

HONORS NEWS & NOTES
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HONORS PROGRAM INFORMATION

FALL 2005 HONORS CALENDAR

November 5: HSB Ice Skating, 8:00-10:00 p.m., ISU Ice Arena
November 6: HSB Sunday Before Class, 5:00 p.m., Jischke Honors Building
November 15: Spring semester Honors seminar registration begins at noon
December 4: HSB Broomball, 11:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m., ISU Ice Arena
December 5: Poster Presentation, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Great Hall
December 5-9: Dead Week
December 12-16: Finals Week

HONORS SEMINARS

Seminar registration begins Tuesday, November 15th at noon. Seminars titles are listed below, but for more information and descriptions for the seminars, check the Honors webpage at <http://www.public.iastate.edu/~honors/seminars/s06seminars.html> or get a brochure in the Honors Office. Honors Seminars' Reference Numbers will be posted soon so please be patient. Reminder: DO NOT REGISTER BEFORE NOON. Any adds before noon will not be considered valid.

Innovation and Entrepreneurship - Turning an Idea into a Profitable Business Opportunity
Workplace Violence: Threat Assessment & Management on Campus
Tokien's Mythology
Issues in Biology and Medicine
Rich Countries, Poor Countries: Alleviating Poverty in an Unequal World
Unfit to Read? Banned and Challenged Books in America
Celtic Dance and Culture
Living on (Fault) Lines
Race, Ethnicity and Community Relations
The Origin of Complexity: How Evolution Tames Random Creativity
Healthy Campus 2010
Orienteering – Map & Compass Navigation
What is Life?
Unlocking the Da Vinci Code
Street Law
Why are We Here?
Current Issues in Higher Education
Personal and Professional Leadership
Making Difficult Decision: Advice from a Medieval Knight

Additional seminars may be added to the list before November 15th. Please check the website for the most current and up-to-date listing.

GRADUATION/POSTER INFO

If you are Graduating and/or Presenting a Poster in December and haven't already, please confirm these plans with Linda Young (lindakay@iastate.edu). And please watch for an e-mail/letter with information on forms and due dates that you will need to meet. Forms can be found on our website, www.iastate.edu/~honors/general/projects. On the homepage click on Honors Projects on the left hand side of the page under General Information/Honors Projects.

Graduates need to complete the '*Honors Project Abstract*' form by *Dec. 2nd* and the '*Post Graduation Info.*' form by *Dec. 9th*. Also, if you received a Project Grant you will need to submit copies of your '*Final Honors Project Report*' by *Dec. 16th*: 2 copies for the Univ. Honors Grant and/or 3 copies for the Stewart Research Grant.

Poster Presenters need to complete the '*Project and Poster Presentation Info.*' form by *Nov. 11th*.

HAVE ANY GOOD IDEAS LATELY?

If you have a good idea for an Honors Seminar topic, let us know. We are always interested in good seminar topics. If you have an idea who could or should teach the seminar, we'd love to hear that too. Please contact Ricardo Salvador, salvador@iastate.edu, 294-4371.

CREDIT LIMIT FOR REGISTRATION

The general registration policy states that students cannot register for more than eighteen (18) credits for

any semester. All Honors students, including 2005-2006 Freshman Honors Program members, have a twenty-one (21) credit limit for registration. This limit will be coded automatically by the Honors Program Office.

PASS/NOT PASS POLICY FOR HONORS STUDENTS

Honors students may not take any course Pass/Not Pass unless approval has been secured from the student's college Honors committee prior to the student selecting the Pass/Not Pass option. Please note that this policy does not apply to courses/seminars offered on a Satisfactory/Fail grading system. It applies only to those courses --- both Honors and non-Honors --- for which you may elect the Pass/Not Pass system rather than the standard A-F grading system.

REPLACEMENT ACCESS CARDS

As of November 1, 2005, the fee for Lost Keys & Access Cards is \$20. Replacements can be purchased in 108 General Services.

POSTING SIGNS

Leaders may post class information on the windows 'next' to the doors, but Not 'on' the doors. There is difference in the type of glass and for safety reasons, signs posted 'on' doors will be removed. Other information directed towards Honors Students can be posted on the Bulletin Board in the Kitchen. Please check in the Honors Office if you have questions regarding policies.

