political Science Department Undergraduate Newsletter

In this newsletter:
- New internships & job opportunities
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Paid Opportunities

NEW POSTING!!
Seeking an undergraduate research assistant to help with a data categorization project. The RA would help with reading the decisions of state supreme courts and determining if the court upheld or overturned a state statute or government action. This is a paid position.

Those interested should contact Jonathan Hack, a PhD Candidate in the PSC Department. Johack@gwu.edu.

A national Democratic opposition research firm is currently looking for interns for Summer 2018. We do research and policy work for candidates and interest groups across the country.

Candidates should be at least in their sophomore year, have a strong understanding of national politics, and be able to work full days (9:30am – 5:00pm, Monday – Friday). Campaign experience is a major plus, but not a requirement.

This is a paid internship with a $2,000 stipend for the semester.

Anyone who is interested can forward their resume to interns@spirosconsulting.com
Internships

NEW POSTING!!

Summer 2018 Intern Program

Internship in Oregon

Interested in learning about how a district congressional office operates?

Interns in the Beaverton office will assist the outreach staff and caseworkers, research local and national policy issues, help with constituent communication through mail and phone calls, and attend meetings with the Congresswoman.

Internship in Washington, D.C.

Interested in learning about the legislative process and functions of a congressional office?

Interns in the Washington, D.C. office will conduct legislative research, attend hearings and briefings, lead tours of the U.S. Capitol, and answer constituent correspondence about the many diverse issues before the House.

Applications for the summer 2018 internship are due Friday, March 16th

To apply, please visit https://bonamici.house.gov/services/internships

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible to apply?
High school seniors, college students, and recent graduates are encouraged to apply. Preference is given to those with Oregon residency or ties to Oregon. Our office is committed to assigning interns to policy areas that interest them.

When do internships begin and end?
The D.C. and Beaverton offices offer internships for summer, autumn and winter/spring terms. The hours are flexible and can accommodate academic course schedules for both quarter and semester terms.

Is the internship paid? Where will I live if I intern in D.C.?
Interns will be given a monthly stipend. Housing is not provided. The D.C. Intern Coordinator can provide you with a list of places where interns often find housing.

When should I expect to hear back about my application?
The Intern Coordinators make every effort to reply promptly once an application is submitted. If you are concerned about the status of your application, please call the D.C. or Beaverton office.

Who can I contact with other questions?
Oregon Intern Coordinator – 503-469-6010
D.C. Intern Coordinator – 202-225-0853
Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR) is accepting applications for both his 2018 SUMMER and FALL internship programs in his Washington, DC office. As the first in his family to go to college and having interned for former Senator Mark Hatfield in the 1970s, Senator Merkley has experienced firsthand the lifelong impact a Senate internship can have. He is looking for intern candidates from a wide range of backgrounds and experiences who similarly want a chance to see public policy-making up close.

Interns are paired with legislative staff or the press teams based on their interests and experience. Typical tasks and projects include – but not limited to – answering phones and greeting visitors, providing top-notch US Capitol Building tours, contributing to the correspondence process, conducting research, drafting memos, and assisting with other tasks and projects as requested.

Senator Merkley’s internship program includes a shadow day – a day in which an intern has the opportunity to experience a day in the life of a senator. Interns work full time for the summer program and part- or full-time during the fall term. The summer program typically begins late May to mid-June, and the fall term begins late August to mid-September.

There is a 10 week minimum commitment. To apply, applicants should go to the website link: http://merkley.senate.gov/services/students/internships/. Click on the DC Internship Application link and follow the instructions.

Internship are unpaid and the office works with academic programs for credit.

