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HONORS PROGRAM INFORMATION
A MESSAGE FROM RICKI
As some of you have already heard, I am leaving Iowa State next month to take a position with the Calhoun Honors College at Clemson University. I will miss Iowa State and most of all I will miss you, the Honors students. I don’t know who will replace me but Gene Takle, the Interim Faculty Director, and Brandy Cunningham, the Assistant Director, are working on some exciting plans for the future of Honors and they
will be here to work with each of you to make sure your undergraduate education is the best it can be. I hope many of you will keep in touch with me after I’m gone – I want to know how you’re doing and I’m available to write letters of recommendation if you need them. I don’t yet have my forwarding contact information but Suzanne will be able to give it to you starting July 1. My best wishes for the future. Have a great summer!

Spring 2006 HONORS CALENDAR
May 1-5: Finals Week
Enjoy your summer!

HONORS OFFICE ASSISTANT WANTED
The Honors office is looking for a student office assistant for this summer and also this fall semester. Wages start at $7.00 per hour and preference will be given to those who are work-study eligible. Please pick up an application and job description in the Honors office. Applications are due by May 3. Questions can be directed to Linda at lindakay@iastate.edu.

ACCESS CARDS
Graduates & non-returning students need to remember to turn in Access Cards to avoid a $20 fee from General Services. You may turn your access card into the General Services Building.

SUMMER HOURS
The Honors office will be switching to summer office hours from Monday, May 8 – Friday, August 11. The office will be open 7:30am–4:00pm during these dates to accommodate your questions and concerns.

HONORS COURSES
Students may obtain reference numbers for Honors courses from http://www.public.iastate.edu/~honors/courses/f06courses.html, the Honors program Course/Seminar Brochure, the Honors Office, or the semester Schedule of Classes at http://www.adp.iastate.edu/cgi-bin/class. Students register on the web for Honors courses during their specially assigned registration periods. Honors courses are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Courses and lab sections marked by a $ require students to pay an additional fee for course materials.

HONORS SEMINARS
The following is a listing of the Honors Seminars still available for the Fall 2006 semester. Crossed out seminars are now full. Descriptions of the seminars can be found online at http://www.iastate.edu/~honors/seminars/currentseminars.html. Reference numbers are posted online.

| HON 321A | King Arthur: History, Legend & Cinema | MW 10-10:50am (IP) |
| HON 321B | Cracking the Code of Life: Biology in the Information Age | W 6:00-8:00pm (2nd) |
| HON 321C | Concepts of Ecosystem Health: Is There a Doctor in the House | M 2:10 –4:00pm (2nd) |
| HON 321D | Contemporary Arabic Culture | R 11:00-12:00pm (IP) |
| HON 321E | Creative Imagery, Manipulating the Medium and the Message | T 11:00 – 11:50am |
| HON 321F | Innovation: From Good to Successful Ideas | W 9:30-11:30am (1st) |
| HON 321G | Reduce, Recycle and Redesign – Basics of Campus Sustainability | T 1:10-2:00pm |
| HON 321H | Incunabula to PDFs: What is the Future of Libraries? | T 6:00-8:00pm (2nd) |
| HON 321I | Different Selves: Individual Identity and Its Role in Community | R 10:00-11:50am (1st) |
| HON 321J | The Pilgrimage Route to Santiago de Compostela (Spain) | W 1:10-2:00pm (IP) |
| HON 321L | Christianity and Science | R 11:00-1:00pm (1st) |
| HON 321M | DaVinci and Friends: Decoding Italian Renaissance Art | T 4:10-5:00pm (IP) |
| HON 321N | Developing Your Emotional Intelligence: EQ over IQ? | R 3:10-5:00pm (2nd) |
| HON 321P | Transformational Role of Information Technology | T 3:10-5:00pm (1st) |
| HON 321Q | Foods for Space Exploration | T 3:10-4:00pm |
**HON 321R**  *Introduction to Human-Computer Interaction*  
W 5:10-6:50pm (1<sup>st</sup>)

**HON 321S**  *Art, Medicine, Healing and the Creative*  
TR 3:10-4:00pm (2<sup>nd</sup>)

**HON 321T**  *Are You What You Eat?*  
T 1:10-2:10pm

**HON 321U**  *Cyborgs: Fact and Fiction*  
T 7:00-9:00pm

**HON 321V**  *From LOL to LMAO: Is it TMI?*  
M 3:10-4:50pm (2<sup>nd</sup>)

**HON 321W**  *Wisdom for a Livable Planet: People Who Made a Difference*  
W 5:10-7:00pm

**HON 321Y**  *(A)Broad: Gender in an International Context*  
T 2:10-4:00pm (1<sup>st</sup>)

**HON 321Z**  *Vampires, Witches, & Commissars: Russian & Soviet Fairy Tales*  
F 10:00-10:50am

*(2<sup>nd</sup>) denotes that the seminar will be held during the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the fall semester, (1<sup>st</sup>) denotes that it will be held during the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the fall semester. (IP) denotes the seminar has been approved for International Perspectives Credit.

**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 will have a twenty-one (21) credit limit for registration. This limit will be coded automatically by the Honors Program.

