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Events

Economic Competition Lecture

Presented by Professor Adler, Dr. McMillen

Dr. Stan McMillen, Managing Economist, Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development “An Assessment of Connecticut’s Tax Credit and Abatement Programs.” CT and NY are engaged in a competition for movie production jobs, and this will be the focus of the talk.

Tuesday, September 26th, 2011
9:00 a.m.
Fayerweather 201
(UP Studio, During Professor Adler’s class)

Who Can Stave Off Eco-Apartheid?

Presented by Columbia University, GSAPP

In his new book Bird on Fire: Lessons from the World’s Least Sustainable City, cultural critic Andrew Ross examines the sprawling metropolis’s ecological challenges alongside its social and political ones -- namely, widespread disenfranchisement from high rates foreclosure and unemployment, and strident anti-immigrant legislation.

Tuesday, September 27th 2011
6:30 p.m.
Wood Auditorium, 113 Avery Hall

Pruitt-Igoe Myth, Film Screening

Presented by The BMW Guggenheim Lab

Destroyed in a dramatic and highly publicized implosion, the Pruitt-Igoe public housing complex in St. Louis has become a widespread symbol of failure among architects, politicians, and policy makers. Created in the postwar housing boom, Pruitt-Igoe was to be a symbol of renewal, prosperity, and democracy. It appeared to offer a largely African American community the chance to leave tenements behind for a clean, modern lifestyle. But as Chad Freidrich’s documentary shows, the American city was also changing in ways that made it unrecognizable from a generation earlier, privileging some and leaving others in its wake.

Wednesday, September 28th, 2011
6:00 p.m.
BMW Guggenheim Lab
(2nd Ave and Houston)
**Intersectionalities Seminar**

Presented by Columbia Law School

Columbia Law School and The Center on Intersectionality and Social Policy present a seminar, "Intersectionalities: Theorizing Multiple Discrimination, Identity and Power" with Drs. Leslie McCall and Averil Clarke. Please see attached flier for more information.

Wednesday, September 28th, 2011
6:30 p.m.
William and June Warren Hall,
Room 103

**Design Like You Give a Damn! : LIVE**

Presented by Architecture for Humanity

The two-day event brings together designers, architects, philanthropists, media and business representatives under one roof to talk about the collective challenges, goals and lessons learned in humanitarian design and how to move the field forward. Open to the public, but registration is necessary. Please see attached flier for more information.

Friday, October 21st, 2011
5:00 to 8:00 p.m. : Cocktail Reception

Saturday, October 22nd, 2011
Noon to 6:00 p.m. : Forum

**Divided Cities and Regions Conference**

Presented by University of North Carolina: Chapel Hill

Development occurs in the context of conflict, and development can be the cause of conflict. Divided Cities will bring together top scholars and professionals to discuss how to mediate conflict in everyday practice: what have we learned about conflict, and what must we still learn? How do environmental disputes connect to older race- and class-based tensions? How can we initiate economic and community development in a conflict environment? Please see attached flier for more information.

Thursday & Friday, November 3rd & 4th, 2011
University of North Carolina : Chapel Hill
Academic Opportunities

AAG GIS Student Paper Competition


The GIS Specialty Group (GISSG) of the Association of American Geographers is pleased to announce the 2012 Honors Competition for Student Papers on Geographic Information Science (GIS) topics to be presented at the annual meeting. Any paper that advances any aspect of GIS is welcome. We encourage papers on theoretical, conceptual, and methodological developments in GIS as well as on particular innovative GIS applications. Papers must be based upon original work, completed as an undergraduate or graduate student, relevant to the field of GIS and current GIS research. Papers must be written entirely by the applicant. Students who are selected as finalists will be placed in a special session at the annual meeting.

Awards
Up to five finalists (one session) will be selected on the basis of the quality of extended abstracts and provided with $500 each to attend the conference. Finalists must submit a paper of a substantive nature that constitutes an expanded discussion of the material to be presented orally at the annual meeting. The prizes of $500 for 1st place and $250 for 2nd place will be determined immediately following the special presentation session.

