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March 8, 2010

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1. **Plan II/ KIPP Partnership Now Accepting Mentors for 2010-2011**

Applications are now available to current freshmen and sophomores for the 2010-2011 Plan II/KIPP Mentoring Program and class. The Plan II/KIPP Partnership is a one-hour TC125K course which is centered around Plan II students mentoring middle school students at KIPP Austin College Prep, a local public charter middle school. Mentors will be deeply immersed in issues related to education reform, (in)equality of educational opportunity, and promising strategies for addressing such issues. Adjunct Professor Grant Thomas, who has thirty years of experience with school-based youth mentoring programs and has served on the KIPP Austin Board since 2003, teaches the class and provides additional assistance. Applications and information are available here [http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/current_stdnts/intern/kipp.php](http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/current_stdnts/intern/kipp.php) on the Plan II website. Also keep your eyes open for announcements about upcoming info sessions. The due date for applications is April 9. Questions can be directed to the student assistant, Mia Avramescu [mailto:maia.avr@gmail.com](mailto:maia.avr@gmail.com).

2. **TC 330: Health and Social Policy Formation in the Texas Senate**

Fall 2010 - Spring 2011

Plan II students who will be juniors or advanced sophomores next year and who are interested in medicine, public health, law and government are invited to apply for structured internships in the offices of leading Senators in the Texas Legislature. This six-credit, two semester TC 330 course is led by Professor Alfred McAlister at The University of Texas School of Public Health Austin Regional Campus. It includes seminars and training sessions in the first semester, placement in a Senate office with assignment to selected policy issues, writing assignments and student presentations. Time commitments are for ten hours per week of seminar time and internship work in the Fall and twenty hours per week in the Spring, when the legislature will be in session. These unpaid positions provide a unique opportunity to learn about and contribute to legislative deliberation of policy issues and will be good for six hours of upper-division course credit. Policy issues may include health care funding, public health and preventive medicine, environmental protection, labor safety, international trade and commerce, criminal law, victim services and many other diverse topics.

Fifteen students will be selected for this opportunity. To apply, please provide your name and contact information, expected graduation date, major, plans for postgraduate education, career goals, GPA, résumé, and a brief statement of interests and qualifications. This material should be submitted no later than March 31st at 5:00 p.m. in printed form to Melissa OSSian in the Plan II Office, WCH 4.104.

3. **Rowe Koehl Travel Scholarship**

Do you have a great idea for a trip that is not directly tied to your academic career?

The Rowe Koehl Travel Scholarship might just be right for you.

This annual award is given to a Plan II student in good standing with the program whose travel promises to address the most interesting idea or question proposed. The award winner is determined by the Director and a committee of his/her choosing.

Applicants should submit a single page description of their intended travel abroad, including an indication of their motivation and what their expectations might be. Preference will be given to applicants whose travel will be abroad to a country or countries with which they have no close family ties or extensive previous experience.

Note that this scholarship is not intended to be coupled with an already-planned Study Abroad experience, nor is it intended to be coupled with or pay for a for-credit program. The spirit in which the award has been given is to encourage travel and learning in a non-traditional setting.

For that reason, this is not a need-based nor is it a scholastic achievement grant. Grade point averages or financial need will not be considered, only the merit of the proposal.

The award winner will be expected to write a letter of thanks as well as a brief narrative account of their travels. Photos are welcomed but are not required.

Send your letter of application to: Phillip Dubov [planischolarships@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:planischolarships@austin.utexas.edu) (512) 471.2960 Plan II Office

Application deadline is April 1.

4. **Plan II Continuing Scholarship Applications**

Monday, February 22, 2010 the electronic application system for Plan II Honors Continuing Scholarships will open for applications for 2010/2011 Plan II Honors scholarships. You must apply even if you currently hold a Plan II Honors scholarship.

Plan II has transitioned to an online scholarship and grant application process. If you have already prepared and/or submitted the paper application for Continuing Scholarships, you will need to go online and complete the electronic application. This application process is for Continuing Scholarships. The travel and thesis grant information is forthcoming.

Go to: Current Students<Scholarships<Continuing <[https://cms.la.utexas.edu/entity/open.act](https://cms.la.utexas.edu/entity/open.act)>
Application deadline: midnight, March 31, 2010 with no exceptions.

**ACADEMIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. **Junior Fellows**
The Junior Fellows Program was created in 1959 by Harry Ransom as a means of encouraging academic excellence in the College of Arts and Sciences. At that time it was essentially an honor society to which students were elected at the end of their freshman year. Over the years, the Junior Fellows has evolved into a society of juniors and seniors from the University at large who are engaged in independent research projects under the direction of members of the faculty.

Information about the program and an application may be found at: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/student-affairs/Programs/Honors.php#Jfellow>

Application materials may be downloaded using the link below or may be obtained from the Plan I Honors Office, GEB 1.206 <http://www.utexas.edu/maps/main/buildings/geb.html>, Austin, TX 78712. For more information contact Dr. Larry Carver <carver@mail.utexas.edu> in the Plan I Honors Office by email or phone at 471-3458.

Download Application Form <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/student-affairs/_files/pdf/jr_fellows_app_2010.pdf> (PDF, 104K)

Applications are due Monday, March 26, 2010 for the 2010-2011 academic year.

2. **Law School Discussion with Cale McDowell**
Cale McDowell will hold an informal discussion with interested pre-law students on preparing for law school and in particular how the study of the great books can prepare one for success in law school, the legal profession, and careers in politics. Mr. McDowell, a recent graduate of UT Austin Law School, is now an attorney in the corporate and securities section of the Austin law firm Jackson Walker L.L.P. The talk will be in the Joynes Reading Room, in the basement of Carothers hall, on April 7 at 7 p.m.

3. **Undergraduate Research Applications**
We are now accepting Undergraduate Research applications for our oral symposium that will be held on Tuesday, April 13, and Thursday, April 15, as well as poster presentations for Honor’s Day on Saturday, April 10. The poster presenters will also have the opportunity to have their poster professionally printed and showcased at the Undergraduate Research Week Bazaar on Wednesday, April 14.

Please forward this information to any students who might be interested.

The application can be found on our website at <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/student-affairs/Programs/Research-Opportunities.php#URWeek>. The deadline for students to apply is Friday, March 12.

If you have any questions about research week or the application, please contact Monica Horvat at <monicah@austin.utexas.edu>.

4. **Bridging Disciplines Programs**
Come to an Information Session with BDP Advisors

Every Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.
and
Every Wednesday, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
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If you cannot attend one of these information sessions, please call 232-7564 to make an appointment.

**Spring BDP Application Deadline is Friday, March 12**

5. **Department of Computer Sciences Transfer Sessions**
The Department of Computer Sciences restricts upper-division courses to declared CS majors beginning in Spring 2010. In anticipation of this change, we encourage students who are considering a dual degree or major degree change to attend one of our Internal Transfer Sessions. Major admission requirements and procedures will be reviewed prior to the April 15th application deadline. An academic advisor will also discuss opportunities for students to maximize their career potential, including an 18-hour Elements of Computing Certificate, 5-year BS/MS Integrated Degree, and more.

RSVP to: <under-info@cs.utexas.edu>

Spring 2010 Major Applications Due: THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2010

6. **Texas Institute for Literary & Textual Studies**
The inaugural year of the Institute (2009-2010) is focused on "Literature and Religious Conflict in the English Renaissance." Considering the contemporary and global concern with religious conflict, the Institute will concentrate on the myriad connections between literature and the religious conflict that permeated the Renaissance, from the Reformation to the Counter-Reformation to the seeds of Enlightenment tolerance sown at the end of the period. The subject has elicited a great deal of interest among Renaissance scholars in recent years, and it should be compelling for a large audience of non-specialists as well.

We have scheduled a variety of TILTS activities for Spring 2010. We hope you will be able to join us for at least some of these activities and we welcome any questions you might have.

For more information concerning the spring speakers and the Renaissance Institute generally, go to: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/insts/tilts-current/>.
7. **New B.S. Degree in Environmental Science**

Dr. Stoff would like to inform the Plan II Honors Program that UT-Austin will offer a new B.S. degree in Environmental Science. Several innovative new courses will be taught as part of the degree plan, including two that will be offered this semester as small pilot courses.

