Grad Advising Weekly Bulletin 1/12/15 - Internships for Prof. Exp. req., SRP/internship registration deadlines, and Add/Drop Express Advising

Grad Advising News and Announcements

**NEW Non-credit internships and the SIS Professional Experience Requirement**
Students completing an internship this spring to fulfill the SIS MA Professional Experience requirement must register the internship. Internships can be registered either for non-credit (no tuition charge, only fulfills the Professional Experience requirement) or for academic credit (tuition charges apply, may fulfill the Elective requirement in addition to the Professional Experience requirement). For more information about the SIS Professional Experience requirement visit the SIS Graduate Advising website. For more information on registering internships, please see below or review the Spring 2015 Add/Drop Registration FAQs http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/News-and-Announcements.cfm or visit the SIS Graduate Advising website. http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/index.cfm

**NEW Internship and Independent Study (including SRP and thesis) Registration Forms Deadline**
Students registering Internships (for academic credit or non-credit to fulfill the professional experience requirement) or Independent Studies (including SRPs and theses) for the spring 2015 semester are required to submit their completed registration materials (including any necessary approvals and attachments) to the Graduate Advising office by Thursday, January 22 to allow time for processing before Monday, January 26. Incomplete paperwork will not be processed. Students who anticipate securing a spring internship after the registration deadline, or who will be unable to complete registration paperwork by the deadline for any reason, should contact their academic advisor in advance of the deadline to discuss options. For information on registering independent studies (including SRPs and theses) and internships, please review the Spring 2015 Add/Drop Registration FAQs http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/News-and-Announcements.cfm or visit the SIS Graduate Advising website. http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/index.cfm

**Spring 2015 Add/Drop, Express Advising and Registration FAQs**
Spring 2015 classes begin Monday, January 12 and the last day of the add/drop period (the last day to make changes to your program for a 100% refund) is Monday, January 26. Advisors are now holding Express Advising hours and will not resume appointments until after the add/drop period is over. For Express Advising schedules: http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/ For more information, students are recommended to review the Spring 2015 Add/Drop Registration FAQs. http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/upload/S15-Registration-FAQs.pdf

**Spring 2015 Graduate Language Audits - Updated Registration Process**
AU graduate students are permitted to audit foreign language courses taught at AU for a substantially discounted rate in order to support their development of research skills related to their chosen program of study. Audits earn no academic credit and may not be used as a substitute for the Tool of Research examination or to fulfill any degree requirement. Interested students should consult the language audit website for more information, including fees and updated registration instructions. Registrations require instructor permission, and registration requests will be accepted starting January 5, 2015.

**UPDATED SIS Summer 2015 Abroad Programs, including PRACTICA, Now Accepting Applications**
SIS’ abroad programs for summer 2015, INCLUDING SUMMER PRACTICA, have now been announced! The priority application deadline for most programs is Tuesday, February 24, so interested students are encouraged to get started on their applications before the semester gets busy. The deadline for summer practica applications will be Monday, February 16. For more information visit the SISAbroad website or http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/upload/Summer-2015-Programs-Announced.pdf

**Apply to Graduate for Spring 2015**
Students planning to complete all degree requirements in the Spring 2015 semester must apply to graduate via their myAU portal (under Academics – Apply to Graduate). We recommend that you complete the application as soon as possible (the application takes less than 5 minutes) so that your advisor can begin reviewing your graduation eligibility for spring.
Upcoming Events

NEW SIS Exploring Identities Series: SIS Community Dialogue - How to Create Greater Understanding Across Race and Ethnicity
Tuesday, January 20, 1:00-3:00pm, Abramson Family Founders Room
Join SIS for a community dialogue to discuss the implications of recent events in Ferguson, New York and other U.S. cities. This Dialogue will provide a safe space for open, honest conversation in a racially/ethnically diverse setting. Click here to RSVP. Learn more about this event and SIS’ other diversity initiatives at www.american.edu/sis/diversity

NEW Alumni in the Atrium: Stephen Ladek (International Solutions Group)
Tuesday, January 20, 4:00-5:00pm, SIS Atrium
Please join SIS Career advisors in conversation with Stephen Ladek, SIS/MA ’03, Principal, International Solutions Group. Students, alumni, faculty and staff are invited to join an informal discussion about his work and career path since SIS. No RSVP is necessary. Come ask questions, receive advice, and build your network. Join for just a few minutes or the entire hour.

NEW Alumni in the Atrium: Tom Pevehouse (Schafer Corporation)
Tuesday, January 27 4:00-5:00pm, SIS Atrium
Please join SIS Career advisors in conversation with Tom Pevehouse, SIS/MA ’11, Intelligence Analyst, Schafer Corporation. Students, alumni, faculty and staff are invited to join an informal discussion about her work and career path since SIS. No RSVP is necessary. Come ask questions, receive advice, and build your network. Join for just a few minutes or the entire hour.

FOR MORE SIS EVENTS:
http://www.american.edu/sis/events
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