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Welcome Back!

We hope you had a relaxing and restorative break, and are ready to take 2017 by storm.

Consider applying for a national fellowship to be one of your New Year’s resolutions!

Upcoming Workshops and Events:

Summer Opportunities for Freshmen and Sophomores
Monday, January 9 at 3:00 PM, DeSaussure 228
Learn about summer programs such as NSF REUs, the UK Summer Fulbright, Mount Vernon Fellows, and the DAAD RISE at this session

Gilman, Bridging, and Freeman Asia Scholarships Workshop
Tuesday, January 17 at 4 PM, Gressette Room, 3rd Floor Harper College
**Madison Graduate Fellowship Workshop**

Monday, January 23 at 4:00 PM, DeSaussure 228

*Rising Seniors & Graduate Students* Offers support for graduate school to students intending a career as a high school US history, government, or social studies teacher

**Rotary Global Grant Workshop**

Wednesday, February 15 at 4:00 PM, Gressette Room, Harper College 3rd floor

*Rising Juniors, Seniors, & Graduate Students*, $30,000+ for graduate work abroad in one of Rotary's six areas of focus. Local Rotarians will be in attendance

**Marshall, Mitchell, and Rhodes Scholarship Tea**

Monday, February 20 at 4:00 PM, Maxcy Dining Room

*Rising Seniors & Graduate Students (Fall 2017 applicants only)*, Supports graduate study in the UK and Ireland

See our website for the [full schedule of spring workshops](#).

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**Important Fellowship Deadlines**:

**Wednesday, January 11, 2017 is the deadline for the Mount Vernon Leadership Fellows program.** This is a highly selective six week summer institute for rising college juniors (current sophomores) offering unparalleled learning and networking opportunities at the home of America’s first president just outside our nation’s capital.

**Wednesday, January 11, 2017 is the deadline for a variety of Fund for Education Abroad scholarships**, including both the Athletes Abroad (for club, intramural, or varsity athletes), and the Rainbow Scholarship (to support LGLBTQI students), for study abroad.

**Friday, Jan. 13, 2017 for the Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship**: The Pickering Fellowship offers both an undergraduate and graduate version; all students must be interested in entering the US Foreign Service. Two years of funding, and two summer internships (one domestic and one international) are
programs in fall 2017, must have GPAs of at least 3.2, and be U.S. citizens.

Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017, **DAAD RISE**: This summer internship program for undergraduate students in biology, chemistry, physics, earth sciences and engineering offers unique opportunities to work with research groups at universities and top research institutions across Germany for a period of 2 to 3 months during the summer. RISE interns are matched with doctoral students whom they assist and who serve as their mentors. The working language is English.

**Tuesday, January 17, 2017 is the deadline for both the Whitaker Fellow and Scholar programs.** These awards offer support for recent graduates and current graduate students to study abroad while working on biomedical engineering research.

**Wednesday, January 18, 2017 is the DOE CSGF deadline.** Sponsored by the Department of Energy, this award funds students pursuing doctoral degrees in fields that use high-performance computing to solve complex science and engineering problems.

**Monday, January 23, 2017 is the deadline for a variety of SC Space Grants.** Sponsored by NASA, these awards fund undergraduate and graduate research, both in the summer and/or during the academic year.

**Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2017 Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Program**: This national scholarship is for sophomore applicants only. Eligibility includes students whose disciplines are not only related to oceanic and atmospheric science, research, technology, or education, but also supportive of the purposes of NOAA's programs and mission, e.g., biological, social and physical sciences; mathematics; engineering; computer and information sciences; and teacher education. **If you would like OFSP to review your essays, please email them to OFSP@sc.edu.**

**Thursday, February 2, 2017 The Rangel International Affairs Summer Enrichment Program**: For those interested in the Foreign Service, this is a six-week summer program designed to provide undergraduate students with a deeper appreciation of current issues and trends in international affairs, a greater understanding of career opportunities in international affairs, and the
and be U.S. citizens.

