

PENNONI HONORS COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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"Media, Campaigns, and Elections" Travel-Integrated Course

The Pennoni Honors College and the Center for Interdisciplinary Inquiry announce an exciting opportunity for students to take part in an immersive Travel-Integrated Course to Washington, DC (Sunday, 6/17/12 through Thursday, 6/21/12). The purpose of the course is to examine—firsthand—the relationship between the media and political campaigns. This year's upcoming Presidential election offers fertile ground to understand how the media covers campaigns and shapes the outcomes of elections—and, conversely, how campaign strategies grapple with media coverage.



In addition to a Summer Term 2012 2.0-credit course component, this Travel-Integrated experience will include two pre-trip orientation meetings, which will be scheduled after students are selected for the course. Participating students will be expected to work collaboratively on a final project to catalogue their experience, and demonstrate the learning outcomes for the course.

Each selected student will be expected to pay \$230 (along with any standard tuition costs) for the travel component of this course. This will cover lodging (which includes breakfasts), round-trip travel via Amtrak, unlimited Metro fare, and entrance to the Newseum. Students will be responsible for lunches and dinners, as well as any incidentals.

To apply, submit to the Honors Main Office (5016 MacAlister) a 250-300-word essay stating why you're interested in this trip, how it connects to your major, and a brief idea for a final project (include your University ID#, e-mail address, and phone number in the essay header). All applicants must submit a \$50 cash or check deposit payable to the Pennoni Honors College (the deposit only will be refunded to students not selected for the trip). The

honors College (the deposit only will be refunded to students not selected for the trip). **The updated deadline to apply is Tuesday, 5/1/12.**

For additional information, [e-mail Kevin Egan](mailto:Kevin.Egan@drexel.edu).

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Upcoming Fellowships Workshops

"First Steps to Fulbright" Workshop

On Wednesday, 5/9/12, 6 to 7 p.m, L-33 Hagerty Library (33rd and Market Sts.), come hear about Fulbright Study/Research grants from two Drexel University students who currently are finalists for the program. Also, gain insight from the knowledgeable staff of the Drexel Fellowships Office, whose services and resources are available to all Drexel students.



During this workshop, review the basics of the Fulbright student program and consider a range of projects pursued by other students with the support of a Fulbright grant. Participants will leave the workshop with one or two initial ideas of what they may propose to do with a Fulbright grant.

This is a repeating event. For additional dates and more information, [visit the Drexel Fellowships Office online](#). You also may [visit Fulbright online](#).

"Understanding the Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (ETA)" Workshop

On Thursday, 5/3/12, 12 to 1 p.m, 226 Creese (3210 Chestnut St.), learn more about teaching English abroad. As a Fulbright ETA, participants typically work alongside a teacher in an English classroom; planning various activities to improve students' language abilities and knowledge of the United States. The Fulbright ETA is available in over 65 countries.

For more information, [visit the Drexel Fellowships Office online](#). You also may [visit Fulbright online](#).

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PHC Work/Study Opportunities

Come be a part of the best Work/Study opportunity at Drexel University! **The Pennoni Honors College (PHC) currently seeks interested students for several available Work/Study positions in the Dean's Suite.**

- *Must be mature, self-motivated, dependable, detail-oriented, communicative, and amicable.*
- *Must be approved for Work/Study funds through the Office of Financial Aid.*
- *Sophomore, Pre-Junior, and Junior students preferred.*
- *Students available peak lunchtime hours preferred.*

Interested candidates may visit the Honors Office in person, or e-



[mail Brian Kantorek, Administrative Coordinator](#), with a letter/message of interest and most current resume or summary of work experience.

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Honors Program

Become an HSAC Leader

Want to get more involved with the Honors Program? Join the Honors Student Advisory Committee (HSAC)! HSAC is open to any Honors student interested in planning social events, community service projects, and more.



HSAC leadership positions currently are open for the 2012-2013 academic year. Serve as a student leader to plan events for the Honors Program, build leadership skills, and make your voice heard. *Several positions are available.*

To apply, visit the Pennoni Honors College Main Office (5016 MacAlister) or [e-mail HSAC](#) for an application. Applications are due by Friday, 5/4/12, and should be returned to the Honors Main Office (5016 MacAlister) or to either office location for Carly Day, Honors Program Manager (Honors Lounge, 5051-B/C MacAlister or 105 Millennium).

For more information about events and meetings, [visit HSAC online](#). For additional questions and details, [e-mail HSAC](#).

