



Undergraduate Newsletter

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University and College Study Abroad Scholarships

Deadlines for applications for the University-wide study abroad scholarships and the College' International Agriculture Academic Scholarship are just a little over a month away. **The university scholarship application is due Sunday, October 12. The College's scholarship applications are due on Monday, October 13, by 5:00 pm.**

Information and access to the application for the university's study abroad scholarships can be accessed at the Study Abroad Program's Office at <https://studyabroad.tamu.edu>. Students should select "Funding Your Program" from the left hand menu, then scholarships for more information and application links.

A&M Coaching Minor

The Department of Health & Kinesiology has begun to accept applications for admittance to the Coaching Minor. All of the necessary information concerning the Coaching Minor and the application process can be found at the below link: <http://hlknweb.tamu.edu/degrees-and-programs/minors/coaching-minor>

The deadline to submit the Coaching Minor Application is Wednesday October 1, 2014 at 5 pm.

Shirts, Caps and Water Bottles for Sale

The ALEC Peer Advisors are selling department t-shirts for \$10. The ALEC Aggie Reps are selling water bottles and caps. Water bottles are \$10 and caps are \$15. You can purchase these in AGLS 216.

ENSCO Career Fair

ENSCO, an offshore drilling team, will host a Career Fair from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 24 at the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum. There will be a presentation from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. so students can learn more about career opportunities at Ensco. Lunch will be provided free of charge, but attendees are encouraged to RSVP at reservations.bush@nara.gov or at 979-691-4014. This is a great opportunity for students to meet with Ensco representatives and learn about specific job openings. Students can also bring their resumes to give directly to Ensco recruiters.

Horticulture Photo Contest

The Department of Horticultural Sciences is hosting a PHOTO CONTEST! If you know of any current Texas A&M students that have or are planning on participating in a service project involving horticulture during the Fall 2014 semester, please encourage them to enter our photo contest. We are looking for photos that illustrate the entrant's service learning experience, capturing the impact of the experience. Submissions will be judged on their impact, composition, and technical merit. Prizes will be given out to the top photos!

Any current Texas A&M student is eligible to participate. **Photo and entry forms are due via email Tuesday, November 25, 2014 by 5 PM.**

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Fall International Opportunities and Events

September 18 is the *AGLS Study Abroad Open House*. It will take place in Room 515 of the AGLS Building from 5:15-7:00. Ambassadors & Mentors for Study Abroad team members will be available to share their experiences and help with the application process if students want to apply on site. We provide pizza and beverages, so we ask that students RSVP to coals-studyabroad@ag.tamu.edu by 5:00 on Sept. 17 so we can get an approximate head count.

September 21 is the final day to submit a team application for the *Thought for Food Challenge*. This is an international contest that encourages students to come up with innovative ideas to address the challenge of feeding 9+ billion people by 2050, and then provides finalists with seed money and tools to develop their ideas. Interested students should contact her at lsansom84@tamu.edu by the end of the day on September 17.

October 1 is the deadline for applications for the *Jeanie Borlaug Laube Women in Triticum (WIT) Early Career Award*. Designed to help early career scientists from upper level undergraduates to post-docs who are working with wheat, the award covers the costs of participation in the annual meeting of the Borlaug Global Rust Initiative. Details and application information are available at the [BGRI website](#).

October 9, from 5:30-7:00, the Ambassadors & Mentors (A&M-SA) will be holding a workshop on Fund-raising for Study Abroad in AGLS 129. As students start preparing or thinking about study abroad, they also start worrying about the expense. This workshop gives them information on how they can raise needed funds as well as information on budgeting and planning to handles expenses.

October 12 & 13 – University & College Study abroad applications due, respectively.

October 15 is the deadline for applications for students who wish to represent the U.S. at the *USA Pavilion at the 2015 World's Fair* in Milan, Italy. Organizers are particularly interested in having students with agriculture-related interest and expertise serve as ambassadors as the Pavilion's theme is "American Food 2.0: United to Feed the Planet." As many as 120 students will spend 3 months in Milan greeting and interaction with visitors from around the world.

November 6 A&M-SA will be hosting a culture workshop for students planning to study abroad during the winter break, spring and beyond. This workshop will discuss basic elements of culture so that students are better prepared (and are therefore more confident) and can more easily adapt to attitudes and behaviors they encounter abroad.

November 10 is this year's deadline for graduate students to apply to join the *U.S. Borlaug Fellows Graduate Research Grant Program*. The program provides funding for international research in developing countries from 6 months to 2 years.