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Next Tuesday
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Next Wednesday
Become a Disease Detective
Law School Discussion with Cale McDowell
Peer Advising II Ice Cream Social
WGS Undergraduate Awards Apps Due

Next Thursday
Orange Jackets Scholarship Apps Due
Mortar Board Last Lecture Series

Friday, April 2
Spring Senate Undergraduate Research Apps Due
Good Friday
Broccoli Project: Sexual Perversity in Chicago (Saturday too!
UTThéâtre’s production: Huis Clos (No Exit) (Saturday & Sunday too)
Plan2News

1. Chad Oliver Award

The time has come to vote for this year's recipient of the Chad Oliver Award. This annual prize honors one of the professors who make Plan II the best major on campus. Formerly known as the Plan II Teaching Award, the prize was first awarded in 1990 to Chad Oliver, who was a graduate of Plan II in the Harry Ransom years and later, for many years, a much-loved professor in Social Science 301. On his retirement, students voted to name the award for him. This honor has recognized one outstanding professor each year for his or her excellence in teaching and dedication to Plan II. The winner receives $1000 as well as eternal glory on that fancy-schmancy plaque above the office cookie jar.

Carol MacKay, English

"Bottom line, it is a crime that Dr. Mackay has yet to receive this award. She is basically the fairy godmother of Plan II, beyond teaching a TC every fall (for which she gets rave CIS reviews), Dr. Mackay also serves on the P2 faculty advisory board, and offers her fairytale cottage for Voltaire's Coffees and even the Chad Oliver award reception. Mackay has obvious command of her subject and passion for literature, but more than that she is beyond devoted to her students. She has the magical ability to make you a better reader and writer while disguising any critiques within layers of warm and fuzzy encouragement. I'm pretty sure at the end of the semester we all felt like geniuses. If this doesn't convince you then sneak a peak at her students. Very quickly, and encouraged us to talk to him about anything at all. Professor Vick was a key figure in the establishment of the honors quad decades ago, and has a keen love of Plan II and of his students in the program."

Please follow the link at the bottom of this email in order to select the professor whom you feel most deserves the 2010 Chad Oliver Teaching Award. The nominees and a brief excerpt from the student nominations follow.

The voting period ends at midnight this Sunday, April 4th.

VOTE HERE: <https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=dFh1amdreUVPNXLQXiTVVDrm0wSkE6MA>

2. Plan II Chamber Music Society

Join the Plan II Chamber Music Society for an afternoon of beautiful chamber music. Enjoy works by Beethoven, Shostakovich, Bartok, songs by KT Tunstall and James Horner, and more! The recital is this Saturday, April 3rd 3:30 p.m. in Jessen Auditorium (located in Homer Rainey Hall, HRH) and will be followed by a reception sponsored by the UHC.

Admission is free. E-mail planichambermusic@gmail.com for more information. Join the Facebook event: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=102673409772263&ref-ts>

3. Plan II Honors Spring 2010 Senior Thesis Symposium

Sunday, April 11, 2010 from 10:30:00 AM to 4:30 PM • Graduate School of Business

Check-In for Participants and Moderator at 3rd floor GSB hallway (near escalator): Please pick up a name tag and program.

4. Conversation with Dr. Hans Mark

Plan II will host a “Conversation with Dr. Hans Mark,” a discussion with one of UT’s most distinguished faculty members on Monday, April 12 at 12:00 p.m. in the Meyerson Room (WCH 4.118) - down the hall from the Plan II Office. Dr. Mark specializes in the study of spacecraft and aircraft design, electromagnetic rail guns, and national defense policy. He earned his Ph.D. in physics from MIT and has taught at Boston, MIT, UC Berkley, Stanford and UT Austin. Dr. Mark served as director of NASA-Ames Research Center, secretary of the Air Force, director of NASA-Ames Research and UT Austin. Dr. Mark served as chancellor of the UT System.

