FROM THE DEANS

Dear Students,

I would like to invite you to join us for Día de la Familia, scheduled for Sunday, February 19th at 11 a.m. in Bridges Hall of Music (Little Bridges) on the Pomona campus. This is a bilingual program, designed to bring our familias to celebrate the many accomplishments of Latino students at The Claremont Colleges. All students who have a cumulative grade point average of “B” or better will be recognized during the program. If you are one of these students make sure that you are there to be part of the recognition ceremony. Graduating seniors who are present will receive a commemorative medal, and those who ordered a graduation stole will have it bestowed during the formal program. CLSA Sponsors will also be recognized for volunteering their time to mentor and assist first-year students. The program also includes student talent, and we encourage you to participate as part of the entertainment. If you would like to share your talent at Dia, please contact me at:

maria_torres@cuc.claremont.edu.

Your parents have received a formal invitation to Día de la Familia, and I encourage you to touch base with them about their attendance. If they have not returned the RSVP card, they can call CLSA at (909) 621-8044 and make their reservation. We need to confirm the number of people who are attending for the luncheon. We understand that not all familias may be able to attend the program. If your family cannot attend, we encourage you to participate and bring a friend. Call CLSA by February 16th, to make your reservation. The formal program is followed by a luncheon and DJ music at Edmunds Ballroom. This is a very festive event with great company and excellent food. I look forward to seeing you on Sunday, February 19th for Día de la Familia.

Maria Torres, Dean

Final Stole Order

Graduating seniors if you missed the deadline to place a stole order in the fall, you have one final opportunity to do so. Please make an appointment with Ernie Mendoza to see samples and to fill out the necessary paperwork. You have a choice between the hand-woven or serape style. Both styles will enhance your graduation regalia and can be personalized. In order to receive them in time for May ceremonies, all orders must be placed no later than Wednesday, February 22nd. No exceptions! If you have any questions or would like to make an appointment, do so at clsa@cuc.claremont.edu.
Sponsor Application Deadline

The current CLSA Sponsor Team recently gathered for Spring Semester Training.

This group of hard-working volunteers met to review the fall semester and their mission. The Team reenergized as they participated in a series of leadership development sessions. The entire group is eager to tackle the remainder of the semester with an array of get-togethers with their Sponsees. Training ended with a fun, relaxing evening at John’s Incredible Pizza. The photos say it all.

If you would like to be a part of this Team of campus leaders next academic year, submit an application by February 16th. Group interviews will take place on February 21 and 22nd from 6 to 7:30 pm, here at CLSA. All applicants must participate in one of these sessions. If you need an application and/or have a question about the process, please contact Assistant Dean Naddia Palacios at npalacios@cuc.claremont.edu.

Three New Student Organizations

ALPFA is the Association of Latino Professionals in Finance and Accounting. While ALPFA is dedicated to enhancing opportunities for Latinos in the accounting and finance profession, and building leadership and career skills, it is open to all. Katherine Rodriguez (CMC ’14) is re-starting the Claremont Colleges Chapter. As President and Founder, she plans to make ALPFA a well-known name on campus. “I believe that ALPFA can play a major role in the students’ leadership and future career development. We bring business leaders as guest speakers every month.”

Samuel Fernald (’13) has established a chapter of SACNAS at Pitzer. SACNAS is the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in the Sciences. HMC students are also working to start a chapter of SACNAS.

Eddie Fernandez (‘13) was instrumental in the creation of the Nahuatl Club on the Pitzer campus last year. He encourages all to join the Club to learn the indigenous language.

More Good News

Congratulations to Jessica Correa, Pomona senior, for being one of twenty-five awarded prestigious Woodrow Wilson-Rockefeller Brothers Fund Fellowships for Aspiring Teachers of Color. As a recipient, Jessica will receive a stipend of $30,000 to complete a master’s degree in Education. Jessica will receive preparation and the necessary support throughout her three-year teaching commitment at a high-need public school.