**Friday, February 10, 2017** The **R. Gene Richter Scholarship**: For current junior GSCOM students who are future leaders in supply chain management. Awards $5,000 tuition assistance, executive mentoring, junior mentoring and networking through presentation at the ISM International Annual Conference and participation in the ISM Power Conference a year after college graduation.

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**Upcoming drop-in hours for current applicants:**

- **Hollings Scholarship Drop-In Session**
  - Friday, January 13 from 1-3 PM, DeSaussure 328
  - *Current applicants*, come ask questions about your Hollings application

- **REU Drop-In Session**
  - Friday, January 20 from 1-3 PM, DeSaussure 328
  - *Current applicants*, come ask questions about your REU applications

- **Gilman Scholarship Drop-In Session**
  - Friday, January 27 from 1-3 PM, DeSaussure 328
  - *Current applicants*, come ask questions about your Gilman application

- **Rotary Global Grant Drop-In Session**
  - Friday, February 24 from 1-3 PM, DeSaussure 328
  - *Current applicants*, come ask questions about your Rotary application

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**National Fellowship Peer Mentors**:

**Don’t forget you can take a Peer Mentor to Coffee (on us!).** There are 25 USC national fellowship winners and finalists on campus who would love to talk with you about their experiences, and offer insight and advice as you navigate your own applications. More information can be found on our [website](#).

**Peer Mentors are available to talk about the following competitions:**

- Amgen
- CLS (Critical Language Scholarship)
- Gilman
- Goldwater
If you don’t see a competition listed that you’d like to talk with a Peer Mentor about, let us know. We have several alumni who are happy to talk about their experiences!

For Sophomores Only: the 2nd Annual Sophomore Series

We are offering a special series of sessions for current sophomores interested in learning more about national fellowships and how to become more competitive applicants. The program consists of three sessions held on Fridays from 12-1 pm:

Friday, February 3rd Leadership: Dr. Kirk Randazzo will present on leadership – what it is, how to develop it, and how to talk about it.

Friday, February 10th Research: Dr. Dave Barbeau and Ashley Schryer will discuss research opportunities in all fields and the importance of pursuing products of your research.

Friday, February 17th Faculty: Dr. Carol Harrison and Dr. Jeff Persels will discuss building faculty relationships, asking for letters of recommendation, and the value of the application process.

All sessions will take place in the 650 Lincoln conference room, and will include lunch. Space is limited, so to claim your seat, register using this form: https://scofsp.wufoo.com/forms/sophomore-series-registration/ no later than Sunday, January 22nd.

Participants are expected to attend all three sessions. Following the three sessions, you will schedule an individual follow up meeting with an OFSP advisor to help plan your fellowships path over the next couple of years.
**Other Opportunities:**

**The Pan Am Flight 103 Legacy Award**
We are pleased to announce a new scholarship opportunity for the 2017-2018 academic year. Applications are now open for the **Pan Am Flight 103 Legacy Award**.

We invite applications from current seniors and graduates of U.S. colleges and universities who are planning careers in areas related to national security and terrorism prevention. Advances in technology, social science research and political leadership in a changing world are purposes of value to the Victims of Pan Am Flight 103, Inc. Students requesting financial support will be asked to submit an application explaining what they are doing to meet the goals of improving national security and preventing terrorism. The deadline to apply to the Legacy Award is **February 21, 2017 at 11:59 pm EST**.

To learn more about Pan Am Flight 103, Inc. go to
http://www.victimsofpanamflight103.org

To learn more about the Legacy Award and to apply for it, go to:
http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/a4Fr3b49nWIQ
Don’t forget to check out INFO! Find a fellowship that fits your interest, then come see us to get started on the process.

Appointments can be made via our website.
To make an individual advising appointment: https://advisingappointments.sc.edu/OFSP/
To save a seat at a workshop: https://advisingappointments.sc.edu/OFSP-GRP/
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