**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.

**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 Gene Takle or Ricki Shine.

**NEW MEMBERS**
Please join the University Honors Program in welcoming the following New Members:

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**CONGRATULATIONS HONORS GRADUATES**
Reminder: Honors graduates can pick up their Graduation Cords from 2130 Jischke Honors Building during Finals Week. *(Those graduating from Human Sciences will receive theirs during their College convocation.)!* Congratulations to the following students who will be graduating with Honors:
HSB NEWS
THANK YOU!
HSB would like to thank all of you who have attended an HSB event this past year! We hope that you enjoyed all of the HSB events and look forward to bringing many more events to you during the 2006-2007 academic year. Thank you for helping us make this a very successful year of activities and events!

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

ROTARY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Applications are now being accepted for the following scholarships and grants:

- **2007-08 Rotary Foundation Ambassadorsial Scholarships** - This program provides Academic-Year, Multi-Year, and Cultural scholarships to study abroad. Recipients are expected to be outstanding ambassadors of goodwill to the people of their host country through appearances before Rotary clubs and districts, civic organizations and other forums. After study is completed, scholars share their experiences with the people of their home countries and with the local Rotarians who sponsored their scholarships.

- **2007-09 Rotary World Peace Fellowships** - This program offers annually 60 Rotary World Peace Fellowships for one to two-year master's degree programs in international relations, peace studies and conflict resolution at one of six Rotary Centers for International Studies located at prestigious universities around the globe.

- **Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program** - This program provides professional development certificate study in peace and conflict resolution for individuals with established professional careers. Participants study in one of two three-month sessions held per year at the Rotary Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. The intensive sessions are conducted in English and are taught from July-September and January- April. A portion of each session is dedicated to in-class study of the theoretical elements of conflict resolution while the remaining portion is spent in the field applying theoretical knowledge.

Information and application materials for all programs can be found on the Rotary website at http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational.

**STUDY ABROAD ESSAY CONTEST: TRAVEL! WRITE! WIN!**

Did study abroad make a difference in your life? Did your study abroad experience influence your career, personal development, or educational opportunities? The Study Abroad Center wants to know about it!

As part of the official “Year of Study Abroad” as designated by the U.S. Congress, Iowa State University is sponsoring a Study Abroad Center Essay Contest. All current and former ISU students who have a study abroad experience may participate. All winning essays will be published on the Study Abroad Center website, and prizes will be awarded.

Please go to the ISU Study Abroad Center homepage and click on “Year of Study Abroad Essay Contest” to enter. http://www.iastate.edu/~study-abroad/

Go directly to the Essay Contest Web site:
http://www.iastate.edu/~study-abroad/YOSA/YOSA.html

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**GLOBAL AMBASSADORS**

The Iowa State University (ISU) Study Abroad Center will be hiring a number of qualified candidates
for part-time paid Global Ambassador positions for the fall semester. Study abroad returnees who are looking for an opportunity to share their experience, promote study abroad, and gain experience in a diverse and international office are encouraged to apply.

Please refer to our website at: http://www.iastate.edu/~study-abroad/Application/Application.html for more information.

**TELSTAR POSITION HIRING**

Do you love talking to new people? Sharing your awesome Iowa State experiences with others? Learning new things? Do you want to gain personal and professional experience, work in a family environment, and develop your leadership skills? If these things sound interesting to you, you may want to apply to be an Iowa State University TelSTAR!

The TelSTARS are a diverse group of 20 Iowa State students who build relationships with prospective students. They answer a variety of questions about the University, and enjoy sharing their personal experiences. The TelSTARS feel that this is not just a “job”. They are a fun group and a meaningful organization! Please read below for the job description and apply today!

Necessary Skills or Requirements:
Enjoy talking on the phone
Able to make good conversation with strangers
Customer Service Experience
Computer Knowledge
Must be able to work a minimum of 12 hours a week. (Hours of operation are 4-8 Monday-Thursday and Sunday 12-8 during the school year. We change to summer hours of Monday-Friday 11-5 in June). Prefer staff that can work commit to summer and fall.

Call 294-4591 or email: telstars@mail.adp.iastate.edu if you have questions! Apply in room 0122 of the Student Services Building. Ask for Jen.

**SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES**

**FULLFILL IP REQUIREMENTS ABROAD**

Still looking for something to do this summer?!Fulfill your International Perspectives Requirement with an adventure by Studying Abroad! The following travel courses have a limited number of spots available.!!If you are interested please stop by 111 Curtis or contact Jamie Harpenau, jharp@iastate.edu right away for more information.!!

**Brazil - May 9 - 28**
- Spend 5 days traveling down the Amazon River by boat
- See how life is lived along the banks of the Amazon
- Visit the pristine beaches of Alter do Chao the "Caribbean of Para" along the Amazon river
- Explore the Atlantic Rain Forest
- Stay in Recife, one of the oldest cities in Brazil
- Visit mangroves and The Manatee Project, Itamaraca Island
- Visit Sugar Mill and Sugar Cane plantations

**Ghana, Africa - May 8 - 28**

!!* Visit a Monkey Sanctuary
!!* Cocoa Research Institute
!!* Go on a canopy walk in the rain forest
!!* Visit two castles used to house slaves once
WINGSPREAD CONFERENCES
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 look at the information below for upcoming conferences 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.

