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Greetings from the Office of Multicultural Programs (OMP)!

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Copies of this and past issues are available in our Study Center. Current issue is also available in PDF form on our website, www.ndsu.edu/multicultural. Please check prior issues for content items that are still open/available, as items are usually not repeated from issue to issue.



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Scholarships

Actuarial Diversity Scholarship **Application Deadline May 3, 2013**

The **Actuarial Diversity Scholarship** promotes diversity within the profession through an annual scholarship program for Black/African American, Hispanic, Native North American and Pacific Islander students. The scholarship award recognizes and encourages the academic achievements of full-time undergraduate students pursuing a degree that may lead to a career in the actuarial profession.

The Actuarial Foundation awards the scholarship in the following levels:

- \$1,000 – high school senior applying for freshman year;
- \$2,000 – college freshman applying for sophomore year/sophomore applying for junior year; and
- \$3,000 – college junior applying for senior year

The award will be divided to cover multiple semesters or other terms comprising the academic year. Recipients attending school for a portion of the upcoming year (e.g., one semester) will receive the corresponding portion of a full year scholarship amount.

For more information: <http://www.actuarialfoundation.org/programs/actuarial/act-diversity.shtml>

Ayn Rand Novels Atlas Shrugged Essay Contest **Application Deadline September 17, 2013**

Ayn Rand's novels are inspiring and intellectually challenging. But they can also be financially rewarding for high school and college students. The Ayn Rand Institute sponsors annual essay contests that offer 600 prizes and \$100,000 in prize money every year.

The Atlas Shrugged Essay Contest's prize winnings are distributed as follows:

FIRST PRIZE: \$10,000
3 SECOND PRIZES: \$2,000
5 THIRD PRIZES: \$1,000
25 FINALISTS: \$100
50 SEMIFINALISTS: \$50

For more information: <http://essaycontest.aynrandnovels.com/AtlasShrugged.aspx?theme=blue>

Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship **Application Deadline September 30, 2013**

Xerox is committed to the academic success of all minority students. That's why we offer a Technical Minority Scholarship that awards between \$1,000 and \$10,000 to qualified minorities enrolled in a technical degree program at the bachelor level or above.

For more information: <http://www.xerox.com/jobs/minority-scholarships/enus.html>

Urban Great Plains Transportation Institute (UGPTI) Scholarship **Application Deadline May 1, 2013**

There will be five scholarships available to current NDSU juniors and seniors that will be awarded for the 2013-2014 Academic Year. **Students must apply by May 1, 2013.** The application is available online at www.ndsu.edu/transportation/scholarship.

1. The Charles E. Herman Scholarship recognizes academic achievement and promotes the education of transportation students with a preference to women and minorities at NDSU. Funding for one \$2,000 scholarship is provided by the Charles E. Herman Scholarship Endowment Fund, NDSU Development Foundation.

2. The Paul E.R. Abrahamson Transportation Scholarship recognizes outstanding students at NDSU with an interest in the transportation and logistics of agricultural products. Funding for two \$1,500 scholarships is provided by the MPC through the University Transportation Centers Program of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

3. The Transportation Engineering Scholarship recognizes academic achievement and promotes the education of transportation students at NDSU. Funding for two \$1,500 scholarships is provided by the MPC through the University Transportation Centers Program of the U.S. Department of Transportation.



Employment/Internship Opportunities

United Nations Internship Programme Internship Opportunities!

The United Nations is providing opportunities for students enrolled in a graduate programme to undertake an internship at its Headquarters in New York, Geneva, Vienna, Nairobi, Addis Ababa, Bangkok, Beirut, Santiago, Arusha and The Hague. Eligible candidates interested in doing an internship at the United Nations Headquarters in New York or any of the mentioned countries can apply.

The objective of the Internship Programme is threefold:

- 1). To provide a framework by which graduate and under graduate students from diverse academic backgrounds may be assigned to United Nations Offices where their educational experience can be enhanced through practical work assignments.
- 2). To expose students to the work of the United Nations.
- 3). To provide UN offices with the assistance of highly qualified students specialized in various professional fields.

The United Nations Headquarters Internship Programme is offered on a two-month basis three times a year:

- January to March (Spring Session)
- June to August (Summer Session)
- October to December (Fall Session)

To qualify for the United Nations Headquarters Internship Programme, the following conditions must be met:

- 1). Applicants must be enrolled in a degree programme in a graduate school (second university degree or higher) at the time of application and during the internship; or

2). Applicants pursuing their studies in countries where higher education is not divided into undergraduate and graduate stages must have completed at least four years of full-time studies at a university or equivalent institution towards the completion of a degree.

3). Development-related fields such as economics, international relations, anthropology, sociology, public or business administration, or environmental studies. Other fields of study may be considered depending on the type of assignment;

Any work produced by interns during their internship within the framework of the duties assigned to them should be used for academic purposes exclusively. All economic and moral rights (copyright) pertaining to such work will remain the exclusive property of the United Nations.