HONORS LAB MONITOR OPENING FOR SPRING '06

The University Honors Program is currently looking for a Computer Lab Monitor to serve in the Jischke Honors Bldg. lab. Duties would include assisting students with signing on to the computers, printing, updating the web site, etc. A qualified person would be able to work a minimum of 10 hours a week with preferably a minimum of 1 hour each day, between 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Interested persons can pick up an application in 2130 Jischke Honors Program Office or e-mail Linda Young at lindakay@iastate.edu.

UNDERGRADUATE ASSISTANT POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR 2006

The Honors Program is seeking next year's 3 Undergraduate Assistants (UAs). The Undergraduate Assistants are responsible for interviewing potential Freshmen Honors Program (FHP) Leaders, planning Leaders' Training, preparing Leaders' Meeting notes and attend meeting meetings, planning and attending the FHP Retreat, and duties related to FHP seminars and leaders. The appointments are from January 2006 to December 2006 and are for 8 hours a week for \$915/semester. The job description can be found at www.iastate.edu/~honors/UA/UA_job_descrip_05-06.pdf and the application can be found at www.iastate.edu/~honors/UA/UA_app_05-06.doc or both are available in the Honors office. The application is due by November 8, 2005.

HSB NEWS

FHP POKER SHOWDOWN

Thank you to the Freshmen Honors Program members who attended our Casino Night during the Retreat. Congratulations to Jesse Erickson who was the big winner for the night! We hope everyone had as much fun as we did!

UPCOMING HSB EVENTS

Don't forget about Ice Skating and Sunday before class the weekend of November 5-6. Join us for some free fun on the ice on Saturday, November 5 from 8:00-10:00p.m. at the ISU Ice Arena. Then come to the Honors Building on Sunday, November 6 at 5:00p.m. for free pizza at Sunday Before Class. See you then!

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & OTHER FUNDING

RESEARCH GRANTS FOR HONORS PROJECTS

Grants of up to \$500 (University Honors Grants) are available from the Honors Program to defray expenses of your Honors Research Project. A description of the project and a detailed budget are part of the application process. Projects that are substantially completed are ineligible for funding - apply early in your project planning process! Detailed information, including applications, guidelines, and funding are available at <http://www.iastate.edu/~honors/general/projects.html> or from Suzanne in the Honors Office. The best grant applications are typed, free of spelling errors, and contain thoughtful and clear explanations of project goals and budgets. Work with your project advisor in preparing your application and call the Honors Office at 294-0855 with questions or concerns. There is no specific deadline for University Honors Grants.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

PHD PROGRAM IN IMMUNOLOGY

The NIH-UPenn Immunology Program is an exciting new graduate program in Immunology. This dynamic new program is designed to combine bring together two of the world's finest training institutions in Immunology: the NIH, one of the most renowned biomedical research centers in the world and the University of Pennsylvania with its outstanding teaching program in Immunology. The Advanced Scholars program will sponsor 2 to 4 students in a new interdisciplinary program designed to train outstanding and independent students in a combination of basic science and the use of advanced research technologies to solve key research questions in the areas of immunology and infectious diseases.□We have a special new emphasis on structural biology of immunological molecules.□More information can be found at: <http://gpp.nih.gov>

Application:□Students must complete applications to the University Pennsylvania as well as to the NIH.□ The application to the NIH must include is described online at <http://gpp.nih.gov/Applicants/ProspectiveStudents/AppInfoProspective.htm>. There is no NIH application fee.□For the University of Pennsylvania, the online application form can be found at <http://www.med.upenn.edu/immun/>.

Deadline:□Applications to the NIH must be sent to the correspondence address and the online University of Pennsylvania application must be completed by December 15, 2005.

Correspondence: University of Pennsylvania-National Institutes of Health-Advanced Immunology Scholars Program.□Attn: Dr. Patty McCarthy, Graduate Partnerships Pgm, NIH, Bldg 10, Rm 1C129, 10 Center Drive, MSC 1158, Bethesda, MD 20892-1153, USA. Tel: 301-594-9605; E-mail: mccarthy@od.nih.gov