A big round of applause for Kristie Hernandez, Scripps ’13, for having been selected as the first recipient of the Gabrielle Giffords Internship Grant in Public Service. It is no wonder that Kristie received this award. She is passionate about public service and community activism. Kristie devotes her time and leadership to the Labor Community Strategy Center, Scripps Social Justice Network, Chiapas Support Committee, Workers for Justice and Café con Leche.

Best of luck to Stephanie Jimenez, Scripps ’12, who has advanced in Fulbright Fellowship process.

Congratulations, ladies!
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Resource Center News

Fellowships

The American Bar Foundation (ABF) sponsors the Summer Research Diversity Fellowships in Law and Social Science for Undergraduate Students. This program is designed to introduce students to both the rewards and demands of a research-oriented career in the field of law and social science. Applications will be considered only from sophomores and juniors with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and majoring in the humanities or social sciences. Students will receive a stipend of $3,600. The deadline is February 15th and applications can be found at www.americanbarfoundation.org/fellowships/index.html.

AIDS United offers the Pedro Zamora Public Policy Fellowship in Washington, DC. The Fellowship is open to both undergraduate and graduate students seeking experience in public policy and government affairs focused on HIV/AIDS issues. Fellows must commit to working a minimum of 30 hours per week for 8 weeks. Both graduate and undergraduate students are welcome to apply. The deadline is March 15th for a summer fellowship. Download application at www.aidsunited.org/aboutjobs/.

Hispanic Division Fellowships with the Library of Congress is designed to provide real work experience in a research environment. Each fellow spends 8 to 12 weeks in the Hispanic Division working on the state-of-the-art programs. Learn more at http://www.loc.gov/hr/employment/index.php?action=cFellowships.showDetail&lastSearch=1|||&record=122. Applications are accepted at any time.

Information Session

Join Francesca Ioffreda, one of our CMC alums, on February 23rd at 7 pm as she leads a workshop on Diversity Career Planning for Deloitte Consulting. At the event, students will get a chance to hear from Deloitte practitioners about how to jumpstart and prepare for a successful career. All students are encouraged to attend; however, they are especially interested in having underclassmen in attendance so that Frosh and Sophomores are able to get a better understanding upfront of the career preparation required. The session will be held at CMC Founders Room.

Internships

San Francisco International Airport has two internship opportunities currently available and accepting applications. They are the College Summer Internship Program which is open to all majors and due February 10th. The other internship is the Student Design Engineering Program is for students with disciplines in Electrical, Mechanical and Civil Engineering, Computer Science or Computer Engineering. Applications for this program are due February 15th. Each program has its own unique application process. Application details are available at www.flysfo.com/web/page/about/jobs/intern.

The Psychology Research Experience Program (PREP) at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, provides intensive mentoring and research and professional development to students interested in a career in scientific psychology. Selected students receive a $4,000 stipend for the eight-week program, housing, a partial food allowance, and full travel expenses to and from Madison. The program dates are May 30th through July 27th. The deadline is February 15th. Application is available at http://glial.psych.wisc.edu/index.php/prep.

Job Opportunity

Grassroots Campaigns is looking to hire Assistant Canvass Directors to run one of their 19 Campaign Offices across the United States (MA, NY, DC, PA, IL, OR, OH, NM, MO, WA, CA, and CO). Contact Regan McBride at rmcbride@grassrootscampaigns.com.

Leadership Program

If your permanent home address is in Santa Clara County in California, you may want to consider applying to the Engaged Latina Leadership Activists (ELLA) Program sponsored by the Latina Coalition of Silicon Valley. ELLA provides participants with opportunities to increase their leadership skills and knowledge of important local civic issues that impact Latinas. The deadline is February 15th and the application is available at www.latinacoalition.org/ella.
Scholarships

If one or both of your parents is an active, reserve or honorably discharged U.S. Marine, then you may qualify for The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation scholarships. Learn all the specifics at www.mcsf.org/. The deadline is March 1st.