Please consider learning more about the courses and degree plan. More information can be found at [http://www.esi.utexas.edu/education/education.html](http://www.esi.utexas.edu/education/education.html). There will be an information session on these courses and the new degree plan on August 13, 2010.

Applications are due March 15.

**ARABIC:** First- through Third-Year Arabic I and II [http://utarabicflagship.org/curriculum/arabic_summer_institute.html](http://utarabicflagship.org/curriculum/arabic_summer_institute.html)


**PERSIAN:** Advanced Persian (PRS 329) [http://www.utexas.edu/cola/depts/mes/summer/persian.php](http://www.utexas.edu/cola/depts/mes/summer/persian.php)

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**EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIPS**

1. **Farley Capital L.P. Analyst**

Farley Capital L.P. was formed in 1990. We are a long only investment partnership that strives to produce superior returns for investors by employing the philosophy of value investing. We conduct careful fundamental research on all of our investments. Our culture is very entrepreneurial and provides ample opportunity for advancement.

This is an entry level position suitable for a Spring 2010 graduate or a professional with less than two years of finance experience.

Start date: immediate or June 2010

Please e-mail resume to: eallende@farleycap.com

Applications for our next Fellowship Class are due March 10, 2010. The Fellowship year begins August 2, 2010 and runs through July 29, 2011.

Our staff, Fellows and alumni will be visiting campuses around the country over the next two months. We also will be hosting several free, live webinars for students we are unable to meet in person. All of these are posted on our schedule of events [http://www.cityhallfellows.org/Application_Calendar.html](http://www.cityhallfellows.org/Application_Calendar.html).

Bethany Henderson
Founder & Executive Director
City Hall Fellows
[bethany@cityhallfellows.org](mailto:bethany@cityhallfellows.org)

4. **Texas Tribune Internship Opportunity**

The new, not-for-profit public media organization, the Texas Tribune [http://www.texastribune.org/about/](http://www.texastribune.org/about/) is looking for two interns to start immediately. The interns will work on marketing, events and development for the launch of the new organization and its media channels. Interns will work 15 hours or less a week and be paid $7.25 hour. Interns will be doing research, data entry, proposals, marketing, and more. As a start-up in the online publishing space, this internship is a great opportunity to learn from top professionals in Austin and the industry in a small, non-hierarchical environment. To apply, please send your resume to nathan@campus2careers.com. Note: this search is being performed by [http://campus2careers.com/](http://campus2careers.com/).

5. **Intellectual Entrepreneurship "Pre-Graduate School Internship."**

This internship is open to students in all UT colleges/schools and departments. You may earn one, two or three hours of academic credit (CMS 164M/264M/364M) by participating in the internship.

In addition, you may read more about this program on the web:
<http://communication.utexas.edu/ie/>

NOTE: Because of the generosity of several UT deans, undergraduates who do their pre-grad internship in programs in the following colleges will be eligible to receive travel grants to help cover part of the cost of attending an academic conference (with their grad mentor)-- Law, Public Affairs, Communication, Engineering, Liberal Arts, Pharmacy, Business, Social Work, Education, Natural Sciences, Fine Arts.

A wonderful UT web feature about this program is at: <http://www.utexas.edu/features/2008/ie-2/>

If after examining these materials you have questions, please feel free to contact Rick Cherwitz at <spaj737@uts.cc.utexas.edu>

**UNIVERSITY WIDE**

1. Sustainable Development Film Series

Day: Thursday, March 11, 2010

Time: 7:00pm

Place: GOL 3.120 Lecture Hall

Email: e.b.brooks@mail.utexas.edu

The Center for Sustainable Development hosts a bi-weekly Sustainable Development Film Series. This week's film is "A Crude Awakening: The Oil Crash," which explores the uncomfortable realities of a world that is addicted to a non-renewable resource, and at the same time, unaware of the looming "peak oil" crisis. Come for the film and a brief discussion afterwards to learn more about the pressing issue of our dependence on dwindling fossil fuel resources and what this means for the future.

2. Mortar Board Society

Mortar Board is a national honor society that recognizes college seniors for distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership, and service. The national network includes over 200 chapters and 180,000 inductees since its founding in 1918. Membership is a nationally recognized distinction earned by outstanding students across the country.