Interested undergraduate or graduate students should write via EMAIL ONLY to the:

Ad Hoc Internship Coordinator,
Human Resources Operations Section,
Human Resources Management Service,
United Nations Office

Applications (in English) should include the following:

- a) A covering letter stating the grounds for their application;
- b) Recent curriculum vitae (CV);
- c) Copies of their university degrees or a list of courses attended or attending;
- d) Abstracts of academic papers they have written if any.

Kindly send the requested applications documents to the following email address: intern@uncid.org

All applicants must be currently enrolled in undergraduate or graduate programs. No phone calls, please. After careful consideration of all documents submitted, only successful candidates will be notified of their selection.



Seminars, Training, Other Educational Opportunities

Study Abroad Diversity Symposium

Monday, April 22nd: 8am – 1:30pm Arikara Room, MU

Gretchen Cook-Anderson, Director of Diversity Recruiting & Advising at IES Abroad, and Andrew Gordon, President of Diversity Abroad, will share their knowledge about study abroad with a particular focus on the role diversity plays in study abroad. Join us for two sessions and lunch to learn how we can work to expand participation, employ study abroad as a high-impact activity to inspire retention and academic achievement, and seek funding resources to aid our students in pursuing this valuable experience. This event is part of Global Awareness Month.

Please RSVP by March 22 to nds.studyabroad@nds.edu and indicate your lunch preference: chicken or pasta (vegetarian).

Dakota Studies Courses
Register Now!

This fall NDSU will offer an array of courses in Dakota Studies:

Fall 2013 courses:

LANG-199 Dakota Language I (Section 1) & II (Section 2)
Tuesday/Thursday, 4:00-5:15 p.m.
Location: Living Learning Center, Room 126

HIST-291 Seminar in Dakota Tribal History
Tuesday/Thursday, 9:30-10:45 a.m.
Location: Minard Hall, Room 212

The courses are open to all students and will be taught by Dr. Clifford Canku, former director of Dakota Studies at Sisseton-Wahpeton College in South Dakota. A native Dakota speaker from childhood, Dr. Canku has been teaching courses in Dakota language and culture at the college level for many years, not only at Sisseton Wahpeton College but also at the University of Minnesota—Morris and Southwestern State University in Marshall, Minnesota. He is an enrolled member of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate (Dakota Nation). He is the one of the authors of *Beginning Dakota/Tokaheya Dakota lapi Kin* and translators of *The Dakota Prisoner of War Letters/Dakota Kasapi Okicize Wowapi*, published by Minnesota Historical Society Press.
http://shop.mnhs.org/moreinfo.cfm?Product_ID=3210&category=109

Still much a part of the tribal lands from Prairie Island on the Mississippi River to Spirit Lake and Standing Rock in North Dakota, Dakota language and culture are vibrant elements in the fabric of the North Central region and its people. Farther west and south, the language is known as another variety, Lakota.

Dakota Prisoner of War Letters – Book Signing
April 11th, 6:30pm at Zandbroz Books, Fargo ND

Fifty extraordinary letters written by Dakota men imprisoned after the U.S. Dakota War of 1862 give direct witness to a harsh and painful history shared by Minnesotans today.

In April 1863—after the U.S. Dakota War of 1862, after the hanging of thirty-eight Dakota men in the largest mass execution in U.S. History— some 270 Dakota men were moved from Mankato, Minnesota, to a prison at camp McClellan in Davenport, Iowa. Separated from their wives, children, and elder relatives, with inadequate shelter, they lived there for three long, wretched years. More than 120 men died. Desperate to connect with their families, many of these prisoners of war learned to write. Their letters, mostly addressed to the missionaries Stephen R. Riggs and Thomas S. Williamson, asked for information, for assistance, and for help sending and receiving news of their loved ones.

Dakota elders Clifford Canku and Michael Simon, fluent Dakota speakers, provide both the Dakota transcription and the first published English translation of fifty of these letters, culled from Riggs’s papers at the Minnesota historical society. They are a precious resource for Dakota people learning about the travails their ancestors faced, important primary source documents for historians, and a vital tool for Dakota language learners and linguists.

These haunting documents present a history that has long been unrecognized in this country, in the words of the Dakota people who lived it. The dedication written by the authors, both of whom are descendents of Dakota prisoners of war, declares: “Our relatives are watching over us. / We are humbled as we honor our ancestors. / Woecon kin de unyakupi do / We accept this responsibility you gave us.”

Dr. Clifford Canku is an assistant professor of Dakota studies at North Dakota State University. Michael Simon is an instructor of Dakota language for the Moorhead (Minnesota) Public Schools. Both are retired Presbyterian ministers and enrolled members of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate.



Special Events/Activities and other Announcements

Events

- Please “like” NDSU Multicultural Programs on **Facebook!** We regularly post event updates and items of interest. We are at www.facebook.com/NDSUMulticultural .
- **EVENT CALENDARS:** Check out the monthly Diversity Events Calendar, the Diversity Community Calendar & the NDSU Diversity Calendar www.ndsu.edu/diversity/
Also check out the Interfaith Calendar at www.interfaithcalendar.org/



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