The American Society of Naval Engineers awards to seniors majoring in engineering and to graduate students in an engineering or physical science degree program $3,000 and $4,000 scholarships respectively. The criteria and application are available at www.navalengineers.org/awards/scholarships/Pages/ASNELandingPage.aspx. The deadline is February 17th.

The Government Finance Officers Association sponsors the Minorities in Government Finance Scholarship in the amount of $5,000. Open to Juniors, Seniors and Graduate students majoring in political science, economics, accounting, finance. Application is available at www.gfoa.org/downloads/GFOAScholarshipMinoritiesinGovernment/Application.pdf. The deadline is February 24th.

The Lagrant Foundation awards 20 scholarships annually to undergraduates. Applicants must major in a field of student that has an emphasis on public relations, marketing, advertising, or communications. In addition to $5,000, scholarship winners will receive a trip to Washington, DC for a recognition dinner and a day-long career development workshop. Online application is available at www.lagrantfoundation.org/Scholarship%20Program. The deadline is February 29th.

If you will be attending law school next year, keep in mind that the American Bar Association offers the ABA Legal Opportunity Scholarship to 20 incoming diverse law students with $15,000 over the course of three years. Application details can be found at www.americanbar.org/groups/diversity/diversity_pipeline/projects_initiatives/legal_opportunity_scholarship.html. The deadline is March 1st.

The Gilman Scholarship Program awards up to $5,000 to undergraduates to study abroad through the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship. The deadline for Summer and Fall 2012 is March 1st. This scholarship is open to students eligible for Federal Pell Grant funding. Learn more at www.iie.org/en/programs/Gil-man-Scholarship-Program.

For the past seventeen years, The Hispanic College Fund has been awarding scholarships ranging from $500-$10,000 with a mission to develop the next generation of Hispanic professionals. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA. The application is online and can be found at http://scholarships.hispanicfund.org/applications/. The deadline is March 1st.

Summer Science Programs

The Summer Program in Quantitative Sciences for Public Health Research sponsored by Harvard University School of Public Health is six-weeks designed for students interested in public health, biostatistics, epidemiology to possibly convince you that this is the career direction you’ve been looking for! The program exposes undergraduates to the use of quantitative methods for biological, environmental and medical research. Candidates must have a GPA of 3.0 or better and have completed coursework in calculus. Students will be provided with round-trip airfare, housing, and course materials. Additionally, participants will receive a stipend to cover meals and incidentals. The deadline is February 15th. More information at www.hsph.harvard.edu/biostats/diversity/summer/eligibility_index.htm.

The University of California, San Diego Summer Training Academy for Research in the Sciences (STARS) program is an eight-week summer research academy for undergraduates, recent graduates, and masters students. The academy provides research experience and prepares participants for doctoral study. Students will attend a GRE preparation course in addition to graduate school preparation workshops and much more. Participants will receive housing and a stipend. The deadline is February 24th. Apply online at http://ogs.ucsd.edu/student-affairs/summer-research/stars/.

The Future Public Health Leaders Program (FPHLP) at the University of Michigan is a 10-week summer program whose goal is to increase the diversity of the public health workforce. Participants receive leadership training, orientation to the public health disciplines, and real world experience. Round trip airfare, housing, Kaplan GRE Preparation course and a $3500 stipend are provided to selected participants. The deadline is February 10th and you can apply online at http://sitemaker.umich.edu/um-fphlp/home.

Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University offers two programs: the Diversity Student Summer Research Opportunity Program and the Summer Undergraduate Mentorship Program (hosted with The Hispanic Center of Excellence). The Diversity Program has a deadline of March 1st and is for students interested in a research career in biomedical or biological or medicine. The Mentorship Program has a deadline of April 6th. Learn more about these two programs at www.einstein.yu.edu/admissions/page.aspx?id=3080.