The Visor Chapter of Mortar Board exists as a network of outstanding campus leaders who have achieved senior status at The University of Texas at Austin. We come from diverse backgrounds and exemplify a record of demonstrated leadership and accomplishment within the UT and Austin communities. Our chapter strives to uphold the national Mortar Board's ideals of scholarship, leadership, and service by developing relationships between influential student leaders and serving as the capstone leadership and service experience for UT seniors.

To apply to be a Mortar Board Member for the 2010-2011 term, please visit <https://surveystation.austin.utexas.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=7jK015m6>. All applications must be completed no later than Friday, March 12, 2010. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance status no later than Monday, March 31, 2010. If you have any questions please email texasmortarboard@gmail.com

2) Mortar Board Last Lecture Nominations Accepted Until 3/12

Since its founding in 1923, The Visor Chapter of Mortar Board at the University of Texas hosts an annual Last Lecture with a professor nominated by students all across campus. The selected professor will give a lecture outside of class hours to students, staff, and faculty as if it were his or her last lecture as a professor. In recent years, this event has taken the structure of the Last Lecture given by terminally-ill Carnegie Mellon Professor Randy Pausch in September 2007.<http://www.thelastlecture.com/>. Mortar Board chapters nationwide have recognized professors through the Last Lecture Series.

To nominate a faculty member, please visit <https://surveystation.austin.utexas.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=7jK23lm6>. Nominations will be accepted through Friday, March 12th, and the Last Lecture will be given on Thursday, April 8th at 8:00 p.m. at the The Tejas House at 2600 Rio Grande St. (on the NW corner of 26th St. and Rio Grande St.). If you have any questions please email texasmortarboard@gmail.com

3. Health Promotion Volunteer Opportunity

Fun, valuable and career-building volunteer opportunities exist on campus through the Health Promotion Resource Center, a part of University Health Services.

Apply now to become a peer educator. Students selected to become peer educators will receive specialized training in health topics, gain experience facilitating classes and workshops, and conduct outreach on campus. Peer Educators serve the UT community by promoting healthy choices and make a positive impact on their peers.

To apply, visit the UHS website <http://www.healthyhorns.utexas.edu/peereducation.html>.

Applications are due March 26, 2010.

Questions: KP Prince, Ph.D., Coordinator University Health Services • The University of Texas at Austin 100 W. Dean Keeton, SSB 1.106J • Austin, TX 78712 P: (512) 475-8252 • F: (512) 475-8459 <http://healthyhorns.utexas.edu>

4. Lavender Graduation Ceremony

This year's event will be held in the Tower, in Main Room 212 on Wednesday, May 19 from 5-7 p.m.

This event is for anyone graduating in 2010. It is for both undergraduate and graduate students. Lavender Graduation is for any students...
identifying as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning, gender-queer and their allies.

Register to walk the Lavender Stage and get more info at: <www.utexas.edu/diversity/ddce/gsc/lavendergrad.php>

5. **Become a Disease Detective**
April 7, 2010 at the Texas Union from 12-8 p.m.

Free Admission.
Keynote Session: *Smallpox—The Death of a Disease*
D.A. Henderson, MD, MPH
Exhibits: Graduate Education, Career Opportunities, Fellowships, and Internships in Public Health

Check the website for more information and a full schedule of events: <http://www.sbs.utexas.edu/diseasedetective/default.htm>

6. **Feminist Action Project**
The Feminist Action Project is a new group on campus working with the Gender and Sexuality Center to put on a conference about feminist activism.

The website/blog is up and running: <http://feministactionproject.blogspot.com/>.
Second, we've extended our call for submission deadline. Find it here: <http://feministactionproject.blogspot.com/2009/12/call-for-submissions.html>

Third, registration is available for the Feminist Action Project. Early registration ends April 1st, so register early to make sure you take advantage of our early registration fee ($25). After April 1st, the fee is $35. Find registration here: <http://feministactionproject.blogspot.com/2010/02/feminist-action-project-registration.html>

Lastly, make sure you stay connected to the Feminist Action Project. We are now on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/FeministActionProject> and Twitter <http://twitter.com/FeministAction>.

If you have any questions regarding the Feminist Action Project or want to become involved, please contact us at <feministactionproject@gmail.com>.