Dr. Mark will be teaching a TC 325 course for Plan II during the Fall 2010 semester titled “American Technology and Victory in the Cold War.” Bring your questions! Boxed lunch will be provided by Scholtzsky’s to the first twenty students.

5. Peer Advising Ice Cream Social

All Plan II first-year students and Peer Advisors are invited to the Spring Ice Cream Social in the Anna Hiss Gymnasium Courtyard on Wednesday, April 7th. Come and go anytime starting at 4 p.m. until the
Ice cream runs out (around 5:30 or so). Enjoy the spring weather and FREE AMY'S ICE CREAM while you begin to gear up for Fall registration!

6. **Plan II Thesis Symposium**
Seniors in the Plan II Honors Program will present their original thesis research in a series of oral presentations on Sunday, April 11th, in the Graduate School of Business (2nd and 3rd floors). Sessions begin at 10:30 am and run throughout the day, covering several interdisciplinary topics including biology, literature, history, creative writing, music, health care, engineering, philosophy, business, and the environment. The event is open to everyone, and current Plan II students are strongly encouraged to attend. The complete program will be posted to the Plan II website in the coming days.

7. **Thesis Advising and Registration**
Students planning to register for the Plan II Thesis Course (TC 660HA) in the fall semester must complete the following registration steps:

1. Complete Part One of the Thesis Registration form (available in the Plan II office and online at <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/advising/thesis/>) by the deadline will result in being dropped from the thesis course.

Please read through the Plan II thesis manual (online at: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/advising/thesis/>) for more details.

2. Complete Part Two of the Thesis Registration form and turn it into the Plan II office by Friday, May 14th.

**5. DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 16TH**
Dr. Alexandra Wettlaufer, <akw@mail.utexas.edu>

Office hours: WCH 4.104: T, Th 2-4

Dr. Wendy Domjan, <wdomjan@mail.utexas.edu>

Office hours: WCH 4.104: M 11-1:30; W 9-11; F 1-2; SEA 5.212: T, Th 2-3:15

2. Complete Part Two of the Thesis Registration form and turn it into the Plan II office by Friday, May 14th. Failure to turn in both forms

Please read through the Plan II thesis manual (online at: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/advising/thesis/>) for more details.

8. **Graduating Senior Commencement Speaker**
Students eligible to participate in the May 2010 Plan II Commencement Convocation (those graduating in May 2010 and August 2010) are invited to submit a brief statement (maximum of 500 words) describing the topic of their address and why they would be the best person to give the student address at the Plan II commencement. The student’s résumé should be attached to the proposal. These proposals are due by April 15 at 5:00 p.m. in the Plan II office, addressed to Jennifer Scalora. A committee comprised of the Plan II director and staff will choose the Plan II student speaker. The address itself should be no more than five minutes in length. Contact Jennifer Scalora, <scalora@austin.utexas.edu>, with questions.

9. **Broccoli Project Presents: Sexual Perversity in Chicago**
This spring, the infamous Broccoli Project will be putting on Sexual Perversity in Chicago. The show is an intricate hodgepodge of the sex lives of four people living in Chicago in 1976, throwing the philosophy of sex into the world of four abnormal people making their way through the rigid rules of the societal world. Showtimes are 3/25, 3/26, 3/27, 4/1, 4/2, 4/3 at 8 p.m., located in the Utopia Theater at the School of Social Work.

10. **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_stdsnts/ment/plan2.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:miavrm@gmail.com>

11. **Rowe Koehl Travel Scholarship**
Do you have a great idea for a trip that is not directly tied to your academic career?

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.
ACADEMIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **DMES CBE Evaluations**

DMES offers credit-by-exam evaluations for Arabic, Hebrew, Persian, and Turkish once per semester. Spring CBE evaluations will be held:

Friday, April 23, 9a-12p

CBE evaluations are offered only to students who seek credit to fulfill their language requirement but who DO NOT intend to continue their study of that language at UT.

