

PEER to PEER

The College of Arts and Sciences Academic Student Newsletter

Meet Your 2010-2011 CAS Peer Advisors!

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Student FAQ of the Month:

Q: What kinds of questions can I see a peer advisor about?

A: The peer advising program is a wonderful resource for freshmen and undecided sophomores. The peers are here to help students navigate the general education program, university requirements, assist in the process of choosing a major, and many other common advising questions. The peer program is also unique in that peer advisors are fellow students who have seen it all! Peers are standing by to answer questions from a unique position of student and advisor!



We are excited to announce the expansion of the peer advising program here in CAS! We have added two new advisors to our ranks for a total of **four** peer advisors! Here is a little information on each of the peers:



York. She had the amazing opportunity to spend her junior year studying abroad in both Paris and Morocco.

Rachel studies Literature and French Language, and she is considering going to law school after graduation. She also works at the AU Library on campus.

Rachel advises first and second year students with the last names E-K, and hopes you will feel free to ask her any questions you might have!



Alex Rose-Henig is one of two returning peer advisors this year. He is very excited for another year working as a peer advisor!

Alex is a junior majoring in psychology, working on pre-medical requirements,



Lindsay Inge is from Westminster, Maryland. This is her first year as a peer advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences, advising first and second year students with the last names L-Q.

Lindsay is a sophomore majoring in history and she hopes to attend grad school after graduating from AU.

Lindsay loves working with other students, and is really excited to join the peer advising team!

Rachel Strohman is a new peer advisor this year. She is a senior from Ithaca, New

and he is originally from California. Alex is very excited to meet the new students, and is looking forward to seeing the returning students again.

Alex advises freshmen and undecided sophomores with the last names A-D, he hopes that you will come on by the advising office if you have questions!

Amber Tollefson is a senior Psychology major and Literature minor in the College of Arts and Sciences.



Amber is excited to begin her second year as a peer advisor in CAS. She plans to continue her work with university students after graduating from AU in the spring.

Amber advises first and second year students with last names beginning with the letters R-Z.

CAS Welcomes Two New Advisors to the Academic Advising Office

In addition to the two new peer advisors, CAS would also like to welcome two new **Academic Advisors**, Julie Carney-Jones and Andrea Malamisura!

Julie Carney-Jones is from right outside of Philadelphia in Landsdowne, PA. She attended Drexel for her undergrad and the University of Delaware for a M. Ed. in

Student Affairs Practice in Higher Education. Julie wants every student to take advantage of what DC has to offer and encourages everyone to do something that pushes them to explore outside their comfort zone.

Andrea Malamisura originally hails from Bluefield, West Virginia. She completed her undergraduate studies at

Virginia Tech and her graduate work in Counseling Psychology at Radford University. With an educational background in psychology and counseling, Andrea is excited to be working with students in the social sciences.

Check the advising website (listed below) for the breakdown of majors.



Event Spotlight: Artists' Reception at the AU Museum

Have you ever been to the **AU Museum** at the **Katzen Arts Center**? Did you even know it existed? Either way, you should come by **Saturday, September 11** for the **Early Fall 2010 Artists' Reception!**

The event runs from **6pm-9pm** and recognizes the achievements of current artists' exhibitions.

These artists include **BG Muhn**, whose exhibition *Love Affair of the Empress* showcases his "invented 'portraits' of mythical Chinese empresses." Muhn will

also be holding a **Gallery Talk** starting at **5pm** before the reception in the Museum where you can learn more about his work and the meaning behind it.

Other artists to be recognized at the reception include Luciano Peny, Alan Binstock, Norse Soul, and several American University Alumni. To learn more about the artists and their exhibitions, visit: www.american.edu/cas/museum.

Can't make it to the reception? The museum is open **Tuesday through Sunday** from **11am to 4pm** and admission is **free**.

Also, beginning this fall, you can apply for a museum membership! The student rate is only **\$15** and benefits include invitations to all openings and access to publications pertaining to events at the museum.



"You're in the Majors Now!" September 21st!

The "You're in the Majors Fair" is a fun **baseball-themed** exploration of all the majors and minors AU has to offer. Advisors from each school will be at the fair to answer questions and give students more information about majors and minors requirements.

Representatives from the Career Center will also be available to answer questions about various job opportunities and career paths are associated with different majors.

The fair is designed specifically for students who are unsure of what to major in, those that want to explore a second major,

or those interested in adding a minor. But any student with questions is welcome to attend!

Those who attend the event will be entered into a raffle for a **\$50 Whole Foods gift card** among other exciting prizes.

The "You're in the Majors Fair" will take place on **Tuesday, September 21st, 1:00-4:00pm** in the Letts-Anderson Quad. Hope to see you there!

For more information please contact Katie Young at: kyoung@american.edu.



Important Reminders:

- **9/11:** AU Museum new exhibits reception and museum membership launch 6-9pm, Katzen Museum.
- **9/13:** Last day to add an internship for credit.
- **9/15:** Student Activities Involvement Fair 11:30am-2:30pm, Quad.
- **9/15:** Honors 101 Reception 3:30-5 pm, Battelle Atrium. This event is limited to individuals participating in the Honors program.
- **9/21:** "Your in the Majors Now!" Event 1-4pm, Letts/Anderson Quad.
- **9/7-10/15:** Schedule an appointment to meet with your peer advisor for a Freshmen Interview.

Come on by the "You're in the Majors" Fair 9/21 in the Letts-Anderson quad for information about AU's majors, minors, and some great baseball swag!