For questions please email DC_intern@merkley.senate.gov or call the Washington, DC office at 202-224-3753 and ask to speak with the intern supervisor.
Upcoming Events/Announcements

The Journal of Politics & International Affairs (JPIA) is seeking qualified student submissions to be published in the Spring 2018 issue. JPIA is a student-run journal that publishes papers written by undergraduate students in the areas of Political Science, International Studies, Economics, Public Affairs, Sociology, and related fields. Publication in the Journal is an opportunity to reach a wider audience outside of the class, as well as a learning experience through the editing and feedback process. We seek to publish high quality papers that address current events and relevant subjects in the area of politics and international affairs. Ideal submissions are both informative and argumentative, with well-developed theses and strong mechanics.

The Journal typically publishes original research, theses, and essays written for upper-level courses although all majors and class ranks are invited.

If this opportunity is of interest to you, we highly encourage you to submit a paper for publication on our website at http://u.osu.edu/jpia/submit-manuscript/. The deadline is March 2, 2018, and submissions are reviewed on a rolling basis. We have recently updated our submission guidelines, which can be found here: http://u.osu.edu/jpia/submission-guidelines/, and ask you to carefully review them before submitting.

Upcoming event at the National Churchill Library and Center located in Gelman library. It is with author of The Impossible Presidency Jeremi Suri. The event will take place on Monday, February 26th at 2:00 PM.
https://library.gwu.edu/news-events/events/impossible-presidency-conversation-jeremi-suri

Capitol Hill Days 2018, which is an advocacy weekend, which will be held from March 16-19, 2018 at the Grand Hyatt in Washington, D.C. The weekend includes informational sessions on international reproductive health issues and an interactive advocacy training, which will prepare participants for a day of lobbying on Capitol Hill.

Capitol Hill Days is open to anyone, and there is no registration fee. You can find more information and the registration/application form here.

College Magazine (925,000 monthly readership) and Ignite National have partnered to give away a VIP ticket and round trip flight to the IGNITE San Francisco Summit at the Google Community Space. The opportunity includes a coffee meeting with an elected official.

https://www.collegemagazine.com/ignite-san-francisco-summit-giveaway/
Politics and Ethics Conference & Leadership Workshop

April 30-May 1, 2018
Virginia International University/ Fairfax, VA

Call for Papers
Today, the question of ethics in politics and its importance for the sustenance of the democratic norms and institution is more important than ever. (Un)ethical leadership affects everyone and has the tremendous implications for our political and economic life. The Conference and Workshop will address these implications in a two-day event. The Politics and Ethics Conference (April 30) will bring academics and practitioners together to present their research, experiences and findings on these issues. The Leadership Workshop (May 1) will feature a series of group discussions, activities and exercises aimed at incentivizing the participants to the problems of the day, and will offer strategies for addressing those issues publicly.

Thematic Areas
1. Ethical Traditions and What They Teach Us
2. (Un)ethical Behavior and the Political Process
3. Agencies and Governments Responding to Ethical Dilemmas
4. Ethical issues and National Leaders
5. Normative Changes and Global Politics
6. Developing Ethical Responses and Leadership
7. Perspective of a Whistleblower

Important Dates
- January 20, 2018: Call for Papers
- March 10, 2018: Abstract Submission Deadline
- April 1, 2018: Early Registration Deadline
- April 30-May 1, 2018: Conference and Workshop

Submissions
Abstracts for papers, oral presentations, and panel sessions for the conference should be submitted by March 10, 2018. Papers and presentations are invited from all areas of public and social policy, law, business, economics and international politics. Abstracts should be no more than 400 words in length and should include a description of the case, the research and/or data, as well as key findings and broader implications. Submit proposals at the following website: https://conference.viu.edu/web/. The proceedings of the conference may be published by Taylor and Francis.

Organizers
The organizers of the Politics and Ethics Conference & Leadership Workshop are Virginia International University (VIU), the University of Chester, and LeaderShape Global. For further information, contact: Dr. Klara Bilgin, Virginia International University at kbilgin@viu.edu, 4401 Village Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030.
Going to Law School?