Guidelines for Applications
To be considered for participation in the GIS paper competition, an extended abstract must be submitted (about 1000 words). Electronic submission of the extended abstracts is encouraged (in Microsoft Word format, with 12-point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins, and single-spaced lines). Applicants must clearly indicate that they wish to be considered for the GISSG Student Paper Competition. All submissions not accepted for the competition by the awards committee will be incorporated into the AAG meeting program in other sessions.

Important Dates
September 28, 2011 - Abstract Due
January 24, 2012 - Full Paper Due

For Further Information
Please visit: http://spatial.usc.edu/Education/ScholarshipsAndAwards/AAG-GISSG-Student-Paper-Competition/.
Assistant to the Director

Student worker needed as general assistant to UP Faculty member Lance Freeman. Duties to include copying, scanning, identifying materials in the library, and other tasks to assist Professor Freeman’s academic work. Compensation is $12 per hour, up to 100 hours per semester.

If interested, contact Lance Freeman:
lf182@columbia.edu.

Lance Freeman, Ph.D.
Director and Associate Professor, Urban Planning Program
Graduate School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation

New York State Association of Conservation Commissions

2011 Conference on the Environment

NYSACC is currently offering four scholarships for Conference attendance for students pursuing careers in the environmental field, taking environmental/planning courses, and those interested in local government. The scholarship will cover room, board and registration fees for the three day conference.

Please see attached Scholarship Application to apply.

The Conference will take place:
October 21st - 23rd
Rensselaerville, New York
Internship Opportunities

Institute for Conscious Global Change

GIS Internship

The Institute for Conscious Global Change, Inc. is looking for an experienced Geographic Information Systems (GIS) intern who thrives in a start-up environment. The perfect individual must be a responsible professional who is passionate about wanting to contribute to a ground-breaking work to change the lives of the Bottom Two Billion in the Least Developed Countries. That person must be an innovative thinker who can deliver results, on time and with minimum supervision.

Interns/volunteers will be working on converting, generating, and standardizing various GIS datasets for Haiti. They will also explore ArcGIS Online as the platform to publish the collected datasets.

The GIS Specialist will sustain an orientation to understand the goals and objects of the Virtual Globe Project “Millennium Earth,” the primary activity of the Institute for Conscious Global Change, Inc. This job calls for a part-time commitment of 15+ hours per week. As we operate a virtual office, you can work from home at your own schedule, with weekly progress/assessment meetings over Skype, telephone or personal meeting. The ideal candidate will be able to work through August 31st, 2012, with an option to stay longer.

Qualifications:

- Expert in ArcGIS desktop suite of products (CGC has access to ArcGIS desktop if needed). Able to search, convert, and standardize various datasets from different resources and formats including .csv files into ArcGIS readable data format. Experienced in using ArcGIS Online. Clear, pleasant and professional communication skills, both online and in person. Must be a team player with excellent co-worker relations. Possess a positive outlook on life, work and other people. Creative, regardless of education and experience and committed to ongoing learning. Analytical, innovative and problem-solving skills.

Apply:

Applications are considered on a rolling basis. All interested candidates are encouraged to apply by e-mailing your letter of intent and resume, along with three professional references to:

Etta D. Jackson,
etta@consciousglobalchange.org
Sheridan Expressway Project
Department of City Planning, New York

Interns

Interns would be working with the Department of City Planning on the Sheridan Expressway study. The Department is currently planning for a public workshop/charrette to be held in October. However, the internship is unpaid.

The DCP is looking for a few people that would be willing to one to two days per week for three to six weeks on small and large tasks before, during and after the charrette.

Apply:
Tawkiyah Jordan
tjordan@planning.nyc.gov
646-241-3780

New York City Economic Development Corporation

Coney Island Interns

Within Development, the Intern will assist with the implementation of the Coney Island Strategic Plan and with the ongoing activities of the Coney Island Development Corporation (CIDC). The Strategic Plan, announced by Mayor Bloomberg in 2005, outlines a series of public initiatives designed to enhance amusements and seaside attractions, establish a year-round entertainment destination and create economic opportunities for local residents. A key component of the Strategic Plan is the marketing of the revitalized amusement community and the communication of CIDC’s efforts to implement this vision. To this end, the Intern will assist staff of NYCEDC and the CIDC Board of Directors in implementing and/or planning for a series of projects.

