Tip of the Quarter

Summer is around the corner. Make the most of your time by working or doing an internship during the summer. Office work experience is great and many employers value customer service, multi-tasking, and teamwork skills. Plan ahead by utilizing various search strategies to find a summer job or internship.

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In 2013, forty-four percent of UCSD graduating seniors, secured their first jobs out of college by converting their internship or previous job experience into a permanent career position. An internship will add experience to your resume and could lead to a great career. There is no better way to decide what career you want to pursue than by testing it out.

International Studies Course Offerings

Summer 2014


HIEU 153. Sun, Sea, Sand & Sex: Tourists and Tourism in the Contemporary World

Both courses have been pre-approved to count towards INTL 190 by petition. For IS major students, this course will have the same required format as INTL 190 with course emphasis on independent work and completion of a 20-25 page research paper.

Questions? Please email isp@ucsd.edu

Tentative Schedule for 2014-2015

To see updated course offerings and course descriptions, please visit isp.ucsd.edu
Congratulations to our 2014 ISP Honors Students

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Student Spotlight

Our very own ISP students were awarded the UCSD Chicano/a Alumni Community Service 2014 Award. They were honored at the César E. Chávez Kickoff Lunch Celebration for furthering César Chávez’s ideals in their communities.

Jehoan Espinoza has a solid record of engaging and contributing to his community. He worked for the OASIS Summer Bridge Program as a facilitator for the Contemporary Issues course. He is a member of Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano/a de Aztlan (MEChA) – a political student organization at UCSD. He has held leadership roles as MEChA’s VP External (2012-2013) and sat on the National MEChA Coordinating Council. Currently, he is the Campus Wide Senator for UCSD’s Associated Students and also works as a Program Assistant at the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs. Jehoan will be graduating in 2015 with a degree in International Studies-Political Science.

Elizabeth Flores-Arroyo is the second in her family to attend a four-year university. She gives back to her community by bringing awareness and addressing the importance of higher-education to first generation students. She was a mentor for the Triton Community Leadership Institute, a transfer orientation leader and assistant for Muir College, and a resource advisor for the SPACES Summer Overnight Summit. Elizabeth will be graduating in 2015 with a degree in International Studies-Political Science and a minor in Chicano/a - Latino/a Arts and Humanities.

Opportunities

Bachelor/Master (BA/MIA)
A 5-year (3-year for transfer students) joint degree program with ISP and IR/PS

Study Abroad

UCSD offers several ways for students to study abroad: Education Abroad Program (EAP), Opportunities Abroad Program (OAP), and the Global Seminar. Students may study abroad while earning academic credit.

Academic Internship Programs
Explore career options by interning! Opportunities are available to intern locally in San Diego (AIP) or at the national or state capital (UCDC & UCCS, respectively) all while earning academic credit.

ISP Internship and Job Postings
Internationally focused internship and job postings

Careers in Communication Mixer
Open to all students who have an interest in law, sales, broadcasting, marketing, & PR
May 14th, 5pm-7pm

Rising Leaders Program
Internship program designed to bring together top employers with bright undergraduate students

Vistage International, Inc.
Summer internship opportunity for undergraduates - seeking candidates with basic Excel, internet experience, and typing skills

Taster Tuesday Presents
“Passport to Culture”
Join the weekly conversation to hear current students talk about life in their home country or state. Enjoy a traditional taste of food from the highlighted region each week! Tuesdays at Student Services Center, Room 260
Firas Ayyad, BA/MIA '14, talks about his IR/PS class trip to Cuba.

Last quarter, I had the opportunity to travel to Cuba—a trip organized by Professor Richard Feinberg. It included meetings with high-level Cuban, Brazilian, and American diplomats; tours of the city and historic sites; trips to famous beaches; and delicious dinners and nights out around Havana's renowned salsa clubs.

Prior to my arrival, I did not know what to expect. Not many people get the chance to visit Cuba, so most of the information comes from books and news reports. Overall, the rhetoric had a slightly negative undertone. Cuba is actually a beautiful country—quite a scene. In general, the Cuban people are quite happy, and they are hopeful for the future as the government is allowing more private businesses to operate, which is improving the economic conditions overall.

I truly enjoyed my ten days in Cuba and will certainly go back if given the chance. The most memorable part was the unforgettable dinner and performance by the original members of the Buena Vista Social Club—we ate and danced the entire night. I highly recommend the course by Prof. Feinberg, and I encourage everyone to take advantage of the opportunity to travel to Cuba.
ISP Alumni Club, a recap on our first Alumni Kick-Off Night.

The ISP Alumni Club had our first Alumni Kick-Off night on March 7th at Eureka, UTC. We had alumni from ISP’s first cohort, class of ‘04, to class of ‘12.

For more information about the ISP Alumni Club, contact Mary Jo Ball, mjball@ucsd.edu

Upcoming events, we will be joining the fun with UCSD’s Alumni Weekend in June.

**Night at the Padres:** June 6th, PETCO Park
The Triton Family is having an exclusive pre-game reception atop the historic Western Metal Building

**Triton 5K:** June 7th, UC San Diego
Join the ISP team!

Alumni Spotlight: Thetan Noel Nguyen, International Studies-Economics ’10

I am a Quality Engineer at Lytx, Inc., in San Diego. Our flagship product, DriveCam, powered by LytxTM, helps companies advance the safety and efficiency of their drivers. My day-to-day responsibilities include managing the quality and business relationships with our outsourcing partners in various global locations including the Philippines, India, and Malaysia.

During my undergraduate years, I had no real conviction or path in my mind of where I was going to take the IS degree. I only knew that I wanted to work abroad in China. Even up until the day I turned in my INTL capstone paper, I was unsure of my next steps and was frightened about the prospects. For me, I stumbled upon my first job, the company I currently work at, through a Craigslist ad. From there, I worked my way into process management and eventually got certified for the Six Sigma Green Belt at UCSD Extensions.

To those who are majoring in IS and feel uncertain about the careers out there, the best advice I have for you is to travel, volunteer in international programs, and do whatever it is you can to expose yourself to the international arena. Take full advantage of every connection you build along the way and every experience you gain. The journey you take may lead you to your future career. Whether it is a long or short journey of test and trials, you will get there – don’t give up.

Words from ISP Faculty

“It’s not too early to start thinking about service to others, the most rewarding work of all. Graduates can usually find service work right out of school that can help them pay off loans, keep food on the table, and develop the skills necessary to further their careers. When you do well for yourself, by doing good for others, you are on the path to a rich and fulfilling life.” – J. Lawrence Broz, Associate Professor, Political Science

“Seek out and work with people who are great in every sense of the word. Life is much more collaborative than you think.” – Paul Niehaus, Assistant Professor, Economics

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