Free LSAT Logic Games Seminar

Learn quick and easy strategies to tackle the scariest part of the LSAT: Logic Games.

Sponsored by GW’s Pre-Law Advisor

February 26th @ 6:00PM
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GW Knowledge in Action Career Internship Fund
Summer 2018 Student Early Decision Applications Accepted Now Thru March 1

Students who will be interning in unpaid internships this summer are encouraged to apply for the Knowledge in Action Career Internship Fund (KACIF) program. KACIF supports GW students in pursuing high-quality, necessarily unpaid internships that foster their career exploration and enhance their academic program, while reducing the financial challenges associated with necessarily-unpaid internships.

Facilitated by the university's Career Services Council and funded through the generous support of alumni, parents and members of the Board of Trustees, KACIF provides grants ranging up to $3,000 to GW undergraduate and graduate students pursuing internships that are necessarily unpaid.

**Early Decision Applications** accepted February 15—March 1, 2018

**General Decision Applications** accepted April 1—April 15, 2018

Interested students can go to the [KACIF website](#) to review more information, including eligibility requirements and application instructions, and are invited to contact us at gwkacif@gwu.edu with any questions.

You are invited to [watch this clip of past KACIF student recipients](#) thanking donors and talking about their experiences with their internships

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**ADVOCACY & ACTIVISM IN AMERICA**

**WHAT WOULD DU BOIS DO?**

SMPA Professor [Imani M. Cheers](#) is hosting an exhibition and activism workshop for students facilitated by educator and activist [Brittany Packnett](#) to mark the 150th birthday of civil rights activist and author W.E.B. Du Bois.

[REGISTER NOW](#)
Call for papers and panel proposals

VCU POLITICAL SCIENCE
and the
College of Humanities and Sciences
Presents

The 12th Annual Student Research Conference
Friday, April 20, 2018
Virginia Commonwealth University

Undergraduate and junior graduate students are invited to submit proposals to present completed research papers/projects, research-in-progress, or roundtable discussions on any topic related to the general fields of government, international, and public affairs. Students from colleges and universities in and around Virginia as well as national and overseas colleagues are invited to submit proposals. We invite faculty and experts from VCU and other institutions to chair and serve as discussants; each presenter will have 10-15 minutes to speak. The VCU Political Science program offers concentrated study in American Government, Public Policy, International Relations, Comparative Government and Politics, Political Theory and Research Methods, with strong connections to Sociology, Economics, and History, allowing for a wide array of possible paper proposals.

This is your chance to share your interests with faculty and other students, to gain experience presenting your work in a professional conference environment, and to receive useful and constructive feedback on your research. Proposals should contain your name and e-mail address, your university, and your major or department, the title of your proposed presentation, and a single paragraph describing your work, including general topic and what you will argue.

The deadline for submissions is FRIDAY, March 30, 2018. Please e-mail your submissions to VCUConference2017@gmail.com. Those selected to participate will be notified on a rolling basis by e-mail and all will receive replies by no later than Friday, April 6, 2018.

The one-day conference will also include additional panels on internships and careers in government and foreign affairs, a panel with information on graduate schools, and a buffet lunch served for all presenters and panelists in the afternoon.

There is no fee for participation in the conference. If you have questions, please contact Chris Saladino at cjsaladino@vcu.edu or the conference email VCUConference2018@gmail.com
The Undergraduate Journal of Politics, Policy and Society (UJPSS) is a new peer-reviewed academic journal based at uOttawa that provides a platform for undergraduate students to gain practical experience with the academic publishing process.

UJPSS is currently accepting submissions from undergraduate students around the world in the arts, social sciences and humanities. This year our theme is Contemporary Political Challenges. We welcome papers looking at challenges in innovative ways related, but not limited to topics such as: populism, activism and social movements, political conflict, youth politics, challenges to democracy, as well as technology and media politics.

