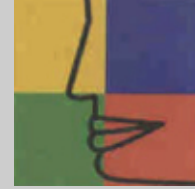


**University of Maryland  
Department of Women's Studies**



*WMST/LGBT Undergraduate E-News  
Spring 2016, Issue #16 February 19, 2016*

## *Greetings!*

Another week, another e-Newsletter! Inside this issue you will find upcoming deadlines for the Lavender Leadership Honor Society, summer courses abroad, the Women's Studies Honors Program, and the Women's Studies Academic Enrichment grant. Also, the UMD Academy for Excellence in Teaching and Learning is sponsoring a student essay contest. Share your most memorable learning experiences for a chance to win \$500!

We included a variety of upcoming events--from author talks to poetry readings to dance performances--be sure to look at Weekend Plans and Mark Your Calendars.

This coming week is the beginning of "Queer Beyond Repair," the 14th annual Lecture Series in LGBT Studies. See details below for our first speaker, Christina Sharpe. We are also coming into the last week of "Black History Month 2016: Face[t]s of Black" at Maryland; included in this issue are the dates, times, and brief descriptions of the events.

This week our Spotlight is shining on Kelsey Sweetman, a senior Women's Studies major who is interning at Calvert OBGYN Associates this semester. Read about her experience working with doctors and patients so far, and find out what made her choose to work at Calvert.

And as always, be sure to look through all of the upcoming Career Center events, Careers4Terps opportunities, and additional internships at the "Career Corner." This week there are a number of new announcements for summer positions.

### **Inside this Issue**

[14th Annual Lecture Series in LGBT Studies: Christina Sharpe](#)

[Weekend Plans](#)

[Mark Your Calendars!](#)

[Lavender Leadership Honor Society](#)

[Spotlight: Kelsey Sweetman](#)

[Academic Enrichment Grants for Women's Studies Majors](#)

[Student Essay Contest: Your Exceptional Learning Experiences](#)

[Apply to Women's Studies Honors Program](#)

[Black History Month 2016: Face\[t\]s of Black](#)

[Summer Study Abroad Opportunities](#)

[Disabilities in a Global Context Program Now Taking Applications](#)

[Upcoming Career Center Events](#)

[Careers4Terps](#)

[Additional Internships](#)

## 14th Annual Lecture Series in LGBT Studies: Christina Sharpe

### **Feb. 24: "How a Girl Becomes a Ship"**

4:30pm, Marie Mount Hall 1400

Christina Sharpe is Associate Professor of English, Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies and Africana Studies at Tufts University. She is the author of two books: *Monstrous Intimacies: Making Post-Slavery Subjects* (Duke University Press, 2010) and *In the Wake: On Blackness and Being* (Duke University Press, forthcoming 2016).



### **Feb. 25: Colloquium with Christina Sharpe**

11am-1pm, Francis Scott Key Hall 2120

Can't attend Professor Sharpe's lecture on Wednesday, February 24 at 4:30pm? Or, just want MORE! This event follows Professor Sharpe's talk from the previous day and is an opportunity for students and faculty to gather in a more intimate and informal setting for more extended discussion of the issues raised in the lecture. We hope you'll join us to continue the conversation. All are welcome!

[Part of Queer Beyond Repair, the 14th Annual Lecture Series in LGBT Studies](#)

## Weekend Plans

### **Feb. 21: "Sunday Kind of Love" featuring Hala Alyan and DC Area Arab American Poets**

[Split This Rock](#)'s "Sunday Kind of Love" monthly open mic features emerging and established poets from the Washington, D.C. area and around the nation. Poets reading in "Sunday Kind of Love" in January, February, and March are part of [Al Mutanabbi Street Starts Here DC 2016](#), a festival in solidarity with the people of Iraq and standing for free expression everywhere. Hosted by Sarah Browning and Katy Richey, the event features Hala Alyan along with Danielle Badra, Rasha Abdulhadi, Zein El-Amine, and Zeina Azzam! An open mic segment will follow readings.



