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Thinking about studying abroad this summer
fall 2017 or
the whole 2017-2018 academic year?

If you receive a federal Pell grant as part of your financial aid, then consider applying for the Gilman scholarship - awards up to $5,000 for studying abroad, and if you include the study of a critical need language, you could get as much as $8,000!

Online applications are now open, and deadlines are coming soon - March 7th. Talk with OFSP today!
Upcoming Workshops and Events:

**Madison Graduate Fellowship Workshop**
Monday, January 23 at 4:00 PM, DeSauzure 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](#).

**Important Fellowship Deadlines:**

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](#)
deeper appreciation of current issues and trends in international affairs, a
greater understanding of career opportunities in international affairs, and the
enhanced knowledge and skills to pursue such careers. Applicants must be at
least sophomores at the time of application, must have GPAs of at least 3.2,
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.

**Thursday, February 23 and Sunday, February 26, 2017** are the deadlines for
the [UK Summer Fulbright](#) program. These fully funded programs for freshmen
and sophomores only offer students with little to no experience in the UK the
chance to spend 3-5 weeks at a university, and learn more about the UK.

**Wednesday, March 1, 2017** is the [Madison Fellowship](#) deadline, which offers
$24,000 in graduate funding for those intending to teach US History,
Government, and/or the Constitution at the secondary school level.

**Wednesday, March 1, 2017** is the [Pat Tillman Scholarship](#) for active duty,
veterans, and military spouses studying full time at the undergraduate or
graduate level.

**Wednesday, March 1, 2017** is the deadline for the [Mortar Board Scholarships](#).
For those who are members of the honor society, awards of $3,000-$5,000 are
available, with applications online.

**Wednesday, March 1, 2017** is the [American Chemical Society Scholars
Program](#) deadline. African American, Native American and Hispanic students
planning to pursue full-time study in a chemically-related field with outstanding
academic records and a desire to pursue a career in the chemical sciences can
apply for an ACS Scholars Award of up to $5,000.

**Wednesday, March 1, 2017** is the National Italian American Foundation
scholarship deadline. This award provides funding for primarily students of
Upcoming drop-in hours for current applicants:

**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

**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
- Hollings
- Mount Vernon
- NIAF (National Italian American Foundation)
- NSF GRFP
- NSF REUs
- SMART (Science, Math, and Research for Transformation)
- Truman
- TUSA (Taiwan US Alliance)

If you don't see a competition listed that you'd like to talk with a Peer Mentor
Last Call! Only a few seats remain!

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. **Registration closes this Sunday, January 22nd!**

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/](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.

[Contact us](mailto:contactus@email.com) with any questions!

**Other Opportunities:**

**Dynamic Leaders on Leadership: Perspectives from Honors College and Liberty Fellows alumni who are making a difference in South Carolina**

On **Tuesday, January 31st,** the Honors College celebrates Carolina Leadership Week with seven alumni who are fellows in the prestigious Liberty Fellows leadership program, leading change in politics, business, and law.
From 6 - 8 pm in the Gressette Room of Harper College.

Featuring the following Liberty Fellows and Honors College alumni:
**Cameron Blazer** - Attorney, Blazer Law Firm, Mt. Pleasant, SC
**Laurie Funderburk** - Attorney, Camden, SC; South Carolina House of Representatives member since 2004
**Iris Griffin** - Vice President of Finance, SCANA Corporation, SC
**Kevin Hall** - Attorney and Partner, Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, LLP, Columbia, SC
**Jenny Horne** - Attorney, Summerville, SC; South Carolina House of Representatives member since 2009
**Jodie McLean** - CEO, Edens, Washington, DC. Edens develops, owns and operates community-oriented shopping places in primary markets across the country
**Ben Rex** - CEO, Cyberwoven, Columbia, SC. Cyberwoven creates websites for organizations through strategy, design and development

**About Liberty Fellows**
Fellows leave their leadership mark on South Carolina. Using their expertise, talents, and resources, Fellows pursue creative solutions to the state's greatest challenges.

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**New American Councils Scholarship for Russian students**
New scholarship to support U.S. undergraduate and graduate students participating in business, innovation, and STEM internships in Russia.

**The Business, Technology, and Innovation Scholarship** supports U.S. undergraduate and graduate students who seek to participate in one of two American Councils internship programs in Russia:

- **The Overseas Professional and Intercultural Training (OPIT) Program**, which provides a six-week summer internship and coursework in intercultural communication; and
- **The Business Russian Language and Internship (BRLI) Program**, which combines intensive language study with summer or semester-long internships at businesses, technology start-ups, and STEM centers.

**Scholarship Awards**
Business, Technology, and Innovation Scholarships are awarded on the basis...
Eligibility
U.S. undergraduate and graduate students in business or STEM fields are eligible to apply for American Councils Business, Technology, and Innovation Scholarships. Applicants must be admitted to either OPIT or BRLI to receive funding. No prior study of Russian is required to participate in OPIT.

Application & Questions
Interested students should submit an online application to either program by February 15th for summer OPIT or BRLI, or by March 15th for fall BRLI. Please direct any questions regarding the application process to the AC Study Abroad Team (phone: 202-833-7522; email: outbound@american councils.org).

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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