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1875- First indoor game of ice hockey

**Thursday**
Study Abroad Funding Info Session
Mythological Society Meeting
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**Friday**
Rapoport Service Scholarship Apps Due
1. **Voltaire’s Cinema**

Voltaire's Cinema on Ulysses

All Plan II students are invited to join Professor Alan Friedman for a screening of Ulysses this TUESDAY, MARCH 2, at 7 p.m. in Joynes. Initially seen by many as unreadable, vulgar, and obscene, Ulysses has been dubbed the greatest novel of the twentieth century and the most influential of all modernist literary texts. The book has twice been made into film (Joseph Strick’s Ulysses, 1967; Sean Walsh’s Bloom, 2003). Attendees will vote on which version of the film to watch. No prior reading or registration is required. See the Plan II website for more details. Contact the P2SA Academic Co-Chairs at <pii.academics@gmail.com> with any questions.

2. **Plan II/KIPP Partnership Program**

Explore UT Workshop – March 6, 2010

All Plan II students are invited to attend the Plan II/KIPP Partnership Program workshop that will be held as part of Explore UT on Saturday, March 6, 2010 from 11:00-11:40 a.m. in PAR 1. Attendees will learn about this innovative service opportunity and community outreach effort that matches selected Plan II students as mentors with mentee students from KIPP Austin Schools (charter schools serving low-income minority students). Plan II mentors, KIPPster mentees and Program organizers all will be on hand to offer their reflections on the Program and their experiences.

3. **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 on-line 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?id=be77a7ad9206a50a011e08233fbc5f2&type=page#highlight>

Application deadline: midnight, March 31, 2010 with no exceptions.

4. **Free Shakespeare Tickets**

Plan II is giving away 25 tickets to the March 6th American Shakespeare Center performance of "Romeo and Juliet". The tickets are for Plan II students only and will be available at 8:00 AM on Monday, February 22nd on a first come, first served basis. A limit of one ticket per student with a valid UT ID will be strictly enforced.

5. **Thesis Information Sessions**

Plan II students who plan to start their senior thesis next year (FALL 2010) must attend one of the upcoming Thesis Information Sessions to learn about the process of proposing your thesis topic, finding a supervisor and second reader, and requirements to register for the thesis course. The sessions are also highly recommended for Sophomores who plan to go abroad during their junior year. The sessions will be held:

Tuesday, March 2nd OR Wednesday, March 3rd 5-6 p.m. PAR 1

**ACADEMIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. **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>.

2. **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. FAC 1

BDP advisors will answer questions and tell you about the requirements for each program, how a BDP can work with your degree plan, and how to choose the right BDP for you. You will also learn about the application process and hear valuable tips about how to write an effective application essay.

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**

3. **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

4. **Texas Institute for Literary & Textual Studies**

The inaugural year of the Institute (2009-2010) is focused on "Literature and Religious Conflict in the English
Applications are due March 15, 2010.

The 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/depts/tilts-current/>.

Further schedule information will be posted there.

5. 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>. There will be an information session on these courses and the new degree plan on

6. DMES Summer Language Institutes

DMES is excited to offer three intensive summer language institutes this year in Arabic, Hebrew, and Persian. The institutes offer a fully incorporated cultural program to enhance participants’ linguistic advancement as they complete the equivalent of one full year of language study in eleven weeks, June 3 - August 13, 2010.

Applications are due March 15.

Please direct interested students to the websites below for further details and to download the brochures and application forms.

ARABIC: First- through Third-Year Arabic I and II
<http://utarabicflagship.org/curriculum/arabic_summer_institute.html>

HEBREW: First-Year Hebrew I and II
<http://www.utexas.edu/cola/depts/mes/summer/hebrew.php>

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

EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIPS

1. Enspire Learning

Enspire Learning is recruiting Finance Training Coordinators, Content Writers, Technology Developers, and Multimedia Designers to join its 2010 Emerging Leaders Program. These entry level positions are full-time, salaried with benefits and will begin in July 2010.

Join Enspire Learning for an information session on Tuesday, March 2 at 5:00 p.m. in Parlin 301. You’ll hear about this unique job opportunity in Austin and how you can quickly make an impact at a growing company.

If you have any questions, visit <http://jobs.enspire.com> or email <emergingleaders@enspire.com>.

2. 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.

780 Third Avenue
New York, NY 10017
(212) 750-4430

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: <callende@farleycap.com>

3. House Select Committee Internship

The House Select Committee on Government Efficiency and Accountability, a committee tasked with making recommendations to eliminate inefficiencies in state government, including finding best practices for purchasing state goods and services and reviewing advantages and disadvantages of privatization, is seeking interns. These unpaid positions will focus primarily on reading and summarizing reports about similar past initiatives in Texas and in other states and will help prepare hearing materials and briefs. For more information becoming an intern for the House Select Committee on Government Efficiency and Accountability, please contact Jose Aguayo, <Jose_Aguayo_HC@house.state.tx.us>.