7. **Jean Holloway Award Nominations**
For the past thirty-eight years, the Jean Holloway Award has symbolized The University of Texas at Austin's commitment to teaching excellence by recognizing outstanding professors in the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Natural Sciences. It is one of the oldest teaching awards on campus. Please consider nominating an excellent professor for this award-the nomination link is: <https://www.texasexes.org/form/holloway.asp>

Jean Holloway Award for Excellence in Teaching <https://texasexes.org/form/holloway.asp>- The award amounts to more than $4,500 annually, and the nomination and selection process is done solely by students.

Please direct questions or concerns to Taylor Nyberg, Student Relations Coordinator at The Texas Exes <mailto:Nyberg@alumni.utexas.edu> or Vicki Chang, Jean Holloway Committee Chair <vickichang@mail.utexas.edu>

8. **College Women's Political Caucus**
The College Women's Political Caucus (CWPC) is in its earliest stages, so now is your chance to help shape this national organization! CWPC will be a campus affiliate of the National Women's Political Caucus (NWPC), which exists to help elect pro-choice women candidates to political office on the city, state, and national level.

The goals and possible projects of CWPC include, but are not limited to: Volunteering on political campaigns for local women political candidates. Putting on and participating in trainings on a variety of topics related to political leadership and political campaigns. Mentoring under-served middle & high school girls to help develop their leadership abilities. Working to get the ERA ratified. Networking with women political leaders. Finally, the president of NWPC also sees the CWPC as THE place to start identifying, and training future political leaders. If you are interested in being an officer in CWPC, please email Harmony Eichsteadt at <harmonyeverafter@gmail.com>.

9. **Peer Academic Coaching Program**
The Peer Academic Coaching program is open to any student interested in receiving coaching from a trained UT student on how to prepare effectively for UT classes. Peer coaches are trained by learning specialists, and the program as a whole is certified by the College Reading and Learning Association. Common topics include note-taking and reading techniques, time management and concentration, and test taking and test preparation. Participants can expect to learn how to match the ways in which they study to the unique demands of each course.

The cost is covered by the UT Learning Center; potential participants should be open to trying new study techniques and be willing to meet privately once a week for an hour with a peer coach. Participants are admitted to the program on a rolling basis, subject to coach availability.

Students new to the university should visit the UT Learning Center in Jester A332A; all other students can complete a participation request questionnaire online by going to <http://enroll.utlc.utexas.edu/>* and clicking on “Academic Coaching – Get a Coach.”

*Students who have never used UT Learning Center services will need to start with “claim a password” when first visiting this site. If assistance is needed, call 471-3614 between 9 and 5, M-F.

10. **Spring Bevonomics**
Bevonomics, the new money management program from the Office of Student Financial Services at UT Austin, gives you the information and tools you need to learn how to make good financial decisions about your money and money and your future! Our workshops are open to anyone in the UT Austin community, and you don’t need to bring anything to a workshop — just show up!

Contact BEVONOMICS for more information:
Bevonomics is located in the Office of Student Financial Services (OSFS). Please contact us at <info@bevonomics.org> or (512) 475.6231/6282.

Check the website for a full schedule: <http://www.bevonomics.org/>

11. NSCS Invitations
The National Society of Collegiate Scholars is inviting high-achieving students at The University of Texas at Austin to become members of The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS). NSCS offers more in undergraduate scholarships than any other honor society nationwide.

If you received an invitation, complete your membership application online by visiting <http://join.nscs.org/join>. If you have any questions about your username or password, contact <mailto:nscs@nscs.org> or call 1.800.989.6727.

12. MATHCOUNTS Competition Volunteers
Each year the Texas Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE)/Texas Engineering Foundation (TEF) sponsors the MATHCOUNTS® Program in Texas. We hope the members of the student chapter of SP2E will join our engineers as volunteers.

The competition will be held at the Hilton Austin Airport on Saturday, March 27, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and we can use volunteers for all or part of the day. Lunch and an official t-shirt is provided.

This group of eager, bright middle school students is a joy to work with and you will find the time you spend volunteering at the event truly rewarding.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Nancy Rierson at <nancy@tspe.org> or (512) 472-9286 to sign up and get additional details.

