FULL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRAD STUDIES

The MASDAR Institute of Science and Technology in Abu Dhabi has announced full scholarships to graduate students around the world.

Full scholarships are available to talented students who meet the high admission standards, which include a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0, minimum TOEFL score of 577, and a minimum GRE quantitative score of 700.

Students accepted into the Masdar Institute will be offered a full scholarship, which includes a 100% tuition fee scholarship, textbooks, a laptop, medical insurance, housing in a single-unit apartment at the Masdar campus, reimbursement of travel expenses, reimbursement of TOEFL and GRE exam fees (upon registration at Masdar Institute), and a cost-of-living stipend per month, with no bond or conditions to the scholarship upon graduation.

More information is available on the website at www.masdar.ac.ae. Any questions about the Institute may be directed to assistant provost Stephen Lee at slee@masdar.ac.ae.

CONGRATS TO THE ’09 AWARD WINNERS!

Congratulations to the following for their outstanding contributions and acknowledgement for this year’s Honors awards:

W. Robert Parks recipients: Sam Cotter (student recipient), Paul Castleberry (friend), Joan Cunnick (faculty)

Excellence in Honors Teaching recipient: Jean Pierre Taoutel

Excellence in Honors Advising/Mentoring recipient: Kathleen Waggoner

Outstanding FHP Members: Rachel Cramer, Akshali Gandhi, Vera Prisacari, Mari A. Valderrama Figueroa

Outstanding Honors Member: Justin Knight

Outstanding HSB Member: Joe Cossette

The W. Robert Parks Honors Com- mendations are awarded to a faculty member, a friend, and a student associated with the University Honors Program. Honors students nominate individuals in each of the three categories who have demonstrated outstanding contributions to the Honors Program. HSB then selects the recipients.

Each year the University Honors Program confers awards for Excellence in Honors Teaching and Excellence in Honors Advising/Mentoring. The winners are selected on the basis of their commitment to Honors students and Honors education.

Each year four to six members of the Freshman Honors Program are selected as Outstanding FHP Members. These students are initially nominated based on involvement in their FHP seminar, and the final recipients are chosen based on involvement in activities both on and off campus.

The two Outstanding Member Scholarship are awarded annually to one student each for outstanding involvement with the Honors Program and the University community (for the Honors Member award) or with the Honors Student Board (for the HSB Member award).

Calling all volunteers!

The Iowa State University Honors Program will be hosting a national workshop on July 9–11, 2009 for new honors directors. We are seeking Honors students who will be around this summer to help with the workshop. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Laurie Fiegel at lfiegel@iastate.edu or (515) 294-4292.

From the Honors staff:

This is the last issue until next semester.

(See page 3 for a listing of all our graduating Honors members!)

Have a fun, safe summer!

Good luck on finals!
April is a great month to get started with volunteering! This is your monthly email letting you know about volunteer opportunities with the Department of Natural Resources.

And don’t forget you can get detailed and up-to-date information on all of the volunteer opportunities at [www.keepersoftheland.org](http://www.keepersoftheland.org). Please add [dnr.volunteer@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:dnr.volunteer@dnr.iowa.gov) to your email address book to ensure you do not miss any updates!

**Campground hosts needed**

Campground hosts live on state park campgrounds during the busy summer season. They answer questions, help with check-in, and do other administrative tasks. Hosts may also help with maintenance, cleanup, and any other tasks they feel motivated to tackle. [http://www.iowadnr.gov/volunteer/camphostpage.html](http://www.iowadnr.gov/volunteer/camphostpage.html)

**Great Garlic Mustard Challenge**

Pull invasive garlic mustard plants from public parks in Johnson County. April 20–May 17, Johnson County [http://www.icgov.org/default/?id=1818](http://www.icgov.org/default/?id=1818)

**Prairie Rescues 2009**


**Project AWARE 2009**

A canoe-powered clean-up of the Cedar River will be the most fun you’ll ever have with trash! June 20–27, Cedar River [http://www.iowaprojectaware.com](http://www.iowaprojectaware.com)

**Facilities Planting at Woodland Island**

Paint park facilities. Experience is not required. Opportunity is ongoing pending completion of project. Dates of volunteer service are flexible according to availability. Wilson Island State Recreation Area, 32801 Campground Lane, Missouri Valley [http://www.iowadnr.gov/volunteer/opps/files/missourivalley_paint.pdf](http://www.iowadnr.gov/volunteer/opps/files/missourivalley_paint.pdf)

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**SUMMER VOLUNTEER DNR OPPORTUNITIES**

**You can still sign up for Fall 2009 Honors Seminars**

Registration for Fall 2009 Honors seminars has already begun, but you can still sign up. Find the reference numbers and full descriptions at [http://www.honors.iastate.edu/current/seminars_f09.php](http://www.honors.iastate.edu/current/seminars_f09.php).