4. City Hall Fellows

City Hall Fellows is a non-partisan nonprofit training the next generation of leaders for America’s cities. Our 12-month, paid, post-college Fellowship integrates hands-on experience working within the highest levels of local government with intensive training in how cities work. The Fellowship is open to students of ALL majors.

A detailed overview of the Fellowship, as well as application materials and instructions, are on our website, <http://www.cityhallfellows.org/>. 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>.
Bethany Henderson
Founder & Executive Director
City Hall Fellows
<bethany@cityhallfellows.org>
<http://www.cityhallfellows.org/>

5. Texas Inter-Faith Tutors
Texas Inter-Faith is seeking two new tutors to help with student in a low-income community in South Austin. Inter-Faith is a non-profit organization dedicated to impacting low-income communities and their residents. Tutors should be prepared to work with students facing academic and personal challenges. The program runs from 3-4:30 and help is most needed on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Lena Martinez-Watts at <lena.martinez.watts@gmail.com> for more information.

6. NIH Center for Cancer Research 2010 Summer Internship Program
The focus of this program is to increase diversity among our student trainees. A selection panel, composed of NCI scientists and administrators, will review the application packages and interview prospective fellows with a GPA of 3.0 or higher from under-represented groups or financially disadvantaged backgrounds.

Applicants must be:
• In good standing, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
• U.S. citizens or permanent residents
• 18 years of age or older
• Students with cancer-related research interests
• From under-represented groups and/or socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds

Applications will be accepted through the NIH Office of Intramural Training and Education web site from November 16, 2009, until March 1, 2010. <http://www.training.nih.gov>
Training dates: May 24 to August 27, 2010
Vi Black, Program Manager, Office of Training and Education, CCR, NCI, NIH, DHHS
Telephone: (301) 594-5363
E-mail: <vb55k@nih.gov>

7. Texas Tribune Internship Opportunity
The new, not-for-profit public media organization, the Texas Tribune 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/>.

8. 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>

2. Perspectives on Foreign Service Careers
Thursday, March 4, 2010
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. • BAT 5.108
Interested in a career with the Foreign Service? Join us for a discussion, followed by Q&A, led by a panel of distinguished guests providing perspectives on Foreign Service careers. Featuring Charles A. Ford, former U.S. Ambassador to Honduras; William R. Stewart, Diplomat in Residence at the LBJ School of Public Affairs; and Roy Harrell, Jr., retired Foreign Service Officer and UT-Austin alumnus.
About the participants:
Charles Ford served most recently as Commander, Southern Command, for the U.S. Defense Department, where he focused on Columbia and developing strategic guidance and operational instructions for engaging the private sector to address jointly regional economic and security challenges. He served the U.S. Department of State as Ambassador to Honduras, 2005-2008, for which he received the Presidential Award for Distinguished Service. As a former Foreign Commercial Service Officer in the U.S. Department of Commerce he had assignments in Argentina, Guatemala, Spain, and Venezuela, and also served as a Commercial Minister at the U.S. Mission in the European
4. **Test Anxiety Workshop**

**TRUE OR FALSE?**

When I take a test…

1. My anxiety keeps me from performing to my potential.
   - True/False
2. I feel prepared before the test but then my mind goes blank.
   - True/False 3. My heart races and all I can think about is failing.
   - True/False

If you answered “true” to any of the above questions, you may benefit from this workshop in which you will learn to…

A) Improve study skills and habits
B) Challenge anxious thoughts and use anxiety to your advantage
C) Practice mindful test-taking
D) All of the above

A workshop for UT students led by Diana Damer, Ph.D.

Thursday, March 4th
5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
MAI 220B

Please RSVP to Diana at <dedamer@mail.utexas.edu> by March 2nd.

5. **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>

6. **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>

7. **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. It is <http://feministactionproject.blogspot.com/>, where you will be able to register, download our call for submissions, meet the committee members and see some sneak peeks of programming we have planned.

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>.

8. **Meet with David Mamet at the HRC**

The Harry Ransom Center is pleased to provide current University of Texas at Austin graduate and undergraduate students with the opportunity to join playwright, writer, and director David Mamet on "A Journey Towards Meaning."

The Ransom Center, a humanities research library and museum, is home to David Mamet's archive, which is open and available for use: <http://research.hrc.utexas.edu:8080/hrcxtf/view?docId=ead/00486p1.xml>

Mr. Mamet will meet with 10 students 1-4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9 and 1-4
p.m. on Wednesday, March 10 at the Ransom Center. Students must be available on both days in order to participate. The Ransom Center encourages students to consult with their professors before missing class to participate in this seminar.

Currently enrolled University of Texas at Austin students should submit no more than TWO LINES explaining why they should be chosen to <mailto:mametseminar@gmail.com>. Entries longer than two lines will not be considered.

Entries must be received by March 2, 2010. Selected students will be notified by March 4, 2010.

