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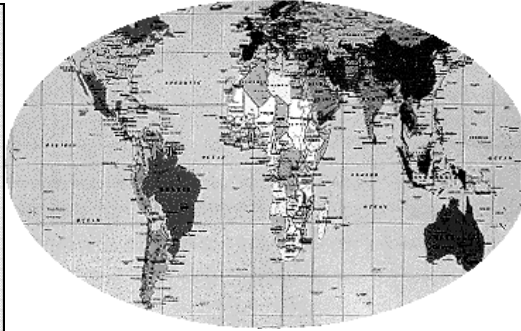
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IDPSA Friday Forum

For information on upcoming Friday Forums visit the International Development Program Student Association website at www.idpsa.org.



Website of Interest

<http://www.devex.com/>

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UPCOMING EVENTS

“When the Night Comes:” A Dramatic Documentary about Malaria: *Tuesday, March 2 at 7 PM*

American University, 4400 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20016, Ward Circle Building, Room 1

Join the United Nations Foundation, United Against Malaria, The One Campaign, Malaria and No More, and AU’s International Development Program for the premiere of “When the Night Comes,” a film by Bobby Bailey, Co-Founder Invisible Children, and a dynamic speaker and filmmaker. The film will be followed by a discussion with the producer. The film has been publicized on American Idol. Malaria kills nearly one million people per year.

“For Women’s Right to Live: Stop Femicide in Guatemala”: *Thursday, March 4th at 6:30 PM*

American University, 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016, Ward Circle Building, Room 1

Come to the Spring 2010 Speaker's Tour with Norma Cruz as she presents her lecture on Femicide in Guatemala. Norma Cruz will be in the U.S. for one week on a GHRC speaker's tour to address the issue of violence against women and femicide, impunity and the rule of law in Guatemala, and the necessary steps to ensure safety for Guatemalan women and girls. Norma Cruz is the founder and Director of the Survivor's Foundation in Guatemala City. Ms. Cruz is an internationally recognized advocate and activist for women who are victims of domestic and sexual violence, human trafficking, and illegal adoptions. She is one of eight women worldwide to receive the "Women of Courage" award from Secretary of State Hillary Clinton in March 2009. Her work was born out of her personal struggle and has grown to provide legal, psychosocial, physical and political support for women survivors in a country where violence against women is prevalent and tolerated. In her talk, Ms. Cruz will address: Violence against women in Guatemala; Impunity for perpetrators of crimes; Steps needed to ensure women’s right to live.

World Wildlife Fund’s “Kathryn Fuller Science for Nature Seminar Series”: *Thursday, March 11, 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM, World Wildlife Fund Headquarters, 1250 24th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037*

Dr. David Macdonald, Founding Director, Wildlife Conservation Research Unit, will discuss the conflicts surrounding human interactions with mammals, especially large carnivores. Whether it is a fox killing your chickens, or a lion killing your cow, this conflict raises biologically and ethically difficult issues for conservation. Drawing on his work on lions in Zimbabwe, jaguars in Brazil and tigers in Bhutan, amongst others, David Macdonald – founding Director of Oxford University’s Wildlife Conservation Research Unit – explores the complexities of human-wildlife conflict. He also draws parallels between bushmeat harvests in West Africa and conservation in the English landscape, in a wide-ranging talk that spans Ethiopian wolves to moths. **Abbreviated Biography:** David Macdonald is the Director of the Wildlife Conservation Research Unit (WildCRU) at Oxford University, which he founded in 1986. He is Oxford’s first Professor of Wildlife Conservation, holding a Senior Research Fellowship at Lady Margaret Hall. David Macdonald’s concept was, and remains, to undertake original research on aspects of fundamental biology relevant to solving practical problems of wildlife conservation and environmental management, and thus to underpin policy formation and public debate of the many issues that surround the conservation of wildlife and its habitats. From his early work on red foxes he retains a specialization in carnivores, with an increasing emphasis on felids. He has published over 300 papers in refereed international journals, and written or edited more than a dozen books, of which the most recent is Key Topics in Conservation Biology. The lecture will take place from 4:30 to 5:30 PM and will be followed by a reception.

Job/Internship Opportunities

More event information is available on the IDPSA List Serve

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JOB

Program Associate, Economic Development at the International Center for Research on Women

Description: The Program Associate will provide technical and administrative support to research activities within the Economic Development portfolio. Current projects include impact evaluations of interventions on women's economic empowerment, enterprise education and property rights.

Responsibilities: Supports project directors working on economic and related research in the following areas: Preparation of data collection tools for quantitative and qualitative data analysis; Checking, coding and cleaning data sets; Analysis of large data sets; Preparation of tables and figures for communication of research results; Liaison with research counterparts overseas; Conducting and organizing literature reviews and other secondary data searches. Contributes to the preparation of professional papers, research reports, presentations, articles and proposals. Assists in the coordination of project activities with local and international partners. Assists in general project management and administration, including working with project director to monitor budgets, develop project work plans and maintain files and information. Undertakes other tasks as assigned by the portfolio manager and project directors, based on team and institutional priorities.

Qualifications: Minimum of a Masters degree in economics or other social science. Minimum one year related experience in collection and analysis of survey data with a background in international development and gender issues. Experience in women's property rights, microfinance and other financial products, economic empowerment and/or monitoring and evaluation a plus. Familiarity with large data sets and statistical techniques. Proficiency in statistical software, preferably STATA. Proficiency also in the MS Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook) and Internet applications including online database applications (e.g., EconLit & JStor). Must possess strong skills in quantitative data management and analysis; reporting, writing and editing, and visual presentation of research findings. Must demonstrate maturity, resourcefulness and attention to detail, with the ability to work independently, organize, prioritize tasks and meet deadlines. Fluent reading and writing comprehension in French is required.

To Apply: Interested candidates should submit a cover letter indicating salary requirements and where you learned about this opportunity; a resume; and 1-2 brief writing samples as e-mail attachments to jobs@icrw.org. Please indicate "PA-Econ" in the subject line of the email. Screening of applicants will continue until the position is filled.

INTERNSHIP

Freedom House: Intern, Latin America Programs

Description: Freedom House is an independent non-governmental organization that supports the expansion of freedom in the world. Freedom House functions as a catalyst for freedom through its analysis, advocacy, and action. Freedom House seeks an intern for its Latin America programs. The position is based in Washington, DC.

Responsibilities: The intern position will include: researching and writing on topics related to democracy, human rights, new media & technology, social and political change; maintaining databases; tracking press releases; assisting with financial management responsibilities; and performing general administrative duties. Support program staff in administrative duties. Process financial reports and track expenditures; maintain databases. Attend events and prepare summaries. Fulfill research and writing assignments.

Qualifications: Bilingual (English/Spanish). Interest in civil liberties, technology, human rights, social and political change, and democracy in Latin America or in freedom-restricted societies; Excellent writing and research skills (English/Spanish). Detail-oriented, ability to prioritize assignments. Ability to follow instructions and take initiative. High level of dependability & confidentiality. A demonstrated interest in civil liberties, human rights, social and political change, and/or democracy transition issues in Latin America or in freedom-restricted societies; Enrolled at a four-year college or in a Master's Degree program and ability to commit at least 15 hours of in-office work per week.

To Apply: Please send cover letter, resume, and list of references to: Human Resources Recruiter, humanresources@freedomhouse.org 1301 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Floor 6 / Washington, DC, 20036, Fax: 202-293-2840. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Interested candidates must submit a cover letter, resume, and list of references. If any candidate does not have all required information, he or she will not be considered. Only candidates who have been selected for an interview will be notified.