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**WELCOME BACK, PLAN II!**
Barton Springs at Zilker Park
1. Gone to Texas!
Tonight, August 28 from 6 p.m.
"Join other new students at the Tower the night before classes begin and discover whit is means to be a Longhorn." This is where you turn ORANGE. Everyone goes. Lots of fun. Not to be missed.

Every college has an event and some food prior to the big event at the Tower. The College of Liberal Arts (CoLA) has BBQ at the Turtle Pond from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (veggie options always available). See the GTT schedule: http://www.utexas.edu/events/gtt/schedule.php

2. Plan II Convocation
Thursday, September 6 at 7 p.m. Welch 1.308

Students have an early dinner with their Plan II World Literature fellow students and Plan II peer advisers prior to Convocation. Convocation kicks off the academic year and is MANDATORY for Plan II first-year students. Be there by 6:45-50 to check in. Invite your professor to join you at dinner and at convocation—most love to take part. If you have a class when Convocation is scheduled or if you are attending the scholarship dinner at the Texas Exes you will be excused but you must contact Mary Dillman, mdillman@austin.utexas.edu, prior to Convocation.

3. Plan II GETAWAY!
Friday, September 7 from 4 p.m. - 9 p.m. Buses will leave at 4:10 pm from Littlefield Fountain

Getaway information and the registration form are available on the Plan II site: http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/current_stdnts/first-yr/. If you won’t be 18 yet on the day of Getaway (Friday, September 7) be sure to use the "minor" forms. You can mail the forms in with the check or bring it to the front desk at Hogg Heaven (Plan II office, WC Hogg 4.104) when you arrive on campus. The Getaway registration form is also where you join Plan II Students’ Association, which you ALL want to do. ¡Muy importante!

4. Plan II E-mail Ambassadors Needed
Plan II students volunteers are needed to serve as e-mail ambassadors to prospective students. Volunteers, names, and major(s)/interests will be posted on http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/applicants/contacts/ with a link to their email address. Prospective students may contact a real live student with questions about student life in Plan II and at UT Austin, including dorm life, Plan II and UT student organizations. Plan II life, why you chose Plan II, and very often, what it is like to combine Plan II with another major and/or degree. There is a need for Plan II student contacts who are combining majors and degrees in fine arts, engineering, communication, and architecture, but purely Plan II, and Plan II/Liberal Arts double-majors, pre-med and pre-law are, OF COURSE, welcome. Send your name, your email address, your year (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) and other majors, degrees, and special interests to Jennifer Scalora, scalora@austin.utexas.edu.

5. Plan II World Lit Ambassadors Needed
Plan II Honors is seeking receptionists for the fall 2012 semester. Pay is $8 to $10 per hour, depending on experience and credit hours. Scheduling is flexible: shifts are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays and MWF afternoons. Previous experience is welcome but not required. Training will be provided. To apply, please complete an application, which is available at the Plan II front desk or online at http://www.utexas.edu/hr/forms/student_nonbenefits_eligible_emp_app.pdf.

Please provide your fall class schedule along with the application. Applications are due to the Plan II receptionist no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 18, 2012. If you have any questions, please e-mail Elsie Rebolloso: elsieqr@austin.utexas.edu

6. Plan II Honors Overnight Ambassadors Needed
Are you an on-campus dorm resident eager to show off Plan II and UT Austin? If so, Plan II needs volunteers to host visiting prospective students for an overnight stay in a dorm. Host provide visitors with (utterly reliable) solid contact information, a firm meeting time, directions around campus and to the cafeteria, and a floor to sleep on for the night. Honors dorms, Duren, and San Jacinto are the most often requested, but hosts from all on-campus dorms are appreciated. Both male and female hosts are needed. Overnight ambassadors will be asked to house overnight visitors only once or twice throughout the year. These overnight visits are an important part of many college choice decisions. Volunteers are not expected to play tour guide or babysitter during a visit, but we expect our Plan II hosts are gracious ambassadors for Plan II and UT, and hope they will proudly include visitors in activities. To volunteer, contact P2SA Recruitment Chairs Kelsey McKinney (mckinney.kelsey@gmail.com) & Sara Saastamoinen (sara.saastamoinen@gmail.com) p2recruitment@gmail.com ASAP!

7. Plan II Girls Community Group Dessert Meet-and-Greet
Thursday, September 13 at 8 p.m.

Plan II Girls Community Group is a misional community group supported by the Austin Stone Community Church and co-led by P2 Juniors Kelsey McKinney and Chrissy Thompson. On Thursday, September 13th there will be a potluck dessert meet-and-greet to kick off the year, Chrissy's apt, 8pm. The group is open to all Plan II women. Normal meetings will resume Thursday, September 20th at 8pm. If you have questions, comments, dessert suggestions, or need directions to Chrissy's apartment, contact Kelsey (mckinney.kelsey@gmail.com) or Chrissy (chrissyt17@gmail.com).

ACADEMIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Undergraduate Research Assistant position at OSFS
The Office of Student Financial Services is hiring (work-study) undergraduate research assistants. Students can apply through Hire-a-Longhorn job bank at http://www.hirealonghorn.org/jobbank/index.html. If you have any students in Liberal Arts that you think might be interested, please call this to their attention. The job can continue in the spring. Appointments are semester by semester.

To qualify for this position a student must have financial need, but not necessarily have already received a work-
study award. If OSFS has already filled the student’s need with grants and loans, OSFS will adjust the loans and substitute what the student will earn from the undergraduate research assistantship for whatever adjustment made.

$10.50 per hour at 11 hours per week, start date: September 3

Description: The undergraduate research assistant (URA) will provide support for the research projects of the Office of Student Financial Services. This person will assist with gathering, entering, and analyzing data. In addition, this individual will carry out literature reviews and contribute to analyzing and compiling research findings. The research conducted will primarily relate to issues of affordability in higher education.

Desired Class Level(s): Sophomore

The URA should have good written and oral communication skills, meet deadlines, and be detail-oriented. The person should demonstrate a willingness to learn work routines and research methods. The ideal URA should be self-motivated, flexible, and able to work with minimal supervision. The URA should be a team player and be interested in professional development. This individual should have good time management skills and take responsibility for making progress. Experience with Microsoft Excel is required.

2. Registration is open for University Extension’s fall 2012 courses

Registration is open for all of University Extension's Fall 2012 classroom and online cohort courses, which begin the week of September 4.

UEX courses can be used to:
Meet core curriculum requirements.
Finish up that last course to graduate.
Take a prerequisite for graduate and professional school.

Financial aid can be used to pay for semester-based classroom courses. It is a good idea to check with the Office of Student Financial Services before registering.

UEX grades are provided on an official university transcript and included in one’s cumulative UT GPA.

Learn more and register at [http://www.utexas.edu/ce/uex/fall2012](http://www.utexas.edu/ce/uex/fall2012). Call or write to UEX at (512) 471-2900 or uex@austin.utexas.edu.

3. Boston Consulting Group is seeking Plan II Honors applicants

UT alums from BCG will be hosting informal office hours in the Meyerson Room, WC Hogg 4.118 (down the hall from the Plan II office) from 9:00 am-11:15 am on Friday, August 31. Stop by and chat for a chance to learn a little about consulting. No reservations needed. Dress is casual. The Boston Consulting Group, or BCG ([www.bcg.com](http://www.bcg.com)), is a private, global management consulting firm and the world's leading advisor on business strategy with over 77 offices in 42 countries around the world. BCG partners with clients in all sectors and regions to identify their highest-value opportunities, address their most critical challenges, and transform their businesses through robust implementation and change management.

That same day, Boston Consulting Group is also hosting a Lunch & Learn: About Consulting. On Friday, August 31st from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm at ECJ 1.202 BCG is partnering with SWE to host an informal lunch on the engineering campus. Lunch will be provided until food runs out, and there will be activities related to consulting. UT alums from BCG will be available to talk about life after college, careers, consulting, and BCG. Dress is casual.

On September 6th, representatives from The Boston Consulting Group will be on campus to discuss opportunities for students and to help you get to know us. Students with an interest in a full time position in management consulting, who are graduating between December 2012 and August 2013 are encouraged to attend. Information Session: Thursday, September 6th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at UTC 3.110. Dress is casual.

4. Apply for the Health Information Technology program

A professional education program in Health Information Technology has been created in the College of Natural Sciences, which leads directly to well paying jobs as trainers, implementation project managers, marketing and sales specialists and consultants in the rapidly expanding field of Health IT. College students with a baccalaureate degree or better can participate in this intensive 9 week program leading to a certificate in Health Information Technology and Health Information Exchange, for only $5,000.00. This program is designed to “fast track” university graduates into this rapidly evolving field. A total of 275 students (in five cohorts) have now completed the certificate program.

The Fall 2012 Certificate program begins on September 4th and applications are being evaluated on a rolling basis. This opportunity is limited to 55 students in Austin and an additional 10-15 students at UT Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas.

Learn more about our program at [http://healthit.cns.utexas.edu](http://healthit.cns.utexas.edu), and apply at [https://surveystation.austin.utexas.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=7l2Mno34](https://surveystation.austin.utexas.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=7l2Mno34)

5. Learn Two Languages and Study in India with the Hindi Urdu Flagship

HUF is a prestigious, federally funded program that gives UT undergraduate students, majoring in the subject of their choice, an intensive training in Hindi and Urdu and the cultures behind them. Courses include everything from Bollywood dialogues to the technical language of medicine and business.

Spend a year in India, studying Hindi and Urdu and completing a meaningful internship related to your UT major. Emerge from this program as a global professional, to use the languages and skills that will bring you unique employment possibilities and a whole new vision of the world.

