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October 29, 2007

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1) Lambda Alliance Meeting

Monday, October 29

5:30 p.m.

124 Memorial Hall

2) Rainbow Chat Groups

Rainbow Chat is an opportunity for students to talk in an open and supportive environment about issues impacting their lives and the LGBT community. Students can use these groups to discuss topics ranging from coming out to spirituality. All Rainbow Chat groups meet in the LGBT Resource Center. The groups include:

Coming Out Chat-Thursdays-5:30 p.m.

Gender Focused Chat-Wednesdays-7:00 p.m.

Men's Chat-Tuesdays-5:30 p.m.

Students of Color Chat-Wednesdays-5:30 p.m.

Women's Chat-Tuesdays-7:00 p.m.

Visit www.uga.edu/lgbtcenter/rainbowchat.html

3) Institute for Women's Studies Friday Speaker Series: Straight Talk: Ellen, Rosie and Daytime TV

Friday, November 2

12:20-1:10 p.m.

148 Student Learning Center

Peach Pittenger, Franklin Fellow in Theatre and Film Studies, will give a talk, "Straight Talk: Ellen, Rosie and Daytime TV," on Friday, Nov. 2 from 12:20-1:10pm in the Student Learning Center room 148.

4) Lecture: "Perilous Chastity: Women and Illness in Seventeenth-Century Art"

The Association of Graduate Art Students presents...

Laurinda S. Dixon

Lecture: November 1st, 2007, 5:30 PM

Georgia Museum of Art

Laurinda Dixon examines images of the female sickroom, newly popular in Dutch seventeenth-century painting, in the light of medical history. She suggests how the assumptions of a predominantly male medical establishment influenced prevailing notions of women's social place. She traces the evolution of the belief that women's illness were caused by "hysteria," so named after the notion that the uterus wandered in the body. All women were considered prone to this condition--strong emotions, idleness, intellectual activity, or unladylike pursuits could cause it—but it was most commonly diagnosed among celibates. Analyzing paintings of ailing women by Jan Steen, Gabriel Metsu, Jacob Ochtervelt, and others, Laurinda Dixon identifies metaphoric references to the womb as the source of illness. She suggests that ancient medical theories are the source of some assumptions about the roles and capabilities of women today.

5) Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice and the Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice

I'm pleased to announce that we are accepting applications for the Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice and the Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice. The application deadline for both fellowships is January 15, 2008.

The Wellstone Fellowship

The Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice aims to advance social justice through health care advocacy by focusing particularly on the unique challenges facing communities of color. Through this fellowship, established to honor the memory of the late Senator Paul D. Wellstone, we hope to expand the pool of talented social justice advocates from underrepresented racial and ethnic minority groups. The ideal candidate must demonstrate an interest in health care policy and racial/ethnic health disparities. Additionally, we are looking for an individual who displays the potential to contribute to social justice work after their year of hands-on experience as a fellow. You can find more information, including a downloadable application form, on our Web site: <http://www.familiesusa.org/about/wellstone-fellowship.html> If you have any questions about the Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice or would like to request hard copies of the application brochure, please contact me at wellstonefellowship@familiesusa.org.

The Villers Fellowship

The Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice was created in 2005 by Philippe Villers, Founder and President of Families USA. Villers Fellows work in our health policy

department and assist our organization's efforts to improve access to health coverage for all Americans, especially for low-income and other vulnerable communities. Specifically, Villers Fellows will conduct research on a range of health care policy issues, and write and contribute to publications that are relevant to current health policy debates. In creating the fellowship, Mr. Villers aspired to develop a network of young leaders who share a passion for health care justice. The ideal candidate will demonstrate a commitment to health care justice work following their year as a fellow. Additionally, in order to encourage the development of future leaders, Villers Fellows must commit to mentoring at least one person over the course of their careers. You can find more information, including a downloadable application form, on our Web site: <http://www.familiesusa.org/about/the-villers-fellowship.html>

If you have any questions about the Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice or would like to request hard copies of the application brochure, please contact me at villersfellowship@familiesusa.org.

Both fellowships are year-long, full-time, salaried positions at our office in Washington, DC. Each year, one candidate will be selected for each fellowship.

6) 2008 Orientation Leader General Information Meeting

October 30, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. – Student Learning Center (SLC) Room 148

The general information meeting for Orientation Leader applicants and prospective applicants will allow students to find about the experience, qualifications, important dates, responsibilities and more. It is not mandatory but is a great way for students to find out more information and speak directly to last year's Orientation team. The 2008 Orientation Leader application is online now and has a deadline of November 5th. The application is online here: <http://www.admissions.uga.edu/orientation/leader.html>.

Should you have any questions, please contact Milly Legra, Senior Assistant Director of Admissions-Outreach at (706)583-8252 or mlegra@uga.edu.

7) NAACP General Body and Town Hall Meeting

October 30, 2007 from 6:00pm-7:00pm - Adinkra Hall, Memorial (4th Floor)

Join the NAACP as we continue the fight. Pat Allen, Director of Community Relations at UGA will join us as we continue the talk about downtown discrimination. The Consumer Bill of Rights will also be reviewed. For more information, email naacp@uga.edu or join the Facebook event at <http://uga.facebook.com/event.php?eid=5639233263&ref=mf>

8) National Academy of Education 2008-2009 Postdoctoral Fellowship

Deadline to apply is November 9, 2007

The National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program supports early career scholars working in critical areas of education research. Fellows will receive \$55,000 for one academic year of research or \$27,500/year for two years working half-time. Fellows participate in professional development retreats with Academy members and other preeminent leaders in the field. Applicants from all disciplines encouraged, provided research project relates to education. For the 2008 application and guidelines, please visit www.naeducation.org.