Students who want to place out of SOME language courses, but who do wish to study at UT should take the placement exam on May 7 or August 18.

Please see <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/depts/mcs/languages/testing.php> for more information and to reserve a spot for either exam.

2. **SummerStay Program**

The College of Liberal Arts encourages you to consider our new SummerStay program. To participate, you will select two courses in the same summer session from a cluster of related courses. Each cluster will require an additional meeting time for “bonuses,” including faculty visits, outside speakers, and community events.

Each summer session offers SummerStay clusters. Remember: you must pick two courses from a given cluster to get access to the bonuses. Just notify the advisor coordinating each cluster to assure your enrollment in the exclusive bonuses!

Brief descriptions of the cluster themes appear below, along with the session offered; for more information on clusters, including complete course listings, go to: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/students-affairs/Programs/Summer-Programs/summer-stay.php>

3. **Psychology Internal Transfer Sessions**

On the website below is a list of transfer information sessions for summer/fall admission to the psychology major. Students interested in switching to or adding psychology as a major, should plan to attend one of the sessions found on the website. Attendance at one of the sessions is mandatory for admission purposes.

Please visit our website for more details about admission criteria: <www.psy.utexas.edu/>

4. **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.

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

**EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIPS**

1. **Panel Presentation on Careers in Teaching ESL/EFL**

Whether you want to teach English abroad or here in the United States, this panel presentation will help answer your questions about this growing field and how to get started. Panelists include teachers who have taught in China, Japan, Poland, and the United States. This presentation is open to all students.

When: Thursday April 8 5-6:30
**2. Alcohol & Other Drug Education Program (ADEP) Student Assistant Needed**

Supervised by UHS-ADEP Health Education Coordinator II. Not responsible for directly supervising other paid staff but assists with the coordination of volunteer ADEP Peer Educators. The assistantship, which is a 19-hour a week position, helps implement alcohol and other drug educational and other health promotion strategies aimed at promoting and/or supporting healthy lifestyles, improving awareness regarding health, and improving self-care skills of UT students.

Salary contingent on experience, skills, and classification.

The application deadline is April 20, 2010. Interviews will be conducted soon thereafter. To apply, please send an email application including a cover letter and resume to k.prince@uhs.utexas.edu. No telephone, email, or in person inquiries about the position please.

**KP Prince, Ph.D.,**  
Coordinator, Alcohol & Other Drug Education Program  
UT AlcoholEdu Administrator  
Health Promotion Resource Center

**3. LLILAS Internship Position Available**

There is one internship position open for the Fall 2010 semester at the the Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies (LLILAS). The internship would be a great opportunity for those students interested pursuing graduate degrees or working in Latin American affairs; international public policy, international education as well as in any Social Sciences discipline. The position is not a benefits-eligible one, but there is a stipend of $1500 per semester, for which the intern is expected to put in a 10-hour work week. The Intern will have the opportunity to get familiar with the work of multiple centers within LLILAS as well as a broad range of international initiatives organized by our Institute. Depending on specific background or skills, some interns may be assigned to particular LLILAS centers or programs.


TO APPLY: The application deadline is April 20, 2010 Please submit all application materials directly to Paloma Diaz (Senior Program Coordinator, LLILAS) - office location SRH 1.314D. Application package should include a resume indicating language and computer skills, and a cover letter stating why you are interested in this position. Please make sure that you demonstrate basic knowledge of our programs in your cover letter (visit the LLILAS website), also include a letter of recommendation from a UT faculty member or someone who knows the candidate's professional qualification pertinent to this internship. Also include information about your Fall schedule and available hours.

