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From the Dean

Dear Students,

I want to invite you to Día de la Familia scheduled for Sunday, February 15th, 2015, at 10 a.m. in Seaver Theatre on the Pomona College campus. The bilingual program will include a senior recognition ceremony, Sponsor awards and all students will be recognized for academic performance and achievement. Día de la Familia is a festive event that will feature Mariachi Serrano, our student multicultural ensemble, and a reception with finger foods in Seaver courtyard following the program. Your familias have received a personal invitation, sent by our office, to this celebration. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, February 15th, at 10 a.m. in Seaver Theatre for this great Family Weekend program.

In addition to Día de la Familia, CLSA is happy bringing you a month of

exciting programming. Professor Daniel Solórzano, from the Graduate School of Education at UCLA, will be at CLSA on Wednesday, February 25th from 2-3:30 p.m. Dr. Solórzano received his doctoral degree in 1986 from Claremont Graduate University in the Sociology of Education, and is considered one of the leading experts in higher education. Join us for coffee and conversation with the nationally acclaimed leader on educational pipeline issues and the impact of racial microaggressions on campus climate.

CLSA and the Office of the Chaplains, invite you to a dinner presentation with CMC Professor Gaston Espinoza on Thursday, February 26th, at 6 p.m. in McAlister Center. Professor Espinoza's presentation is entitled, "Latino Religions in the U.S.: Changing Contours of Latino Spirituality." Please reserve

your place for dinner by emailing Dawn Bunch at dawn_bunch@cuc.claremont.edu. Join us for this thought provoking presentation and discussion.

Note these wonderful upcoming programs on your calendar. I look forward to seeing you at these events.

Sincerely,

Maria Torres
Dean of Students



CHICANO LATINO GRADUATION CEREMONY

January 31st was the final day to register on time for the Chicano Latino Graduation Ceremony that will take place on Friday, May 15th. For those that completely overlooked the

deadline, you may still do so at <http://www.cuc.claremont.edu/forms/clsa/graduation/register.aspx> but please be aware that your registration will be considered LATE and subject to availability. If you are

still undecided, we encourage you to sign-up now, the longer you wait the more difficult it will be for CLSA to accommodate your reservation.



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Great News

Seniors have been diligent about cementing their post-baccalaureate plans and despite it being so early in the semester, we are beginning to hear good news. Teach for America accepted 12 Claremont students from their October 24th deadline. Among these 12 are Pomona students Javier Garcia, Karen Herrera, Ricardo

Morales, and Jenny Muñiz. Congratulations to these future educators!

Pomona pre-med student Andrea Díaz has been accepted to premier medical schools across the nation. These schools include UC San Francisco, Johns Hopkins, and UC Davis.

Beatriz Maldonado, Scripps senior has been admitted to

the Ph.D. Program in Anthropology at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign with full funding.

Congratulations to each and everyone of you. Keep the great news coming in, we love sharing it with the community.



Attention Sophomores

The Claremont Colleges have received funding for the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program (MMUF). The program is designed to identify and support underrepresented students who are interested in obtaining a doctorate degree and becoming future faculty members. A primary goal of the program is to increase the representation of Latino, African American and Native Americans in the

professoriate.

Second year students are eligible to apply for the program, if they are rising juniors with a minimum grade point average of 9.0, and are majoring in a core field in the arts and sciences. You must have a demonstrated commitment to the pursuit of a doctoral degree and a desire to become an academic scholar.

Selected Mellon Mays fellows will have the following

opportunities:

MMUF Orientation- 3-day program in May, to be held in Claremont.

Summer Research - fellows will receive stipends to participate in supervised research with their faculty mentor, during the summers as rising junior and seniors.

Academic Year Research- fellows will conduct supervised research during their junior and senior years with their faculty mentors, and they will receive stipends.

Loan Forgiveness- students will be eligible for up to \$10,000 to repay undergraduate loans, if they enroll in an approved Mellon Mays field or discipline.

I encourage all eligible students to apply. For more information please feel free to contact me at maria_torres@cuc.claremont.edu. The application deadline is March 1, 2015. Accepted applicants will be notified by April 5, 2015.