9) "Creating a Center for the Study of Equity & Diversity: Overcoming the Challenges"

November 12, 2007 from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. - G-23 Aderhold Hall

Jenny Penney Oliver, Janette Hill, Bob Fecho & Tal Guy, *College of Education*
 How do you create a center for diversity? What components and circumstances need to be in place to support the creation of a center for diversity? Who benefits? The panelist will share how a national conference on the *Intersection of Diversity and Learning*, site visits to other university diversity centers, and national leaders on diversity are informing this vision at UGA. Participants will be invited into the discussion about what “we” can do to make this a reality at UGA.

10) New Feminist Graduate Course

A new feminist graduate course is being offered this Spring in the English Department! ENGL 6850: Ethnic American Literature and Spirituality; Instructor: Dr. Romero
 This course examines the representations of religion and spirituality in contemporary literature written by African Americans, American Indians, Latino/as, and Asian Americans. We will begin by defining the term “magical realism” and examining whether it relates to ethnic American literature. We will then discuss the way this literature wrestles with the collusion of institutional religion and colonialism in the Americas. Finally, we will explore the definition of spirituality that arises in ethnic literature and its relationship to social change. This course will interrogate the following issues: representation of ethnic communities and ideologies, the relationship between religious conversion and colonialism, feminist/womanist theologies, and the connections among literature, history, and politics. We will pay careful attention to the ways in which discourses of race, class, gender, sexuality, and nation intersect in this literature. Writers may include: Alejo Carpentier, Toni Morrison, Maxine Hong Kingston, Cristina Garcia, Randall Keenan, Louise Erdrich, LeAnne Howe, Charles Johnson, and Ana Castillo. The class will meet Tuesdays from 2:00p.m.-4:45p.m. To register for the course, please contact Melanie Childers, English Graduate Administrative Coordinator, 258 Park Hall, 706-542-2197.

11) Washington Semester Program

Fall 2008 Priority Deadline - February 15, 2008

Each fall and spring semester, up to twenty University of Georgia students have the unique opportunity to live, work and study in Washington, DC through the Washington Semester Program. The program is open to undergraduate students in all colleges and schools at UGA.

As a student in the Washington Semester Program, you will:

Earn at least twelve hours of academic credit

Work approximately 30 hours per week in an internship designated by the program

Live with other program students in the nation’s capital

Connect with leaders in public policy, government and business

Experience the art and culture of one of the world's great cities

For more information, please visit <http://www.uga.edu/dcsemester/> or contact Don DeMaria, Director at 706-542-3450 or dcsem@uga.edu.

12) True Colors Conference

True Colors hosts the largest and most comprehensive gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning, intersex and ally youth issues conference in the country! True Colors XV will be held on Friday, March 14th & Saturday, March 15th, 2008 at the University of Connecticut in Storrs. In addition, we are hosting a professional pre-

conference Institute on Thursday, March 13th for clinical and mental health, child welfare, health care and substance abuse prevention providers. I am writing to invite you to share your expertise on sexual and gender minority youth and families with other participants from across the Northeast and Nationally. Workshops are organized around various target audiences. A List of suggested workshop topics in each area is available on the website at www.ourTrueColors.org

13) THE EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DIVERSITY IN ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITIES AND NATIONS

University of Montreal, Quebec, Canada, 17-20 June 2008

<http://www.Diversity-Conference.com>

The Diversity Conference has a history of bringing together scholarly, government and practice-based participants with an interest in the issues of diversity and community. The Conference examines the concept of diversity as a positive aspect of a global world and globalized society. Diversity is in many ways reflective of our present world order, but there are ways of taking this further without necessarily engendering its alternatives: racism, conflict, discrimination and inequity. Diversity as a mode of social existence can be projected in ways that deepen the range of human experience. The Conference will seek to explore the full range of what diversity means and explore modes of diversity in real-life situations of living together in community. The Conference supports a move away from simple affirmations that 'diversity is good' to a much more nuanced account of the effects and uses of diversity on differently situated communities in the context of our current epoch of globalization. As well as impressive line-up of international main speakers, the Conference will also include numerous paper, workshop and colloquium presentations by practitioners, teachers and researchers. We would particularly like to invite you to respond to the Conference Call-for-Papers. Presenters may choose to submit written papers for publication in the fully refereed International Journal of Diversity in Organizations, Communities and Nations. If you are unable to attend the Conference in person, virtual registrations are also available which allow you to submit a paper for refereeing and possible publication in this fully refereed academic Journal, as well as access to the electronic version of the Journal. The deadline for the next round in the call for papers (a title and short abstract) is 8 November 2007. Proposals are reviewed within four weeks of submission. Full details of the Conference, including an online proposal submission form, are to be found at the Conference website - <http://www.Diversity-Conference.com>

14) International Coffee Hour

Every Friday

Memorial Hall Ballroom

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Join students, faculty, and staff from all over campus each week to mingle over coffee, cultural presentations, and samplings of international foods. If you are in the LGBT Center, drop by the ballroom to meet folks from around the world!

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If you are interested in posted a brief announcement (3-4 lines), please submit items via e-mail to lgbt@uga.edu for publication in the following week's newsletter. Please provide a link to any information to ensure readers can access additional information. The LGBT Resource Center does not post student events where alcohol is served and reserves the right to edit all announcements for clarity and space.

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