13. Psychotherapy with Men Conference
A conference devoted to promoting best practices and increasing treatment accessibility for boys and men. At the University of Texas, Austin June 5th, 2010.

Registration is now open, but space is limited. The first conference sold out and we expect the same this year. If registering after April 1st, contact Aaron Rochlen to inquire about space. Fees are $150 for professionals and $75 for students, which includes breakfast, lunch, and drinks.

For more information check the website: <http://ows.edb.utexas.edu/?q=site/2nd-national-psychotherapy-men-conference/registration>

14. Volunteer for ZAP
ZAP (Zavala Afterschool Program) is a group of students from the University of Texas at Austin who volunteer weekly at Zavala Elementary School in East Austin. ZAP provides an after-school program for underprivileged youth, offering activities and classes ranging from soccer and football to dance and jewelry making. The volunteers also serve as positive influences in the children's lives. Volunteers will help for 1 hour a week from 3:00-4:00 on either Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday. Classes will begin February 16th and run for 9 weeks, with no classes the week of Spring Break. Check out the website <http://sites.google.com/site/texazap>, and go to the "Links and Documents" page to sign up! For questions, please email <texas.zap@mail.utexas.edu>.

Scholarships

1. Latin America Study Abroad Scholarships
The Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies is pleased to announce a competition for seven $5,000 travel grants for study abroad in Latin America in fall 2010 and spring 2011. These are intended to be used for full-seat study, and the students must bring back 12 hours of college credit from a degree granting institution in Latin America. Although preference will be given to Latin American Studies majors, we invite all majors from the College of Liberal Arts who are planning study abroad in Latin America next academic year to apply. All applications will be considered seriously. Below is the link for your students; the application is all online. Applications, including one professor recommendation per student, must be completed and received by us by March 26, 2010. <https://utdirect.utexas.edu/scholarship/student/menu.WBXs_scholarship_owner=LLAS&s_user_role=S>

2. Gilman International Scholarship
The Gilman International Scholarship Program is pleased to announce the opening of the Fall 2010 online application with over 1,700 scholarships to be awarded. A limited number of summer awards will be available to students majoring in the STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering or Math) who meet the program's standard eligibility criteria listed on the website.

Summer 2010 & Fall 2010/Academic Year 2010-2011 applications are now being accepted online and are due April 6, 2010. The deadline for advisors to certify applications is April 13, 2010. For more information about the Gilman Scholarship, application deadlines & timeline, and application process, and resources for advisors, please visit the Gilman website at <www.iie.org/gilman>, contact the Gilman Program at (713)
3. **Upcoming FAFSA Sessions**
The time has once again arrived to begin applying for financial aid for the upcoming 2010-2011 school year. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the only application needed at The University of Texas at Austin to apply for grants, work-study, and student loans. The Office of Student Financial Services (OSFS) will be hosting sessions in order to assist current students to complete the online FAFSA. We anticipate these sessions will encourage students to apply early and increase their understanding of the financial aid process. Each session will take place in a computer lab setting, where students will be assisted by financial aid counselors on a walk-in basis.

The FAFSA requires income information for both student and parent(s), and thus 2009 tax returns are recommended when completing the application. If the 2009 taxes are not available, students can submit the FAFSA using estimates, and thus bring the 2009 W-2’s, or 2008 tax returns.

UT-Austin’s priority deadline is March 31, 2010. If you have questions, please contact the outreach section of OSFS at 475-6231. For additional information see spotlight: <http://finaid.utexas.edu/spotlights/FAFSA100_sessions.html>

4. **Fellowship Opportunities for Undergraduate Sophomores**
Are you a sophomore interested in a career in international affairs? Want to get funding for study abroad, language study, and grad school?

The IIP Fellowship is one of the most prestigious fellowships in international affairs available to minority students, helping students gain practical skills necessary for success in foreign policy careers in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

APPLICATION WEBSITE: <http://www.unfsp.org/register>
DEADLINE: March 15, 2010

**STUDY ABROAD**

1. **Crash Course in Washington D.C.**
UT Austin students are invited to visit our nation’s capital May 24-28 for a crash course in Washington, D.C.