Responsibilities:
Marketing initiatives: The intern may be responsible for projects ranging from tourism efforts, maintenance of a tourism web resource, maintenance of tourism phone messaging resource, new district programming, event planning, and the production of literature, graphics, and other materials for distribution to a variety of audiences. Outreach Initiatives: The intern will assist in the outreach and workforce development efforts of NYCEDC and CIDC, including outreach to key stakeholders, coordination of public meetings, management of correspondence workflows, and ongoing updates of CIDC’s website.

Apply:
Fill out an application online: http://tbe.taleo.net/NA4/ats/careers/apply.jsp;jsessionid=4A946F458CFB3069B3378BB3FC958FD6.NA4_primary_jvm?org=NYCEDC&cws=1
New York City Council, Participatory Budgeting

Volunteers

The New York City Council has created a task force of professionals and students to assist four City Council Members with their participatory budgeting efforts and is in need of student and staff facilitators, note takers, child care volunteers and translators for the upcoming Neighborhood Assemblies.

This is a great opportunity to get in on the ground floor for a live experiment in using Participatory Budgeting, a process pioneered in Brazil but now evoking wide interest in the U.S. also, as a way of democratizing the budgeting process by having neighborhoods have a direct voice in how public funds are spent, initially in their districts. The New York effort is being pioneered by four City Council members, as to the disposition of about one million each has available as a discretionary fund in their district.

If interested:
Contact Rebecca Young at 518-435-5232.

Columbia Partnership for International Development

Executive Board and School Representatives

Would you like to be more involved with the international development community at Columbia? Getting involved with CUPID Leadership is the perfect opportunity to join us! The Columbia Partnership for International Development (CUPID) is now accepting applications for the 2011-2012 Executive Board and School Representatives.

The following positions are now available:
- VP of Membership
- Conference Co-Chair
- Community Initiatives Chair
- Development Dialogue Chair
- School Representative

Apply:
Please email columbiacupid@gmail.com to request an Interest Form.
Employment Opportunities

San Francisco Department of the Environment

Clean Transportation Associate

The mission of the City and County of San Francisco Department of the Environment (SF Environment) is to promote innovative policies and programs to protect the urban and natural environment, promote social equity and expand the green economy. SF Environment programs include Zero Waste/Recycling, Climate, Green Building, Energy Efficiency and Renewables, Toxics Reduction, Environmental Justice, Urban Agriculture, Clean Transportation, Urban Forest, and Public Information Programs. The Clean Air Transportation Program works to improve air quality in San Francisco, primarily by reducing vehicle emissions, commute assistance services, projects to reduce vehicle trips on the job, and works with other local and regional agencies to promote trip reduction.

Please see attached flier for more information on the job, responsibilities and how to apply.

Bay Area Local Initiatives Support Corporation

Program and Outreach Manager

Bay Area Local Initiatives Support Corporation (Bay Area LISC) is seeking a capable, experienced, and energetic individual to fill the role of program and outreach manager for a long-term community development initiative designed to achieve health outcomes. The initiative is part of a 10-year California Endowment (TCE) - funded statewide effort known as "Building Healthy Communities."

To apply visit: http://www.cdwebsites.net/bal1/files/Bay%20Area%20Hub%20Manager%20FINAL92011_1.pdf

Project Coordinator

Bay Area Local Initiatives Support Corporation (Bay Area LISC) is seeking a capable, experienced, and energetic individual to serve as Project Coordinator for the West Contra Costa County HEAL Collaborative (West County HEAL). The position of Project Coordinator offers a powerful opportunity to integrate advocacy, policy, and on-the-ground practices to advance a highly visible effort.

To apply visit: http://www.cdwebsites.net/bal1/files/Bay%20Area%20HEAL%20Project%20Coordinator%20FINAL2011_1.pdf