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From the Dean

Dear Students,

I hope your first month of the semester has been one of academic and personal growth. If you are a first year student either at the undergraduate colleges or in graduate school, make sure that you pace yourself. The semester is a marathon and it's important to take care of yourself.

September has been a very productive month at CLSA. We had a very successful new student retreat at Pali Mountain in which we welcomed the freshman class to the Claremont Colleges. In addition we started our programming for the Celebration of Latino Heritage in which we had a workshop on how to be a competitive applicant for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship. Moreover, we also began our graduate brown bag series.

Please take advantage of not

only the programming that is occurring at CLSA, but also at your respective colleges. You may find workshops, presentations, or opportunities that may assist in your professional and personal development.

October promises to be a very exciting time at the Claremont Colleges. On October 13th at 4PM CLSA will have a workshop on How to Write a Winning Statement of Purpose for Graduate School. The following day, CLSA will have its second graduate brown bag series. CGU doctoral student Rocio Mendoza will give a lunch time talk on "Structuring experiential learning opportunities for Chicana/o-Latina/o college students". In addition to our academic programming, we will be having events that celebrate El Dia De Los Muertos. On October 23rd artist Annette Armas will be at CLSA from 3-5PM. She will be providing an arts and crafts workshop that

commemorates this celebration. Moreover, on October 30th, we will have a study break in which students can take a breather from their studies.

On October 24th CLSA will be taking students from the Claremont Colleges to the US Mexico Border Wall in San Diego. This educational trip, will shed light on how economic, social, and public policies affect the people of the Americas. Transportation is provided, but seating is limited. In order to register for the border trip and other events please visit our website at www.cuc.claremont.edu/clsa/ and click on the link on the right of the screen.

Lastly, if you not visited CLSA, please come by. We want to meet you and welcome you to our familia.

Saludos,
Tony Jimenez
Assistant Dean of Students

Good News

Pomona College senior Kim Ona has been racking up frequent flyer miles while interviewing at some of the best medical schools in the nation—John Hopkins, UCLA, UCSF, and Yale. Just as

exciting first-year students are already displaying their leadership skills by getting accepted to serve on the 2015-2016 Scripps College Admissions Advisory Board. They are Diana Arreola, Katarina

Figueroa and Julia Martinez. Congratulations women!

Please keep CLSA posted on any recognitions.



SROP 2015

Priscilla Cobian
Pitzer College '16

This summer, I had the opportunity to participate in the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) Summer Opportunity Research Program (SROP). In this program, I was assigned a faculty mentor and had a research team leader (a Grad Student) to help me with my research project. I also had GRE Prep and professional development seminars. I worked under Dr. Jonathon Inda in the Latina/o studies department and my research

was on how U.S. immigration policy impacted the unaccompanied minors coming from the Northern Triangle countries (Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras). Doing this research was not only helpful because of the experience I received but also because it helped me pick a topic for my Spanish senior thesis. UIUC was a large campus, something that I was not used to. I appreciate having experienced college at a large institution because it gave me a sense of what it



The 2015 Claremont contingency at UIUC: front row—Willie Zuniga, HMC; Karissa Muñoz, CMC; Enrique Romero, Pitzer; Priscilla Cobian, PZ; back row—Nike Roman, SC, Sichen Hernandez-Martinez, PO; Camilo Vilaseca, CMC; Itzel Delgado-Gonzalez, CMC/Haverford; Ernesto Gutierrez, PO and Melissa Montez, SC.

would be like to go to a large campus. Aside from acquiring more information about graduate school, I also made new friends that motivated me

to pursue a PhD. Being with like-minded individuals helped motivate me to put in more work and time into furthering my education.

Graduation Stoles, Order Now!

Order your graduation stoles now! November 2nd is this year's deadline for ordering **personalized** graduation stoles. There will be no Spring Semester order this year. Please send an email to cls@cuc.claremont.edu to make an appointment with

Ernie Mendoza. She will assist you in the ordering process. To preview samples, visit the company's website at <http://cultura.midwesttradegroup.com>. You can also visit the CLSA Facebook page to take a look at previous graduating

class photos, get ideas for personalizing your own stole. Stoles will be presented at Día de la Familia during Family Weekend in February. Don't delay since this will be your only opportunity to order.



Mendoza-Next Featured Presenter

Rocio Mendoza, doctoral student at Claremont Graduate University will be the second presenter in the CLSA Graduate Student Brown Bag Series. Join us for Rocio's talk on "Structuring

experiential learning opportunities for Chicana/o-Latina/o college students" on Wednesday, October 14th at 12:00 noon. Register at <http://www.cuc.claremont.edu/cls/>.

You can find the workshop sign-ups on the right-hand column under CLSA News and Events. Bring your lunch and CLSA will provide dessert and beverages.



Rocio Mendoza, CGU, School of Educational Studies

Diversity Forum



will be taking place on Saturday November 7th at UC Santa Barbara. If you are interested in graduate school, this will be a

wonderful opportunity to meet with representatives from some of the best universities in the nation. Admission to the forum is

free. For more information, please contact Dean Jimenez at:

tonyj@cuc.claremont.edu.