Below are the Fall 2009 Honors seminars. The number of credits per course are listed in parentheses (e.g., (2)). Courses that count as an International Perspectives credit are indicated by an asterisk (*), and courses that meet a U.S. Diversity credit are indicated by two asterisks (**).

**HON 321A – Yards and Cars: Building Our Suburban Nation**—T 4:10–6 p.m., 1st Half (1)

**HON 321B – Are You What You Eat?**—T 1:10–2 p.m. (1)

**HON 321C – Dorm Life, Real Life, Fake Life, No Life: Technology and Community**—T 4:10–5 p.m. (1)

**HON 321D – Pirates in History, Literature, and Film**—Th 7:10–9 p.m. (2)

**HON 321E – Creative Writing: Science Fiction and Fantasy**—F, 10–10:50 a.m. (1)

**HON 321F – Caravaggio to the Expressionists**—Th 4:10–5 p.m. (1)

**HON 321G – Exploring the Human-Animal Bond in Memoirs and Film**—T 11–11:50 a.m. (1)

**HON 321H – Ideas Worth Sharing: Engaging in TED Lectures and Critical Thought**—MW 11–11:50 a.m., 2nd Half (1)

**HON 321J – Jewish History in Europe: From the Golden Age of Spain to the Holocaust and Beyond**—W 3:10–5 p.m. (2)

**HON 321K – Christianity and Science**—Th 11 a.m.–1:00 p.m., 1st Half (1)

**HON 321L – The Future of International Development: Continued Aid or Sustainable Action**—T 5:10–7 p.m., 1st Half (1)

**HON 321M – This American Life**—Th 1:10–3 p.m., 1st Half (1)

**HON 321N – Black Book of Communism: Crimes, Terror, Repression**—T 9–10:50 a.m., 2nd Half (1)

**HON 321P – Can You Be Anyone? Using Second Person Point of View to Create Reader-Characters in Fiction**—T 11–11:50 a.m. (1)

**HON 321Q – Resonance: Intersections Between Music and Architecture**—Th 3:10–4 p.m. (1)

**HON 321R – Ethical Eating**—W 1:10–3 p.m., 1st Half (1)

**HON 321T – The History of Reproductive Rights in America**—MW 10–10:50 a.m. (2)

**HON 321U – Conflicts in the Middle East**—T 2:10–3 p.m. (1)

**HON 321V – Contemporary Arabic Culture**—W 2:10–3 p.m. (1)

**HON 321W – Creativity and Your Career**—T 5:10–6:00 p.m. (1)

**HON 321Y – Assisted Reproductive Technologies: Biological & Ethical Considerations**—T 10–10:50 a.m. (1)

**HON 321Z – Lessons from the Twilight Zone**—MW 4:10–5 p.m., 1st Half (1)

**HON 323A – From Incunabula to PDFs: The Future of Libraries**—T 6:10–8 p.m., 2nd Half (1)
The following Honors students are graduating in either the spring or summer semester. Congratulations!