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Lindy Center for Civic Engagement

2012 Local Service Immersion Opportunity

The Lindy Center for Civic Engagement currently is recruiting students for its 2012 Local Service Immersion, occurring from Saturday, 6/16/12 through Friday, 6/22/12 (during the break between Spring and Summer Term 2012).



This year, participants will work with the Urban Tree Connection on a farm in West Philadelphia, while exploring the intersection among urban agriculture, sustainability, and food justice.

Students can earn 1.0 or 3.0 academic credits for participation. There is a \$200 participation fee; although this may be subsidized via group fundraising efforts. Accommodations will be provided for all participants at nearby St. Joseph University, including all meals and transportation.

The application deadline is Monday, 4/30/12. For more information, [e-mail Jennifer Johnson Kebea](#).

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Lindy Center for Civic Engagement

Community Service Opportunity

Are you interested in the perfect opportunity to get involved with community service? The Lindy Center for Civic Engagement and the Drexel Community Scholars are looking for people to volunteer at St. Columba's—a nearby



safe-haven residence of Project H.O.M.E. for chronically homeless, mentally-ill men. The site offers a small-scale environment for the most vulnerable homeless population; many of whom are older, physically frail, and unable or unwilling to negotiate at the larger shelters (due to untreated mental-health issues, sometimes combined with active drug and alcohol use and/or poor physical health).

Volunteers are most needed on Fridays, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and can meet at the Mario the Dragon statue (33rd and Market Sts.) at 10:30 a.m. each week. From there, a small group will travel together to St. Columba's at 4133 Chestnut St. (the free Drexel University Shuttle Blue and Gold Route drops off right at the corner of 41st and Chestnut Sts.).

All members of the Drexel community are welcome to get involved! Volunteers mostly aid in meal preparation; but this experience certainly can extend to interaction with residents, depending on comfort level.

For more information—[send an e-mail](#) or call 646-369-2074.

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Vocal Jazz Ensemble Plays the Hits

On Friday, 4/27/12 and Saturday, 4/28/12, 8 p.m. in the Sky View Room on the 6th Floor of MacAlister Hall (33rd and Chestnut Sts.), Drexel's Vocal Jazz Ensemble—Naturally Sharp—will present an evening of big-band standards and classic jazz favorites for the 6th Annual Coffee and Jazz Concert.



With a backdrop of the sun setting over Philadelphia, Naturally Sharp will unite with a three-piece band to present classics by the likes of Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, and Louis Prima—all while audience members enjoy complimentary coffee and pastries.

Admission to this exclusive event is only \$7. For more information, [e-mail Tom Bonner](#) or call 215-895-ARTS.

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Drexel Smart House Seed Fund

Have an innovative idea? Need funding? Drexel Smart House can help! **Through the Student Seed Fund micro-grant program, students can obtain up to \$2,500 for individual or group projects.**

Funding is available for early-stage research and development of prototypes or models, with the ultimate goal of launching strong research and development ripe for commercialization and technology transfer activities. In addition, selected students will receive mentorship from Baiada Center Mentors, legal professionals, faculty, and industry professionals wherever applicable.



The deadline for applications is Sunday, 4/29/12. For more information, [visit Drexel Smart House online](#) or [send an e-mail](#).

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Renowned Neuroscientist Delivers Distinguished Lecture

On Wednesday, 5/2/12, 6 p.m. in the Main Building Auditorium (3141 Chestnut St.), David Eagleman—renowned neuroscientist and bestselling author of *Incognito: The Secret Lives of the Brain*—will deliver the 2nd Annual College of Arts & Sciences (CoAS) Distinguished Lecture.



Eagleman is a regular contributing writer for *The New York Times*, *Wired*, *Scientific American*, *MIT Technology Review*, *Scientific*

Wired, *Discover*, *Slate*, and *New Scientist*, and is often featured on National Public Radio for matters related to science and literature. His previous authored works include, *Wednesday Is Indigo Blue*, *Discover*, and *Why the Net Matters*. Eagleman holds joint appointments in the Department of Neuroscience and Psychiatry at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX, and is the founder of the Initiative on Neuroscience and Law.



The Distinguished Lecture is FREE—but tickets are required for admission. A limit of two tickets per person now are available for pick-up in the CoAS Dean's Office (4020 MacAlister).

For more information regarding the event, [e-mail Jennifer Yusin](#) or [visit the CoAS Distinguished Lecture Series online](#).