The submission deadline is March 4, 2018. Interested authors should submit their manuscript via the submissions page. All submissions will be entered for the UJPSS Article of the year award, and the author of the winning article will be awarded a $100 cash prize.

For more information, students are encouraged to visit www.ujpps.com or email the editorial team at editor@ujpps.com. Join us on Facebook and Twitter for our of our latest updates.
GW International Students
Spring 2018 Career Programs

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: U.S. JOB SEARCH SUCCESS
Wednesday, January 24 / Marvin Center 309 / 2:00-4:00pm
Understand the U.S. job market and increase your competitiveness by learning job search strategies for success. Specialized international student job search resources will be reviewed and participants will craft and practice their professional introduction to employers.
Program followed by ASK*

WRITING U.S. RESUMES & COVER LETTERS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Tuesday, January 30 / 2:00-3:30pm / Marvin Center 307
Learn how to write a professional resume and cover letter to succeed in the U.S. job market. Review standard resume formats, identify appropriate information to include, and write draft descriptions of your past experiences to demonstrate your top skills to potential employers.
Program followed by ASK*

CURRICULAR PRACTICAL TRAINING (CPT) & THE INTERNSHIP SEARCH
Tuesday, February 13 / 11:00am-12:30pm / Marvin Center 302
For international students in CCAS & SEAS: Learn how to implement an intern or job search and how to apply for CPT work authorization in the U.S. Co-sponsored with the International Services Office.

OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING (OPT) & THE JOB SEARCH
Thursday, February 15 / 11:00am-12:30pm / Marvin Center 302
For international students in CCAS & SEAS: Identify strategies for a successful job search in the U.S. and how to apply for OPT work authorization. Co-sponsored with the International Services Office.

INTERVIEWING IN THE U.S. FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Thursday, February 22 / 2:00-3:30pm / Marvin Center 302
Understand the U.S. interview process and identify interview formats, questions, and communication strategies. Develop and practice your greeting, handshake, and responses to questions in this interactive workshop designed to build your interview skills.
Program followed by ASK*

ALL ABOUT NETWORKING FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Monday, February 27 / 2:00-3:30pm / Marvin Center 307
Learn about the #1 U.S. job search strategy: networking! Clarify your top skills and talents and practice networking with fellow students to Enhance your job search and career success.
Program followed by ASK*

4th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL STUDENT-ALUMNI NETWORKING NIGHT
Thursday, March 1 / 6:30-8:30pm / Marvin Center Grand Ballroom
Attend this special event for international students to network with alumni who attended GW as international students, and are now employed in the U.S. and abroad. Learn from alumni who successfully managed a U.S./home country job search about strategies and opportunities to build your professional future. Co-sponsored with Career Services Council, International Student Community, International Students Office, and Office of Alumni Relations.

COMMUNICATION AND CULTURE IN THE U.S. WORKPLACE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Tuesday, March 6 / 2:00PM-3:30pm / Marvin Center 302
Develop effective communication skills to succeed in the U.S. workplace. Identify cultural expectations and discuss typical interactions you may encounter in U.S. internships and jobs.
Program followed by ASK*

RSVP to all events: go.gwu.edu/handshake

*ASK for International Students: International students are encouraged to meet with the presenter and other students immediately following the program to ask questions and clarify information.
The Hansen Summer Institute is a 3-week summer program that brings 25 fellows from 20 different countries to USD to learn about leadership skills, public speaking, and intercultural management. During this three week program, fellows will build resume capital, international relationships, and ALL EXPENSES ARE PAID FOR.

We are currently seeking American undergraduate students and graduate students between the age of 20-25 for the summer of 2018.

Our applications are due on March 1st.

Please check out our website www.hansensummerinstitute.org for our online application and more information.
Career services offer industry newsletters to help you with your job search. Sign up information is below. Career services is always available to help with resume review, interview prep, and your job search. Visit [http://careerservices.gwu.edu](http://careerservices.gwu.edu) for more on the services they provide.