Visit [hindiurduflagship.org](http://hindiurduflagship.org) for more information and to apply for admission for Fall 2012.

6. College of Natural Sciences seeks Spanish-speaking Research Assistants

Dr. Su Yeong Kim, a faculty member in the Department of Human Development and Family Sciences, College of Natural Sciences, is conducting a research study on Mexican American children and families. He is seeking undergraduate research assistants to recruit families over
the phone and interview families in-person. They seek students with strong Spanish language skills to be research assistants in our project. Students can receive course credit through HDF 355, a research practicum course, for their work on the project. Non-HDF majors can use HDF 355 as an elective course for their degree plan. Dr. Kim is seeking interviewers for Fall 2012 and beyond. Students with strong Spanish language skills can email Dr. Kim at sykim@pre.utexas.edu for more information.

7. Gilman Study Abroad Scholarship Spring 2013 Application Open

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program is happy to announce that the online application system is now open for students participating in study abroad programs during the spring 2013 term.

Spring 2013 online applications are due October 2, 2012 by 11:59pm CST

For students applying for any academic term (academic year, fall, spring or summer) please find the eligibility requirements below:

Enrolled as an undergraduate student at a two or four-year U.S. Institution United States citizen

Receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application or during the term of study abroad

Participating in a study abroad program that is no less than 4 weeks (28 days) in one country and no more than an academic year

Receiving academic credit

Study in any country not currently under a U.S. State Department Travel Warning or Cuba

For more information about the Gilman Scholarship, webinar schedules, and other helpful resources please visit the Gilman website at www.iie.org/gilman.

8. Attend “The Arab World Unbound” with Dr. Vijay Mahajan

Tuesday, September 4 from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
AT&T Executive Education & Conference Center, Room 202

Join Dr. Mahajan, professor of marketing at the McCombs School of Business, for lunch at the Texas Enterprise Speaker Series - "The Arab World Unbound: Tapping into the Power of 350 Million Consumers."

In his presentation on September 4, Dr. Mahajan will peel away Western-world stereotypes of Arab consumers to reveal diverse, vibrant and entrepreneurial consumer markets.

The cost to attend is $20 and includes a box lunch with dessert and beverage. Register online at http://directory.mccombs.utexas.edu/site/Calendar?id=113623&view=Detail

Read more about this program (including FAQ’s, examples of internship activities and an easy to complete internship contract) on the web at http://communication.utexas.edu/ie/. For future information, contact Professor Richard Cherwitz, spaj737@uts.cc.utexas.edu.

STUDY ABROAD

1. Study Abroad Fair

Wednesday, September 12 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Gregory Plaza

The Study Abroad International Office is holding a Study Abroad Fair on September 12 at Gregory Plaza. Come learn about the different Study Abroad programs UT has to offer. For more information, visit http://world.utexas.edu/abroad or contact Bob Micks at (512) 471-2462 or rmicks@austin.utexas.edu.

EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIPS

1. The Strauss Center seeks Research Interns

The Strauss Center is seeking several Democracy and Governance Research Interns on a project researching the effectiveness of democracy and good governance programs in Africa. The Strauss Center’s Climate Change and African Political Stability program is conducting case studies exploring which democracy aid programs—under what conditions—are most effective in Africa. The studies will also consider how democracy programming must shift in response to varying degrees of conflict, ethnic division, and human development. Case study countries include Benin, Burundi, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Malawi, Niger, the Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, and Tanzania.

Intern responsibilities will include:

Research and data collection on democracy and governance aid programs in case study countries
Research on legal texts and political histories in case study countries
Management of case study research files

Required qualifications:
Academic or work experience related to public policy, governance, democratic development, international aid, and/or Africa
Excellent research skills
Excellent writing and communication skills
Excellent organizational skills
A commitment to the mission of the Strauss Center

These are unpaid internships of 10-15 hours per week. The internship is from September - December 2012, with the possibility of being extended into Spring 2013. The exact start and end dates are negotiable.

To apply, please send a resume and letter of interest to Ashley Moran at amoran@austin.utexas.edu. The first round of applications will be reviewed September 7, 2012.

USEFUL MISCELLANY

1. About 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.edu. News items for the letter include announcements from the Plan II office and the Plan II Student Association and performances and exhibits by Plan II students.

Read the newsletter to learn about courses, registration, advising, job opportunities and special events.

2. Submitting to Plan2News
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 the sole advertisement for a position or an event. To reach a wider audience, please use university-wide electronic and paper advertising outlets.

Personal and political announcements will not be published in Plan2News. Job and internships announcements must be sent to the Liberal Arts Career Services office, after which they may be considered for publication in the newsletter.

To place a news item in Plan2News, you must do the following:
- 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.
- 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 p.m. on Monday (for the Tuesday letter) or 3 p.m. on Thursday (for the Friday letter). The 3 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.