**Time: 5:00-7:00pm** [Tickets: \\$5](#) **Location: Busboys and Poets (14th & V) 2021 14th St, NW, Washington, DC, 20009**

## **Feb. 21: Artist Talk with Barbara Frank and Cynthia Bickley-Green**



1972 CWVA Steering Committee

In 1972 the Conference for Women in the Visual Arts, held at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., challenged the exclusion of women artists from major exhibitions and provided support for women artists, linking to the women's rights movement more broadly. Barbara Frank and Cynthia Bickley-Green, two of the organizers of CWVA, will discuss their own artwork and careers as well as reflect on that groundbreaking conference.

**Sunday, February 21, 2:00 pm. Free.**  
**Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum,**  
**1901 Fort Place, SE, Washington, D.C.**

## *Mark Your Calendars!*

### **Feb. 23: A Conversation with Pussy Riot**

Doors open @ 6:00pm, Showtime @ 8:00pm, The Howard Theatre



Pussy Riot is a Russian feminist punk rock protest group based in Moscow. Founded in August 2011, it has a variable membership of approximately 11 women ranging in age from about 20 to 33. They stage unauthorized provocative guerrilla performances in unusual public locations, which are edited into music videos and posted on the Internet, as well as reported widely by international media. Their lyrical themes

include feminism, LGBT rights, and opposition to the policies of Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Two members of Pussy Riot, Masha (Maria Alyokhina) and Ksenia Zhivago, will speak about their work in a conversation moderated by Piper Kerman, author of *Orange is the New Black*. Professor Schuler says she will be there in the audience so do be sure to look for her and say hello!

**Location: The Howard Theatre 620 T Street, NW Washington, DC 20001**

**General Admission: \$25 Advance / \$30 Day of Show First Come, First Seated**

**Learn more & buy tickets [here](#).**

### **Feb. 24: "From Difficult to Deadly: African American Middle-Class Mothers Navigating Gendered Racism in the Lives of their Children"**

**12pm, Parren J. Mitchell Art-Soc'y Building, Room 1101**

The Department of Sociology presents a talk by Dr. Dawn Dow, entitled "From Difficult to Deadly: African American Middle-Class Mothers Navigating Gendered Racism in the Lives of their Children." Through sixty in-depth interviews of middle- and upper-middle-class African American mothers, Dr. Dow, an Assistant Professor of Sociology at Syracuse University, examines these mothers' strategies of addressing the harsh and tragic consequences of gendered racism for their children in the United States.



### **Feb. 24 - Mar. 6: Washington Jewish Film Festival**

The Washington Jewish Film Festival presents over 60 films along with talkbacks with directors, panel discussions, and storytelling events. Among the themes of this year's film festival are Re-framing the Artist and Rated LGBTQ. For a complete lineup of films and venues, click [here](#).

### **Feb. 27: Dakshina Daniel Phoenix Singh Dance Company Presents *Mortal Tongues, Immortal Stories***

9:00 pm, The Atlas Performing Arts Center



Dakshina brings an updated version of *Mortal Tongues, Immortal Stories* to the [Atlas Intersections Festival](#).

This multimedia project combines poignant choreography, thought provoking poetry, and evocative visual designs to explore the effect of AIDS in our lives. The dance is inspired by the anthology *Persistent Voices: Poetry by Writers Lost to AIDS* which includes the work of eight DC poets whose lives and creativity will be celebrated through this performance.

**Tickets: \$30 Location: The Atlas Performing Arts Center 1333 H St NE Washington, DC 20002**

## *Lavender Leadership Honor Society*

**Application due: February 29, 2016**

The Lavender Leadership Honor Society celebrates and develops leadership for LGBTQ+ inclusion and social justice. Regardless of the form your leadership has taken, we encourage you to [apply](#) for membership in this Society. **Applications are due by the end of the day on Monday, February 29, 2016.**

## *Spotlight: Kelsey Sweetman*

**Calvert OBGYN Associates**



My name is Kelsey Sweetman and I am a senior Women's Studies major graduating this semester. I am interning at Calvert OBGYN Associates in Prince Frederick, Maryland. Calvert OBGYN is located in an office building connected to Calvert Memorial Hospital, which makes it convenient for the doctors to leave the practice to perform surgery, or deliver babies at a moment's notice. Patients can see either a doctor or a highly skilled nurse practitioner for a variety of services including: to receive an annual women's wellness visit, to have an IUD put in place or removed, to obtain other forms of birth control, for OB consultations and checkups, and for other small medical procedures relating to women's health.