**Welcome to the Beltway: May 24-28, 2010**
Welcome to the Beltway is a 5-day crash course in D.C. in which participants meet and mingle with professionals to learn about careers in Washington, D.C. Over the visit, students meet with White House and Federal Agency staff, Congressional staff, senior policy analysts, seasoned political journalists for newspapers and magazines, campaign strategists and many others. The program is hosted by the Archer Center/University Texas System and the D.C. Texas Exes.

**How to Apply**
Download the application form and legal waiver at the following link. The program fee is $395, which includes:
* 4 nights of lodging
* Several meals during the week
* Networking receptions and events
* Panel discussions
* Sightseeing tours

**Program Fee**
The program fee is $395, which includes:

**Program Details**
Visit the Archer Center site for details: <http://www.archercenter.org/programs/welcome_beltway.html>

2. **UT in LA Program**
UT Semester in Los Angeles Program for spring 2011 or summer 2011 has a new online application and will be available March 15, 2010 (the application will open on March 15 and close April 15 at 5 p.m.).

Information on the new online application process is now available on the UTLA Center’s website at the following URL: <http://www.utla.utexas.edu/applying/>

**Attend an information session (most are video conferences)**
Schedule of information sessions: <http://www.utla.utexas.edu/info/index.htm>

March 9 @ 2 p.m., CMA 5.160
The UTLA Center
3800 Barham Boulevard, Suite 103
Los Angeles, CA 90068
Telephone: (323) 512-9200
Toll free: (877) UTAL111 (877-875-2111)
<www.utla.utexas.edu>
Email: <mikep@austin.utexas.edu>

3. **Summer 2010 Study Abroad Programs with Courses in Communication**
***Open to all UT students***
Schedule of information sessions here: <http://communication.utexas.edu/students/international/ip-sessions.html>

For more information on College of Communication Programs and a schedule of information sessions, please visit: <http://communication.utexas.edu/students/international/index.html>

4. **Study Abroad Funding Info Sessions**
The study abroad community on campus will begin hosting information sessions for students focusing on funding study abroad programs.

Thursday, April 1, 3 to 4 p.m. - BUR 134

**USEFUL MISCELLANY**

1. **Submitting to Plan2News**
Plan2News is published on Tuesdays and Fridays during the semester for students currently registered in Plan II and others associated with Plan II.
who send their e-mail addresses to <planiinewsletter@austin.utexas.ed u>. News items for the letter include announcements from the Plan II office and the Plan II Student Association, as well as performances and exhibits by Plan II students. Read the newsletter to learn about courses, registration, advising, job opportunities and special events. Personal and political announcements will not be published in the newsletter; and internships and job announcements should normally be sent to the Liberal Arts Career Services office, after which they may be considered for publication in the newsletter. Please keep in mind that although Plan2News enjoys a substantial and diverse readership, its circulation is still relatively small. It should not be relied upon as an employer’s only means of advertising for a position, a group’s only advertisement for an event, etc. To reach a wider audience, please use university-wide electronic and paper advertising outlets.

To place a news item in Plan2News, you must do the following, or your messages will not be included:
- Type your news item in the body of an e-mail to <planiinewsletter@austin.utexas.edu>.
- In the subject line, write “Plan2News” exactly.
- Give the name of a contact person with phone number or e-mail address.
- Provide an activity date or a deadline, whichever is appropriate.
- Do not use “we” or “I.” Please write your submission in third person.
- Write in complete sentences and use correct grammar.
- News items will run until your deadline, or through two issues of the newsletter if no deadline is provided.
- The text of submitted newsletter items (including job and internship postings) must be fewer than 150 words, not including headline and contact information. Please edit your entries to this length before submission. An overly-lengthy entry will be returned to its sender and will not appear until this standard is met.
- Send your news item to <planiinewsletter@austin.utexas.edu> no later than 3:00 p.m. on Monday (for the Tuesday letter) or 3:00 p.m. on Thursday (for the Friday letter). The 3:00 p.m. deadline is final. Do not send your message to any other address. No one else can approve news items for inclusion in the Plan II newsletter and no other address will be used to receive entries.

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<http://www.hrc.utexas.edu/>

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And to the program for which it stands underfunded, indescribably awesome, with liberty and cookies for all.”

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