What’s Going On in Community Media?
Statement of Purpose: Across the country, communities are taking control of the media and adapting the new technologies to their purposes. They are partnering with public broadcasters, establishing low-power radio stations, organizing on cable access channels, joining community wireless networks, and producing for satellite-delivered public interest channels. How can we help these innovative communities sustain their efforts and connect with one another? This conference was developed to: Bring community media innovations to scale. The principal issue is: Community media. Synopsis: Across the country, communities are taking control of the media and adapting the new technologies to their purposes. They are partnering with public broadcasters, establishing low-power radio stations, organizing on cable access channels, joining community wireless networks, and producing for satellite-delivered public interest channels. How can we help these innovative communities sustain their efforts and connect with one another? Dates: Tuesday, April 18 - Thursday, April 20– begins at TBD and adjourns at TBD

Achieving the Promise of Community-Higher Education Partnerships
Statement of Purpose: To advance authentic community-higher education partnerships through a network of experienced community partners. This conference was developed to: Advance the civic engagement “movement” through the articulation of issues, solutions, and recommendations garnered from community practitioners who have experienced both the positive and negative sides of community-campus partnerships. Synopsis: Conerees will discuss issues and opportunities in developing authentic...
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building bridges: marriage, fatherhood, and domestic violence
statement of purpose: to improve communications and cooperation between the marriage, fatherhood, and domestic violence advocacy communities. this conference was developed to: address tensions and distrust between these three advocacy groups. the principal issue is: marriage, domestic violence, and fatherhood. synopsis: these advocacy groups share the goal of fostering healthy and safe families. yet their agendas and search for dollars often causes them to behave as adversaries. this meeting will bring these groups together to clear the air and better pursue their common objectives. co-sponsors: center for law and social policy, the national conference of state legislatures, and the johnson foundation.
expected outcome: a détente among these groups and perhaps a common agenda. dates: may 1-3, 2006 (monday-wednesday)—begins at 4:00 p.m. and adjourns at 1:00 p.m.

funders’ network for smart growth and livable communities
statement of purpose: to define best smart growth practices and model behaviors needed to achieve success in states and regions across the country and to help identify indicators to evaluate the network and its members’ impact and effectiveness on smart growth initiatives. this conference was developed to: create an internal/organizational plan for evaluation, which will be incorporated into the funders’ network strategic plan and to develop an assessment tool the funders’ network will use in performing leadership services. the principal issue is: smart growth. synopsis: this conference distills lessons from 20 years of smart growth practice to be applied in regions across the nation. outcome: guidelines for effective smart growth programs supported by foundations and non-profits. dates: may 31 – june 2, 2006 (wednesday-friday)—begins at 6:00 p.m., adjourns at 1:00 p.m.

leadership summit for sustainable america: energy and climate change (1st of 4)
statement of purpose: to review the nation’s progress on sustainable development over the past decade, focusing on energy and climate change, and to develop an action plan for advancing u.s. sustainability over the next five years. this conference was developed to: begin a two year process to create an action plan based on key findings of the president’s council on sustainable development report (1996), and develop sustainability indicators for measuring progress at the national level. the principal issue is: sustainable development nationally. synopsis: this conference begins a series of four with an examination of climate and energy goals for the us. future conferences will address other specialized areas. outcome: an action plan and set of indicators to measure progress, and assignments for organizations to track progress. dates: june 5-7, 2006 (monday-wednesday)—begins at 6:00 p.m. and adjourns at 1:00 p.m.

blue water in green cities
statement of purpose: to ensure that cities and their water resources become ecologically sustainable and are able to provide clean water for all beneficial uses, and address legal and social barriers to urban ecological sustainability and propose practical ways to overcome those barriers. this conference was developed to: explore the links between urban water quality and hydrology, and the broader concepts of green cities and smart growth. the principal issue is: urban water use. synopsis: conferees will develop standards and practices for handling urban water courses in natural, instead of engineered, settings.
co-sponsors: national science foundation, cdm inc., northeastern university, and the johnson foundation. expected outcome: standards for natural watercourses and purification in urban areas. dates: july 12-14, 2006 wednesday - friday—begins at 1:30 p.m. and adjourns at 1:00 p.m.

promising policies to improve mathematics and science education
**Statement of Purpose:** To identify state policies and promising practices that provide concrete steps for state education leaders to take to improve mathematics and science education. The principal issue is: Education. **Synopsis:** This conference will extend the work begun in November 2004 that resulted in a widely disseminated report Keeping America Competitive: Five Strategies to Improve Mathematics and Science Education. Conferrees will look at three strategies identified in the first conference and develop recommendations and action plans for states. **Expected Outcomes:** Action plans and report on policy recommendations. **Dates:** September 10-13, 2006 (Sunday - Wednesday)– begins at 4:00 p.m.; and adjourns at 1:30 p.m.

**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.