QUESTIONS? - Please contact:  
Paloma Diaz,  
<p.diaz@austin.utexas.edu> / (512) 232-2415

**4. Harry Ransom Center Internships**

Plan II offers an internship program at the Harry Ransom Center that is designed to provide advanced undergraduates with experience in the nature and operations of a major humanities research center. The experience gained by interns will benefit them in their own research projects, in possible graduate studies, and even as a career option in such fields as librarianship, museum studies, archival or curatorial work, as well as public affairs, marketing, public programming and event management. The internship will be for the entire academic year (fall and spring semester). There will be opportunities to work in a number of different departments of the Center, learning multiple skills, from preservation to collection processing and editorial work. There will be an orientation period during the last week of August. Internships run for three months in the fall: September, October, and November; and three in the spring: February, March, and April. Thus, the internship will end each semester before finals begin.

The position is not a benefits-eligible one, but there is a stipend of $1500 per semester, for which the intern is expected to put in a 10-hour work week. The student must be registered for a minimum of six hours of coursework. In addition there is the possibility of academic credit if the student registers for a conference course (either TC or English) with an appropriate supervising professor.

Applying  
An applicant should provide the following: a one-page résumé, a letter from the student describing his/her interest and qualifications, a letter of recommendation from a UT faculty member or someone who knows the candidate's professional qualification pertinent to this internship

Both letters should be addressed to Danielle Sigler, Curator of Academic Affairs, but should be attached to the résumé and delivered to the Plan II office.

Note: Students may only apply through one program (Liberal Arts Honors, Plan II, Bridging Disciplines, or Fine Arts).

Deadline for applications is April 9, 2010.

**5. 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: ecallende@farleycap.com

**6. 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. 

7. 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>
For further questions, please contact Khushbu Shah.

<Khushbu.Shah@bba07.mccombs.utexas.edu>
(832) 771-9692

5. UThéâtre’s 2010 production: Huis Clos (No Exit)
The Department of French & Italian is very pleased to announce the upcoming UThéâtre 2010 production of Huis Clos (No Exit)!

Place yourself within a relatively bare room from which you cannot escape with the two people you despise the most, and you have just placed yourself in the shoes of Jean-Paul Sartre's characters, Garcin, Inez, and Estelle. This existential idea that "L'enfer, c'est les autres" ("Hell is other people") is the underlying theme throughout his 1944 play, Huis Clos.

The play will be held in WCH 1.120 on the following dates, with Plan II students in the Friday and Sunday performances:
Friday, April 2nd @ 8p.m.
Saturday, April 3rd @ 2 p.m. & 7p.m.
Sunday, April 4th @ 2 p.m.

Admittance costs $3.00 for students and $5.00 for general admission. Tickets sold at the door 30 minutes before showroom.
Cash Only!

*The play will be in French with English subtitles.*

Contact: Corinne Griffin, director, <petitecorinne@gmail.com>

6. Foot in the Door Theater Presents: “The Trojan War Isn’t Happening”
Foot in the Door Theater presents a new translation of Jean Giraudoux's 'The Trojan War Isn't Happening', a play written in France in between the first and second World Wars. At times humorous and sad, bitter and sweet, philosophical and straightforward, the play explores the inevitable tragedy of human conflict and bloodshed and the impossibility of pursuing peace in a world tuned for war.

April 1st, 2nd and 3rd at 8 p.m.
April 8th and 9th at 8 p.m.
April 10th at 3 p.m.

ART 1.102
$5 at the door

7. Net Impact
If you’re interested in art and the environment, consider the Art Competition for “Green Living Choices.” Submit a piece of artwork that illustrates green living aspects that convey a positive environmental message by April 5 and have the chance to win $400! For more information, check out <www.UTNetImpact.com>

8. Research Project to Improve Body Image
Do you like what you see in the mirror? If the answer is “No” and you want to feel better about your body, we’d like to invite you to participate in The Body Project - a research study designed to promote body acceptance! The Body Project is funded by the National Institutes of Health, and it is specifically designed to help young women feel better about their bodies.

The study is open to any female student at UT and it consists of four assessments spread out over the next two years. Each assessment involves completion of an interview and short written survey, and you can receive up to $180 for participating.