The Ransom Center cannot offer further guidance about entries

9. 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://www.texasexes.org/form/holloway.asp> - Created in 1970 with an endowment from past Texas Exes president Sterling Holloway and his wife, Jean Holloway, this annual award is presented to a teacher in either the College of Liberal Arts or Natural Sciences. 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:Tyverberg@alumni.utexas.edu> or Vicki Chang, Jean Holloway Committee Chair <mailto:Vickichang@mail.utexas.edu>

10. 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 <mailto:Harmonyeverafter@gmail.com>.

11. Mortar Board Society
Apply to be a member of Mortar Board, a national honor society that recognizes college seniors for distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership, and service. The UT 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.

Requirements for membership in the Visor Chapter of Mortar Board at The University of Texas at Austin include: a minimum of 75 hours of coursework completed by May 2010 (i.e. Senior Classification) a university GPA of 3.4 or above demonstrated achievement in the areas of scholarship, leadership, and service. Apply to be a member of the Mortar Board at <https:// surveystation.austin.utexas.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=96K01514>.

All applications must be completed no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, March 8, 2010. If you have any questions please email <mailto:texasmortarboard@gmail.com>.

12. 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.

13. 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 <mailto:info@bevonomics.org> or (512) 475-6231/6282.
Check the website for a full schedule: <http://www.bevonomics.org/>

**14. 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.

NSCS is focused on developing a close-knit campus community—that’s why students are engaged in social and community service activities at The University of Texas at Austin. To be a member, you must have a GPA of at least 3.4, and rank in the top 20 percent of your class.

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.

**15. 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 Professional Engineers (TSPE)/Texas Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE) 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.

**16. 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>.

**17. 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/texaszap/>, and go to the ”Links and Documents” page to sign up! For questions, please email <texas.zap@mail.utexas.edu>.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

1. **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) 621-6300 ext. 16 or email <gilmanadvisors@iie.org>.

2. **Rapoport Service Scholarship**
The College of Liberal Arts invites you to apply for the Bernard and Audre Rapoport Service Scholarship. The scholarship is open to first year students in the College of Liberal Arts.

Rapoport Service Scholars receive a $30,000 scholarship and a brand new Mac laptop. The recipients of the scholarship commit to performing 200 hours of community service each summer for three summers, as well as taking two courses designed specifically for the scholars and participating in service events during the year. Twelve scholars are selected each year. The deadline for the scholarship is 5 p.m. on March 5, 2010.

Bernard and Audre Rapoport Service Scholarship
Deadline: March 5, 2010

Scroll to the bottom of the page to learn more at the Rapoport Service Scholarship and apply online: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/student-affairs/Programs/Scholarships.php>

If you have any questions, please email Eric Bowles <bowles@austin.utexas.edu>.

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>

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

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<th>5. Study Abroad Funding Info Sessions</th>
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<td>The study abroad community on campus will begin hosting information sessions for students focusing on funding study abroad programs. The sessions will take place: Thursday, March 4, 3 to 4 p.m. - UTC 4.132 Thursday, April 1, 3 to 4 p.m. - BUR 134</td>
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<td>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.</td>
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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 application deadline is April 14, 2010. <http://www.archercenter.org/programs/welcome_beltway.html>

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<td>The program fee is $395, which includes: * 4 nights of lodging * Several meals during the week * Networking receptions and events * Panel discussions * Sightseeing tours</td>
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Program Details
Visit the Archer Center site for details: <http://www.archercenter.org/programs/welcome_beltway.html>

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<th>2. Liberal Arts Council Study Abroad Scholarship</th>
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<td>The Liberal Arts Council Study Abroad Scholarship is now open for all students studying abroad in Summer 2010, Fall 2010, or the 2010-2011 school year (Maymester students are not eligible). Five awards ranging from $250 to $2000 will be awarded to deserving applicants. The application can be accessed through the Global Assist website and utlac.com. Deadline is March 6, 2010. Please contact Shelby Carvalho at <a href="mailto:shelby.carvalho@mail.utexas.edu">shelby.carvalho@mail.utexas.edu</a> with questions or for more information.</td>
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<th>3. UT in LA Program</th>
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<td>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: <a href="http://www.utla.utexas.edu/applying/">http://www.utla.utexas.edu/applying/</a></td>
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Attend an information session (most are video conferences)!
Schedule of information sessions: <http://www.utla.utexas.edu/info/index.htm>
March 3 @ 4 p.m., CMA 5.160 (Phil Nemy, Exec. Director on Campus)
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) UTLA111
(877-875-2111)
<www.utla.utexas.edu>

4. 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>

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### 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 <planinewsletter@austin.utexas.edu>. 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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Coming soon to the HRC:
<http://www.hrc.utexas.edu/>

“I pledge allegiance to Plan II and the University of Texas at Austin.
And to the program for which it stands underfunded, indescribably awesome, with liberty and cookies for all.”

Plan II Pledge