

UMKC HONORS PROGRAM

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 30, 2006

*Don't forget to read *The King of Kings County* by Whitney Terrell and registration begins today for next semester

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I. Wednesday, November 1, 2006, Noon – 1 p.m. in AC Plaza Conference Room

RSVP SEARCH@umkc.edu by 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30. Please include your major or research field of interest with your RSVP.

Have you considered the benefits of participating in undergraduate research? Want to get started on a project, but not sure how?

The SEARCH brainstorming session is a great opportunity to discuss ideas, get your questions answered and pick up practical tips on how to develop your own research project.

In small groups, you will:

Discover what research means in your field of study

Discuss how to turn your ideas into a research project

Get answers to questions like:

How do I develop a proposal?

How do I determine a budget?

What happens if the project doesn't work?

Find out where to get help with your research (Hint: bring your proposal idea to our upcoming library workshop and meet with a research librarian!)

Talk to fellow students and learn what they are doing

Enjoy bagels

II. On November 15, 2006 at 7 pm, in Royall 111 there will be a presentation entitled: Sexual Predators: How the Laws Have Changed
Gene and Peggy Schmidt are speaking from the National Organization, Speak Out for Stephanie. If you have any questions contact Ania Wlodek at aowwv5@umkc.edu or visit the organization's website at <http://www.sos.lawrence.com/>

III. Help discuss the possible topics and structure of Colloquium next semester by joining the Honors Student Advisory Committee. The next HSAC meeting is this Friday November 3rd at Noon in the Honors House. Please send Sally Conrad (conrads@umkc.edu) your Planet Sub order before noon Monday, the 23rd. Find the menu online at <http://www.planetsub.com/menu.jsp?locID=>

IV. Join the *Lucerna* team and help plan the next issue. There will be two meetings on October 30, one at 9:00 and the other at 2:30 in the Honors House. Refreshments will be provided.

V. Here are the reference numbers for Colloquium, WS07. If you are enrolled for Honors 101 now, you should sign up for Honors 102, etc. Colloquium will be in the same room, at the same time as this semester (Cockefair 106, W 3-3:50).

Honors 101
Honors 102
Honors 201
Honors 202
Honors 301
Honors 302
Honors 401
Honors 402

VI. This coming Winter/Spring Semester Honors students have the opportunity to take an Honors section of Political Science 210. This is a general education requirement for every student in the School of Arts and Sciences and a good opportunity to get honors credit. Poli Sci. H210 with Prof. Neuman will be TR 9:30-10:45 in 212 Haag Hall. The reference number is unpublished, it is xxx. Please contact Dr. Levy with questions (levy@umkc.edu)

VII. . The French discussion group will be meeting on Monday from 3-4:00 in Royall Hall 203 if you have any question please contact Ania Wlodek at aowwv5@umkc.edu.

VIII. Please attend the [Honors Sweden, Summer 2007](#) Information Session and learn all about this summer's program!

We will meet next **Wednesday, November 1st at Noon** at the Center for International Academic Programs (CIAP) at 5325 Rockhill, we are one of the UMKC houses right on Rockhill Road. Feel free to bring a brown bag lunch. Parking is usually available on 53rd or 54th streets or the student lot at 53rd and Rockhill.

This four-week program is located in a beautiful region of lakes and surrounded by fields and forests; no Swedish city has a history as long as that of Uppsala. The might of Sweden during the 17th century will be seen during excursions to Uppsala Castle where breathtaking views of the city can be enjoyed. We will also travel by boat down the Fyris River to the impressive Skokloster Castle, and by train to Stockholm – a journey of only 45 minutes – to experience the Vasa Museum, the Royal Palace, the Nordic Museum of History, and too many other places to mention. This program's six-unit interdisciplinary course explores the interplay of history, nature, and culture in Sweden from the 18th century to the present.

We hope you can join us to discuss the program. You will receive specific program information about fees, travel, credit, accommodations and steps on how to make this a reality! You will meet involved faculty members, talk to former student participants and get all of your questions answered.

See you Wednesday!

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IX. Mentor a 7th-grade girl and get 3 hours credit! By participating in the FUEL (Females Understanding Empowerment & Leadership) Mentoring Program, college women will receive 3 hours of 400-level credit for mentoring a middle school girl. College mentors will enroll in a "lecture" course, which meets 1-1:50 on Mondays, and a lab course, which will consist of group mentoring sessions and a one-on-one lunch that fits in with their schedules. To apply or for questions, please contact Jane Webb at jmw5d6@umkc.edu or 816.235.6423. **Apply soon -- there are only a few spots left!**

X. The City Internship Program is now taking applications for winter semester 2007 (deadline: December 1). This program allows UMKC students to work at City Hall on projects meaningful to their areas of study; gain a unique perspective on civic issues; and network for job opportunities, while serving the home city of their university. Selection is based on a combination of interview skills, grade point average, personal statements, references and skills. These volunteer positions range from 10-20 hours a week during the semester. Please note: All upper class, graduate, and professional school students are eligible to apply. Internship job descriptions encompass nearly all disciplines.

Students are encouraged to earn credit for their internship, after first consulting with their academic advisor or internship coordinator. Scholarships are available for a maximum of three hours' tuition at the resident rate.

For full information about these internships (including a complete listing of internship job descriptions by department), visit: www.kcmo.org/manager.nsf/web/cityinterns

For internship and scholarship application forms, visit: www.centerforthecity.umkc.edu . Click on "Student information", then on "Internship Opportunities". If there are other questions, please contact me via e-mail or phone (below).

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XI. Anyone who wants to volunteer at University Academy (a local charter school, K-12) by tutoring or helping with the upcoming canned food drive on November 4th and November 10th at 10am. It's going to be in the 49/63 and Oak Myer neighborhoods. We really need people to volunteer, especially ones with cars!! If you have any questions please contact Hannah Lofthus (hllmb7@umkc.edu).

Very Truly Yours,

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