Some participants will also have the opportunity to attend a free 4 hour workshop designed to improve your body image.

For more information or questions email at <saraweber@mail.utexas.edu> or by phone at (512) 475-8165.

Sara L. Weber, LPC
Integrated Health
University of Texas Counseling Center
<http://www.utexas.edu/student/cmhc/>

University of Texas Health Center
<http://healthyhorns.utexas.edu/>
(512) 475.8165

Documentary Screenings, 3/30 and 4/5

The Career Exploration Center and the UT Learning Center present TWO screenings of the one-hour documentary film, "Naturally Obsessed: The Making of a Scientist." Each screening will be followed by a discussion of the film.

Humorous and heart-breaking, "Naturally Obsessed: The Making of a Scientist," is a penetrating view of what it takes to be a scientist. Drawn from three years in the Shapiro Lab, the film focuses on the lives of graduate students as they learn what it means to work towards the PhD degree.

For more information on the film:
Site: <http://naturallyobsessed.com>
Trailer: <http://naturallyobsessed.com/blog/trailer-2/>

Screening Dates and Times:
Tuesday, March 30th & Monday, April 5th 5-6:30 p.m. at the Career Exploration Center, Jester A115
RSVP at <http://www.utexas.edu/student/cec/calendar>

10. 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>

11. 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...
12. **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> - 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:vickichang@mail.utexas.edu> or Vicki Chang, Jean Holloway Committee Chair <vickichang@mail.utexas.edu>

13. **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>.

14. **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.*

15. **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/>

16. **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.

17. **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>

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

1. **Orange Jackets Scholarship**

The Orange Jackets are currently recruiting applicants for their Margaret C. Berry scholarship. This scholarship honors one outstanding sophomore woman with a commitment to leadership, scholarship, and service. The award is given by the Orange Jackets, Mortar Board, and the Texas Exes. It consists of a $725 scholarship from the Texas Exes as well as honorary memberships into both Orange Jackets (beginning the upcoming fall semester) and Mortar Board. For more information please
visit <http://www.ojackets.org>. The application deadline is April 8th. Please contact Sara Haji at <sara.haji@gmail.com> with questions.

2. **Spring 2010 Senate Undergraduate Research Grant**

The Senate of College Councils and the School of Undergraduate Studies invite you to apply for this semester’s Undergraduate Research Grant. The award seeks to encourage students to get involved in research early in their undergraduate experience. Eligible applicants include full-time undergraduate students assisting a faculty member with a research project as well as students conducting independent research.

One winner will receive a $1,000 award from the Senate of College Councils toward his or her research. The award recipient will be expected to compose a brief paper reflecting on their experiences at the end of the academic year.

The deadline for all materials is Friday, April 2nd at 5 PM. Submit your application in person to Becky Carreon in the Senate of College Councils’ office, SSB 4.206. Please contact Austin Gunter at <a_gunter@mail.utexas.edu> with questions regarding the application.

3. **WGS Undergraduate Awards**

The Cynthia Walker Peña Scholarship

This is awarded each spring to a deserving undergraduate who has earned distinction in WGS scholarship and service. Please check the Peña Award page for details. <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/centers/cwgs/awards/Undergraduate/Pena-Scholarship.php>

The Lora Romero Memorial Award for Interdisciplinary Research in Race, Ethnicity and Gender

This is an annual award created in memory of former UT colleague, Lora Romero. One or two awards will be presented each spring, alternating between graduate and undergraduate student recipients. The award will honor and support students working in the area of gender studies and Chicano/a studies or the intersection between race, ethnicity and gender. Please check the Romero Award page for details. **Deadline April, 7th.**

4. **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>.

**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 application deadline is April 14, 2010. <http://www.archercenter.org/programs/welcome_beltway.html>

**Program Fee**

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 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/2>

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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>

**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 <plan2inewsletter@austin.utexas.edu>. News items for the letter include announcements from the Plan II office.
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