Coffee with Daniel Solórzano



On Wednesday, February 25th, CLSA will have the

honor of hosting a coffee hour from 2-3:30 pm with Dr. Daniel Solórzano. Join us for captivating conversation in a relaxed setting with the preeminent expert on diversity in higher education. Solórzano is best recognized for his research on Critical Race Theory:

Microaggressions and Campus Climate in a Post Racial Era. In addition, he also researches educational access and persistence, and Graduation of Students of Color in the United States

His scholarly research was influential as an expert witness in the Affirmative Action Supreme Court

Decisions Gratz v. Bollinger and Grutter v. Bollinger (2003).

Dr. Solórzano is currently a UCLA Professor at the Graduate School of Education and Associate Dean of Equity and Diversity. He received his doctoral degree from Claremont Graduate University in 1986.

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Resource Center News

Fellowships

The Schuler Scholar Program, a non-profit private foundation based in high schools throughout northern Illinois and the city of Chicago is seeking high achieving recent or soon-to-be college graduates to serve as AmeriCorps Scholar Coaches and AmeriCorps Math Scholar Coaches for the 2015-16 school year. The Schuler Scholar Program prepares under-resourced, high potential students to succeed at the most competitive private colleges and universities. Most of the students come from a population that is under represented on college campuses. Coach positions provide housing, health insurance and pay a modest income. **The positions will remain open until filled.** For more information, please visit our website at www.schulerprogram.org.

Job/Volunteer Opportunities

Assemblymember Freddie Rodriguez is seeking a Field Representative. Interested candidates must possess excellent writing, communication and research skills; good organizational and project management skills; strong attention to detail; and be comfortable with public speaking. Responsibilities include acting as a liaison to federal, district, and local agencies for the Assemblymember and constituents, answering correspondence and verbal communications with constituents, and event planning. Ability to read, write and speak Spanish is a plus. Position will be located in our district office on Chino. Please submit cover letter and resume via email to Francisco.Estrada@asm.ca.gov.

The Summer Program in Mathematical Problem Solving, a project of the Art of Problem Solving Foundation, is seeking undergraduate students or recent graduates to be Residential Counselors/Teaching Assistants for a summer program that gives talented, underserved 7th-grade students a chance to excel in mathematics. The program will take place in summer 2015 at a college campus about two hours from New York City. Counselors will live with the students in the campus dorms. You'll create a vibrant social experience for kids who are discovering for the first time that there are other people who like doing mathematics, you'll also be a TA for classes on topics such as number theory, combinatorics, graph theory, and problem solving, and you'll be a role model and guide for students who are just beginning to set their educational path. Learn more at <http://www.artofproblemsolving.org/spmps/program.html>. If you have specific application questions, send an email to spmps@artofproblemsolving.org.

Casa Libre/Freedom House is currently looking for volunteers to help sustain a variety of our transitional living shelter's programs as well assist in coordinating new projects.. We are in need of volunteers that will help tutor, coordinate events, create a soccer program, and lead workshops on gardening/sustainability. If interested, please visit our website <http://www.casa-libre.org/> and email your resume and questions to Eddie Gonzalez at egonzalez@centerforhumanrights.org

Internships

The American Association for the Advancement (AAA) of Science Minority Science Writer's Internship will take place in Washington, D.C., interns spend 10 weeks at AAAS's Science Magazine under the guidance of award-winning reporters and editors, and have a chance to experience what science writers do for a living. Interns will contribute to weekly news section, including bylined articles in print and electronic services. This internship is open to any minority undergraduate with a serious interest in science writing. The application deadline is March 1st. To learn more about the application procedure, visit <http://www.aaas.org/page/aaas-minority-science-writers-internship>.

The Oregon Public Broadcasting provides the John R Tuttle Journalism and Production Minority Internship—Through this internship, students will be able to participate in a number of forms of journalism and/or production and will be given opportunities to interact with senior management and a wide array of professionals in their field of study. The internship is paid with a 5,000 dollar stipend over the three month period that the interns will be required to work. Eligible interns must be at least a junior in college and in high academic standing. The application deadline is March 1st. To learn more about the application procedure, visit <http://www.opb.org/about/internships/tuttle/>.