ATTEND A MEETING OF THOUGHTFUL INQUIRY

Wingspread conferences, sponsored by The Johnson Foundation, bring together experts and other individuals who are leaders in the development of policies specific to the conferences. Honors students at Iowa State are among the students from only a dozen other schools around the nation who have special status as Wingspread Fellows and are invited to apply to attend the conferences at no cost to themselves. Students attend as observers to the deliberations, but have plenty of opportunity to interact with the experts on an informal basis. In fact, it is not necessary to be majoring in the area of the conference topic. The Foundation is interested in encouraging students to become educated citizens and, thus, have opened these conferences to any interested student. Wingspread was built in 1939 and designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Wingspread is located on Wind Point, a peninsula on the western shore of Lake Michigan in Wisconsin. For further information on the conference or facility go to <http://www.johnsonfdn.org/tour.html> . Please review the conference listings below and consider becoming a Wingspread Fellow. ALL OF YOUR EXPENSES ARE PAID FOR THE

CONFERENCES. Contact Ricki Shine, rshine@iastate.edu, or 294-4292, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE if you are interested in attending one of the sessions listed below.

The Future of Family-Owned Woodlands in the United States

Statement of Purpose: To bring together a diverse group of woodland owners and people who work with woodland owners in order to: 1) share experiences with promoting and assisting sustainable forest management; 2) discuss lessons learned from these activities, and 3) develop actions for increasing responsible private forest management nationally through community-based forestry initiatives and recommendations for supportive state and federal policies. *This conference was developed to:* Increase amount of private forest land managed sustainably. *The principal issue is:* Sustainable forestry. *Synopsis:* A conference to examine best practices of sustainable forestry on private lands and identify practices to promote to private woodlot owners nationwide. *Expected Outcomes:* More sustainably produced timber and more economically viable woodlots. *Dates:* November 11-13, 2005 (Friday - Sunday)– begins at 6:00 p.m. and adjourns at 1:00 p.m.

Bringing Together Arab and U.S. Journalists

Statement of Purpose: To increase understanding and perceptions between Arab and American cultures, and to improve international reporting. *This conference was developed to:* Bring together Arab and American top-level journalists. *Synopsis:* Senior-level Muslim journalists (print and broadcast, including Al Jazeera) and their American counterparts will discuss perceptions and cultures, and exchange information, ideas, techniques, etc. Participants may include The New York Times, Washington Post, Fox, CNN, Reuters, Jordan Times, Lebanon Daily Star, etc. They are encouraged to broadcast directly from the conference and report on the conference in their respective mediums. *Expected Outcomes:* We will co-publish a booklet of outcomes in both Arabic and English. We also expect international news coverage. *Dates:* November 29 - December 2, 2005 (Tuesday - Friday)– begins at TBD and adjourns at TBD

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES HONORS POSITIONS

Check out more information under the Honors Program Information section of News & Notes for details on the Undergraduate Assistants positions and the Lab Monitor position available for next semester.

CAMP ADVENTURE

Camp Adventure Youth Services provides day camps for school-age children and other youth programs on American military installations in the states, Europe and Asia. College students from across the country work as camp counselors, directors and aquatic instructors for approximately 10 weeks during the summer. The benefits include: roundtrip airfare, housing, living stipend of \$22/day, leadership skills, 12 college credits (transfer to ISU as EXSP 300 level), and nights and weekends off to travel. The cost to college students is approximately \$800 which covers tuition, life guarding and CPR classes, uniform, etc. There is an extensive training period which takes place at ISU and UNI during the spring semester.

For more information please contact Beth Danilson, <mailto:bethd@iastate.edu> 515-231-2170, [campadventure.com](http://www.uni.edu/campadv/), or <http://www.uni.edu/campadv/>. Beth say, "I have been a part of Camp A for the past four summers in Italy, Japan, China, and Germany and I recently did a spring break camp in Hawaii. I've made friends from all over the country and have traveled to 10 countries in 4 years. This is an amazing organization and I would recommend it to anyone who loves children and traveling!!"

NEW WASHINGTON CENTER INTERNSHIP

The Washington Center would like to announce a new Washington Center internship program that is fully funded and includes a weekly stipend. They are expecting to fill about 50-60 placements for the spring semester in *defense-related positions* for the Norm Mineta Internship Immersion Program. Mr. Mineta is the current Sec. of Transportation and a former member of The Washington Center's Board of

Directors.