Lauren Adams; Family & Consumer Sciences Education Studies
Lindsey Altenhofen; Biology
Christopher Bahl; Landscape Architecture
Stephanie Burbridge; Elementary Education
Monica Carolan; Graphic Design
Julie Carr; Kinesiology
Samuel Cotter; Civil Engineering
Kristina Daggett; Spanish
Andrea Dahlberg; Graphic Design
Nicholas Dial; History, Political Science
Cliff Dolbeare; Agricultural Education
Jennifer Edmondson; Music
Julie Carr; Kinesiology
Janae Hohbein; Microbiology, Performing Arts
Jessica Grobeck; Graphic Design
Jason Grimm; Landscape Architecture,
John Lambert; Anthropology, English
Andrea Dahlberg; Graphic Design
Anders Holine; Graphic Design
Allison Hannen; Hotel, Restaurant, & Institutional Management
Andrew Isaacson; Sociology
Andrew Kopp; Integrated Studio Arts,
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Bethany Passmore; Hotel, Restaurant, & Institutional Management
Trisha Grevengoed; Animal Science
Charles Fisher; Materials Engineering
Cliff Dolbeare; Agricultural Education
Sarah Graham; Animal Science
Trisha Greynegoed; Animal Science
Jason Grimm; Landscape Architecture,
Jenna Groves; Graphic Design
Susan Fratzke; Political Science,
Kathryn Hodgkins; Biology, Spanish
Meghan Fick; Biology, Spanish
Joseph Figueras; Interior Design
Jennifer Neal; Dietetics
Sarah Graham; Animal Science
Jennifer Neal; Dietetics
Victoria Pauk; International Business
Andrew Temeyer; Architecture Professional
Alycia Reed; Art & Design
Andrew Kopp; International Business
Teppei Shirakura; Biophysics
Michael Eggleston; Electrical Engineering,
Sarah Graham; Animal Science
Matthew Goodman; Materials Engineering
Andrew Phillips; Biology, Psychology
Elizabeth Purdy; Management, Marketing
Lyndsey Tremel; Child, Adult & Family Services
Rachael Heisterkamp; Psychology
Sarah Graham; Animal Science
Susan Fratzke; Political Science,
Angela St Clair; Foreign Language and Literature
Andrea Nickell; Psychology
Scott Nystrom; History, Economics
Evie Brezina; Psychology
Michael Pagan; Biology
Brittany Passmore; Hotel, Restaurant, & Institutional Management
Trisha Grevengoed; Animal Science
Charles Fisher; Materials Engineering
Kelsey Hargens; Graphic Design
Kris Heisterkamp; Psychology
Janna Hohbein; Microbiology, Performing Arts
Andrew Phillips; Biology, Psychology
Elizabeth Purdy; Management, Marketing
Alycia Reed; Art & Design
Brock Reiter; Kinesiology
Clark Richardson; Agricultural Business,
Kathryn Hodgkins; Biology, Spanish
Samuel Cotter; Civil Engineering
Kellie Kendrick; Spanish, Mathematics
Rachael Heisterkamp; Psychology
Janna Hohbein; Microbiology, Performing Arts
Anders Holine; Graphic Design
Shannon Schaefer; Art & Design
Benjamin Schwedler; Meteorology
Marina Seda; English
Krista Sheldahl; Kinesiology
Hanna Shiplett; Interior Design
Teppel Shirakura; Biophysics
Sarah Sletten; Finance, Agricultural Business
Lydia Stone; Graphic Design
Lauren Sueth; Community & Regional Planning
Andrew Temeyer; Architecture Professional
Erin Thole; Dietetics
Lynsey Tremel; Child, Adult & Family Services
Megan Truebenbach; Landscape Architecture
Vivien Tse; Accounting, Statistics
Mindy Tweetjen; Marketing
Noah Van Dam; Mechanical Engineering
Christian VandeHea; Integrated Studio Arts
Leanny Wang; Economics, Sociology
Erin Wessling; Animal Ecology
Miko Wilford; Psychology, Political Science
Tyson Williams; Computer Engineering,
Emily Wulf; Architecture Professional Degree
Joo Young You; Chemistry
Julie Young; Journalism & Mass Communication, Psychology

Interested in attending the NCHC Conference?
You have the opportunity to attend the National Collegiate Honors Council conference with ISU Honors students and staff in October 2009. Students, staff, faculty, professionals, and administrators throughout the U.S. attend this annual conference in order to share ideas, network and make connections, showcase research, and contribute to the advancement of Honors education throughout the world. The conference will be Oct. 28–Nov. 1, 2009 in Washington, D.C. Some expenses will be covered.

If you are interested in attending or getting more information, contact Laurie Fiegel at lfielig@iastate.edu.

CONGRATS TO OUR HONORS GRADUATES!

In collaboration with Clarke College and the University of Dubuque, Loras College (in Dubuque, Iowa) will be hosting the second annual “Streamlines Undergraduate Conference” celebrating literature, creative writing, and languages on Nov. 14.

Visit www.clare.edu/streamlines to submit a 300-word abstract by Oct. 14.

Immediately thereafter, you will be asked to send the complete paper/presentation to Breyan Strickler at Loras College.

Participants will be notified of selection by Oct. 23.

The conference fee of $20 will cover refreshments and a buffet lunch, including keynote speaker, three courses, and beverages.

Suggested paper/presentation topics (in English, French, or Spanish) are American literature, British literature, global/world literature, modern languages, linguistics, creative writing, rhetoric, women's studies, literacy studies, women's literature, literary theory, teaching language/literature/writing.

If you have questions, email Breyan Strickler, Ph.D., at breyan.strickler@loras.edu.