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Urinetown: The Musical at Madell Theater

The Drexel Players proudly present *Urinetown: The Musical at Mandell Theater (33rd and Chestnut Sts.)* throughout early May 2012. Inspired by the work of Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill, this popular off-Broadway hit is a hilarious, satirical tale of greed, corruption, love, and revolution in a time when water is worth its weight in gold.



In a Gotham-like city, a terrible water shortage caused by a 20-year drought has led to a government-enforced ban on private toilets. Citizens must use public amenities, regulated by a single malevolent company that profits by charging admission for one of humanity's most basic needs. Amid the people, a hero decides he's had enough, and plans a revolution to lead them all to freedom. Praised for reinvigorating the very notion of what a musical could be, *Urinetown* produces gales of unbridled laughter with its outrageous perspective and wickedly modern wit.

The performance schedule is as follows:

- **Friday, 5/4/12, 8 p.m.**
- **Saturday, 5/5/12, 8 p.m.**
- **Sunday, 5/6/12, 2 p.m.**
- **Thursday, 5/10/12, 8 p.m.**
- **Friday, 5/11/12, 8 p.m.**
- **Saturday, 5/12/12, 8 p.m.**
- **Sunday, 5/13/12, 2 p.m.**

Tickets are \$5 for Drexel University students, faculty, and staff, and \$15 for general admission. For more information, [visit the Drexel Players online](#) or call (215) 895-ARTS.

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Fellowships and Scholarship Information

Interested in fellowship opportunities? As you may know, fellowships are nationally and internationally prestigious scholarship programs that help you get the education and experience you need to pursue your professional goals. These awards can support undergraduate or graduate study and research or work experiences here or abroad. **The Drexel Fellowships Office helps students to navigate the application process for these opportunities through early-stage education and advice, as well as essay-writing support and feedback.**



For additional information on upcoming deadlines, events, help with an application, and general advising, [visit the Fellowships Office online](#) or [send an e-mail](#).

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Honors Lost and Found

The Lost and Found at the Pennoni Honors College (PHC) Main Office Front Desk occasionally acquires items left behind in the Honors Office, Lounge, and Seminar Room.

If ever in doubt about something you've misplaced, make sure to first check at the PHC Main Office Front Desk (5016 MacAlister).

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Pennoni Honors College Newsletter Submission Guidelines

The Pennoni Honors College would like to hear about upcoming events in your department or organization. **Please note that all articles to be considered for publication in the standard Tuesday edition of the Pennoni Honors College Newsletter must be submitted to honorscollege@drexel.edu no later than 5 p.m. on Friday of the previous week.** Submissions received after this point will be held for a future edition.

Please include all details relevant to your announcement (e.g., event location, date/time, contact person or office, available website information, etc.), and limit submission summaries to a maximum of five sentences. E-mail attachments such as flyers, graphics, or posters will be included with the Pennoni Honors College Newsletter, wherever possible.

It is the responsibility of the submitter to ensure the accuracy of the submission. Please keep in mind that missing information will result in distribution delays. *For additional information, contact honorscollege@drexel.edu.*

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This latest edition of the Pennoni Honors College Newsletter—along with an archives of past editions of the Newsletter—is now available [online](#). Catch up with the *Newsletter* online from any place and at any time!

Please note that each week's edition of the *Pennoni Honors College Newsletter* also will be delivered via e-mail to Honors ListServ subscribers.

If you have graduated and would like to be removed from this list, please send your full name, University ID, and e-mail address(es) to: honorscollege@drexel.edu.

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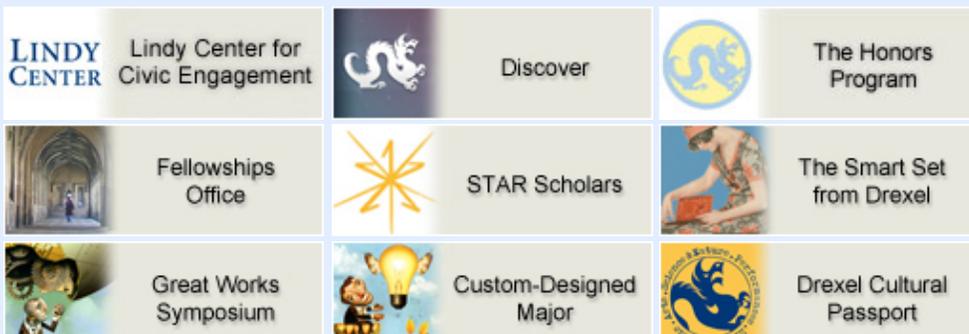
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