September in Photos



The 2015 CLSA New Student Retreat—Welcome Class of 2019!



CLSA Welcomes Everyone — Open House



Presenter Manny Díaz—Graduate Student Brown Bag Series

Resource Center News

Fellowships

The UCLA Law Fellows Program prepares participants to successfully enter and succeed in top law programs and legal careers by affording Fellows access to a variety of events, programs and services. Selected Fellows attend a series of monthly Saturday Academies held at UCLA School of Law in the winter and spring, where they are provided with mentoring, academic enrichment, and career development activities designed to de-mystify law school and the legal profession, and to present these objectives as viable options. **The application deadline is October 16th.** The application is available online at <http://law.ucla.edu/admissions/outreach>.

The Public Policy and International Affairs Program (PPIA) aims to promote the inclusion and participation of underrepresented groups in public service and to advance their leadership roles throughout civic institutions serving domestic and international affairs. PPIA achieves this through a fellowship program that provides student training and financial support for graduate school and facilitates ongoing professional development; a consortium of the top public and international affairs graduate programs in the nation; an outreach program that seeks to educate and inspire young people of all ages and from all backgrounds about public service and an alumni association of approximately 4,000 PPIA Fellows from all across the nation. Application to the Fellowship Program is open to juniors. **The deadline is November 1st.** If selected, participate in an intensive seven-week Junior Summer Institute (JSI) before your senior year. During this summer program, fellows are equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in graduate school and ultimately, in influential roles serving the public. For application and more information, please visit, <https://www.ppiaprogram.org/ppia/>.

The Randall Lewis Health Policy Fellowship provides students with a variety of experiences to develop leadership and management expertise, to integrate learning and practice, to understand individual and cultural diversity, to appreciate individual and collaborate work and to enhance professional competencies. Applications are now being accepted and are available at <http://p4bhealth.org/get-involved>.

Post-Graduation Job Opportunity

The Fund for the Public Interest is looking for smart, hard-working students who work well in a team and are eager to make real change after graduation. Fund for the Public Interest (“the Fund”) partners with leading nonprofit groups from around the country, providing the kind of people power it takes to build organizations for the long-term, win hard-fought campaigns, and make real change on some of the most important issues of our day. And we’re hiring! Specifically, we’re hiring Citizen Outreach Directors to run our grassroots campaign offices across the country next fall -- working on behalf of groups like Environment America and US PIRG. If you are interested in applying, visit our website and fill out our online application at www.fundjobs.org. We are looking forward to speaking with you more about our positions!

Leadership Conference

The Harvard Kennedy School will host the annual spring Public Policy and Leadership Conference on February 18 through 21st, 2016. This conference is open to first- and second-year undergraduate students interested in pursuing careers in public service. Selected participants receive paid travel, accommodations, and meals as well as additional information on various fellowship opportunities. **The deadline is November 10th.** This is a great opportunity and only requires a 500-word essay. Find the application and more details at www.hks.harvard.edu/degrees/diversity/pplc.

Scholarships

The Science Ambassador Scholarship is a full tuition scholarship for undergraduate women studying engineering, science or math. Visit this link for additional application details, <http://www.scienceambassadorscholarship.org/>. The deadline is December 1st, 2015. Finalists will be asked to submit supplemental materials in early 2016.

October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 8-9 pm SACNAS Mtg., Tranquada Conference Rm.	2 7-8 pm Las Señoritas Mtg., CLSA	3 1-2:30 Mariachi Practice
4	5	6 4-5 pm Adjusting to College Life, Tranquada Conf. Room	7 12-1 pm KGI/CGU Lunch, CLSA 8-9 pm ELA Mtg., CLSA	8 8-9 pm SACNAS Mtg., Tranquada Conference Rm.	9 7-8 pm Las Señoritas Mtg., CLSA	10 1-2:30 Mariachi Practice
11	12 4-5 pm Adjusting to College Life, Tranquada Conf. Room	13 4-5 pm How to Write a Winning Statement of Purpose, CLSA	14 12-1 pm Grad Student Brown Bag Series: Rocio Mendoza, CLSA 8-9 pm ELA Mtg., CLSA	15 5-6:30 pm Carne Asada 8-9 pm SACNAS Mtg., Tranquada	16 7-8 pm Las Señoritas Mtg., CLSA	17
18	19 <i>Fall</i>	20 <i>Break</i>	21 8-9 pm ELA Mtg., CLSA	22 8-9 pm SACNAS Mtg., Tranquada Conference Rm.	23 3-5 pm Art Workshop, CLSA 7-8 pm Las Señoritas Mtg., CLSA	24 8 am-5 pm US-Mexico Border Wall Tour 1-2:30 Mariachi Practice
25	26	27 4-5 pm Adjusting to College Life, Tranquada Conf. Room	28 8-9 pm ELA Mtg., CLSA	29 8-9 pm SACNAS Mtg., Tranquada Conference Rm.	30 3-5 pm Día de los Muertos Study Break 7-8 pm Las Señoritas Mtg., CLSA	31 1-2:30 Mariachi Practice