Qualifications: This is a competitive program. To be considered students must:

- As defined by Congress, be Asian American/Pacific Islander
- As defined by Congress, be economically disadvantaged: students receiving financial assistance/scholarships including need-based aid are highly encouraged to apply
- Be officially enrolled in an accredited college or university actively seeking an undergraduate degree
- Have at least 45 academic credit hours completed towards a degree at the time of the internship program
- Have at least a 2.95 cumulative GPA or 2.95 GPA in their official major
- Be a U.S. citizen without dual citizenship status
- Pass a security clearance at the Secret level

Desired Majors include: Engineering, Math/Statistics, Computer Science/Information Technology, Finance/Accounting, Economics/Business, Foreign Languages, Communications, or Political Science/International Relations.

Desired Skills include: Quantitative analysis, applied mathematics/engineering, foreign language proficiency, cost estimate/budget review/acquisitions and procurement, strong computer/IT skills, and excellent written and oral communication skills.

Compensation: Selected students will receive a full scholarship covering The Washington Center's program fee, fully furnished housing in the Washington, D.C. metro area, a weekly stipend of \$250, and roundtrip travel to and from Washington, D.C.

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 4, 2005. To apply: go to this site for more information:

http://www.twc.edu/students/financial_federal.shtml#mineta. If you have questions, please email Jessica Abensour at JessicaA@twcu.edu or info@twc.edu

GET PAID FOR WHAT YOU KNOW – TUTOR!

The Academic Success Center is now hiring tutors! If you are looking for a flexible job that sharpens your academic skills, broadens your ISU experience while earning extra cash then tutoring is right for you! The tutoring experience also looks great on a resume and interactions will build your academic confidence.

Visit: <http://www.dso.iastate.edu/asc/tutoring/becomeatutor.html> or our office in the Student Services building to apply to be a tutor. You will take part in a one on one interview and orientation session if you're hired.

Undergraduate students receive \$7 an hour. Courses that we are specifically hiring for are: Chemistry, Math, Statistics, Electrical Engineering and Biology. Make a difference and apply today!

GETTING INTO FORT JISCHKE AFTER HOURS

In order to have after-hours access to the Honors Building, see Linda in the Honors Office and sign up for access. You then will be assigned a card. If you already have a university-provided keycard to enter your residence, the Honors Building system will be coded to allow you entrance using that keycard. If you do not have a keycard, you will be issued one that you will be able to pick up at the Honors Program Office. It may be as long as two weeks for the new keycards to be issued or for current keycards to be coded into the system.

You will be granted access to the Honors Building as long as you are a member of the Honors Program in good standing and you must abide by the After Hours Building Use Policy. If you lose your access card there is a \$15 replacement fee.

THE AFTER-HOURS BUILDING-USE POLICY FOR THE JISCHKE HONORS BUILDING! Three words: **DON'T BE STUPID!**

If you need further elaboration, read on:

These are a few rules and guidelines that all students must follow when using the Honors Building after business hours. These are based on the Building-Use policy, ISU building-use regulations, ISU security regulations, and Jischke Honors Building supervisor policies. In

general, after-hours use of the Honors Building is a PRIVILEGE granted by ISU security and the Building Supervisor Ricki Shine. This privilege can and has been revoked for student noncompliance of the building policies and guidelines. It is for the benefit of all that these guidelines be followed. HSB, as the Honors student representative body, has the responsibility to make all Honors students aware of these policies and to enforce them. These common-sense rules MUST be followed; by not doing so, you directly jeopardize the privilege of Honors Building use after hours for all students.

---Entrance after hours is by access card only. Card readers are located at the Northeast door and the South door.

---Do not post any signs, flyers, etc. on the walls or woodwork.

---Pick up trash before you leave.

---You may not sleep overnight in the Honors Building.

---Only members in good standing in the Honors Program are allowed in the Honors Building. You may not allow non-honors students into the building after hours.

---NEVER prop an outside door open - it violates the university building-use policy and it sets off an alarm.

---If you are the last person to leave the Honors Building after hours, you MUST check:

*Computers: Are the computers and printers all turned off?

*Lights: Are all lights EXCEPT the foyer lights turned off?

*Trash: Is trash picked up off of the floor? Is the kitchen and lounge area straightened-up? Are all books returned to where they belong?

---If someone is studying, respect their right to study quietly - that's why the building is here.

---Don't use the phone for lengthy personal conversations. If you unplug the phone in the lounge area an alarm will go off and DPS will be alerted. It is for the benefit of all that these guidelines be followed.

NOTE: There is to be no alcohol or illegal drugs in the Honors Building at any time. Violators will be referred to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action.