SEO Career is the only program of its kind to offer pre-law school students the opportunity to intern with some of the nation's most prestigious firms before they enter law school. The internship summer starts with orientation to introduce students to the world of corporate law and ends with a week-long SEO Career Law Institute designed to prepare students for the rigors of law school. Besides the benefit that comes from getting hands-on legal experience prior to law school, interns have the opportunity to meet associates, partners and hiring managers at the top firms and to start building their professional networks long before they start their careers. Although they have a rolling admission process, the final deadline for summer 2015 internships is March 1st. Learn more at <http://www.seocareer.org/paths-a-partners/law> or if you have any questions, contact Heather Reid at hreid@seo-usa.org or at (646) 435-9593.

The Management Leadership for Tomorrow (MLT) Career Prep Program prepares students for highly competitive internships and full-time opportunities. Career Prep is a national organization that “equips high potential minorities with the winning playbook and personalized coaching that allows them to reach their full leadership potential and maximize their community impact.” MLT has many benefits such as 18 month personal career coaching, four expense paid seminars, and extensive industry exposure. MLT Career Prep is currently accepting applications from current sophomores. The early deadline is February 9th. Apply at

Scholarships

Barbara Wiedner & Dorothy Vandercook Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc.* In 17 years, this foundation has awarded more than \$45,000 to more than 175 young people, high school seniors or college freshman that have demonstrated leadership and/or personal initiative in activities or in an organization relation to peace and social justice, nuclear disarmament, and/or conflict resolution. Awards are \$250 to \$500. The deadline is March 1, 2015. For more details, go to <http://peacescholarships.org/>

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation—The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation awards scholarships for undergraduate college education in all 50 states and internationally. Our scholarship recipients study in a variety of academic disciplines. The Scholarship Foundation provides financial resources, and the support of an extended community, ensuring the children of Marines and eligible Navy Corpsmen have the opportunity to attend college and successfully achieve their goals. The deadline is March 3, 2015. For additional info, check out <http://www.mcsf.org/apply>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM—The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Undergraduate Scholarship Program (UGSP) offers competitive scholarships to students from disadvantaged backgrounds who are committed to careers in biomedical, behavioral, and social science health-related research. The program offers \$20,000, paid research training at the NIH during the summer, and paid employment and training at the NIH after graduation. The deadline is March 2nd. For additional details, go to <https://www.training.nih.gov/programs/ugsp/appcenter>.

*U.S. Citizenship is not a requirement.

Summer Science Research Programs

5C HHMI SURP Summer 2015—The 5C HHMI grant funds a number of summer research positions in Biology research at Pomona, Harvey Mudd and Keck Science. These positions involve 10 weeks of full-time research working closely with a faculty mentor. Students from any college can apply for any of the listed positions. If you are interested in learning more about these positions and applying, please go to goo.gl/lwvNF1. **The application deadline is Feb. 9.** If you are interested, you should look over the projects available on the website and **must talk to the faculty mentor(s)** before you apply. If you have questions, please contact Prof. Cheney at clarissa.cheney@pomona.edu.

The **American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) Research Foundation** is offering 10 summer fellowship awards of \$5,000 each to underrepresented minority students who are interested in digestive disease and nutrition-related research. Highly qualified students will have the opportunity to work with top investigators in the fields of gastroenterology and hepatology. The award includes a stipend to offset housing and travel costs. The application deadline is **Feb. 6th**. Download an application and complete instructions from <http://www.gastro.org/aga-foundation/grants/aga-investing-in-the-future-iitf-student-research-fellowship>.

The University of Colorado SMART Program is intended for undergraduate students who are interested in preparing for graduate degrees in science, math and engineering. SMART offers students the opportunity to conduct research under the guidance of a faculty mentor, and participate in workshops designed to strengthen scientific writing and oral presentation skills. SMART interns earn upper-division undergraduate credit in independent study, and receive a stipend, room and board, and travel expenses. The deadline is February 15th and additional applications details are available at <http://www.colorado.edu/graduateschool/DiversityInitiative/undergrads/smart/details.html>.

The University of Notre Dame's Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program provides opportunities for undergraduate physics majors to experience hands-on participation in research in many areas of physics. Students are granted stipends, university housing, and assistance with travel and food expenses for the 10-week program. Open to rising juniors or seniors. The deadline is February 19th. Learn more at <http://physics.nd.edu/research/reu/>.