I chose to work at Calvert OBGYN Associates because of my own personal experience there. I have gone to see one of the nurse practitioners, Debbie Davis, since my first women's wellness visit five years ago. I felt extremely shy about going at first mostly because I had never received sex education before in my life, and I was raised in a conservative family that had taught me that abstinence was my only option even though I was secretly sexual active at the time. Debbie Davis made me feel incredibly comfortable at my first and following visits. She discussed my sexual health with me without judgment in a way where I felt informed and respected, and because of that I felt I was able to become empowered over my own sexual health. Because of my personal experience, I wanted to work for this organization to gain more insight on how to empower other women the way I had been.



**"I was even able to insert a fake IUD into a model uterus"**

So far I have been learning both administrative and clinical knowledge. I am involved in almost every process of the office, from checking the patient in to working alongside doctors and nurse practitioners by shadowing OB and GYN visits. I have also been given the opportunity to talk to pharmaceutical reps, and I was even able to insert a fake IUD into a model uterus when discussing a new low cost IUD that will be available for half the cost making it obtainable for lower income women.

Even though a Women's Studies degree is not medical, I am really enjoying learning the clinical aspects of gynecology, and I am excited to witness more medical procedures. I hope to learn how to inform and empower women about their sexual health, and to better understand where the system may be broken so that I may be inspired to create change.

I think that my internship relates to Women's Studies because Calvert OBGYN Associates is dedicated to serving women and families, and helping our community with the service of an extremely dedicated staff. I feel incredibly excited to see what knowledge I will gain through this internship, and I am excited to see how my previous knowledge gained from my Women's Studies courses will contribute to my experience there as well.

## *Academic Enrichment Grants for Women's Studies Majors*



**Department of  
Women's Studies**

Women's Studies Majors are eligible to apply for Academic Enrichment Grants to fund research, participation in academic or leadership conferences and workshops, or other activities that will enhance your education in women's, gender, and/or sexuality studies. Application deadline is mid-March for projects during the February 2016 to August 2016 time period. **Students submitting applications by March 23 will be notified by April 11 if their project will be funded.**

To apply, send a 250-500 word statement about the project/conference/workshop/organizing meeting, etc. for which you are requesting funding and indicate how you see this relating to your work in Women's Studies. Also, submit a resume, budget, the name of one professor who can serve as a reference, and, if applicable, a list of any other sources from which you are requesting funding for this same project. If applying for an activity that occurred prior to the application deadline, please submit copies of receipts to accompany your budget.

Applications submitted after the scheduled October and March deadlines will be considered if there are any remaining Academic Enrichment funds for the semester.

For questions about these grants or assistance with developing your proposal, please talk with Professor Elsa Barkley Brown, Director of Undergraduate Studies. Professor Barkley Brown's spring 2016 office hours are 9:30-11:30 Thursdays in 2101 Woods Hall or feel free to email [barkleyb@umd.edu](mailto:barkleyb@umd.edu)

## *Student Essay Contest: Exceptional Learning Experiences*

**Deadline: March 1**

Have you had learning experiences at UMD that were memorable and meaningful, as well as challenging, inspirational, and creative? If so, the UMD Academy of Excellence in Teaching and Learning (AETL) would like to hear from you! We invite you to submit an essay (no more than 1,000 words, double spaced) sharing the exceptional learning experience that you had. The top three essays, as judged by AETL, will receive a monetary award (1st place: \$500, 2nd place: \$250, 3rd place: \$100). The award winners will also be invited for a panel discussion with AETL

members about the characteristics of memorable teaching and learning moments. All currently enrolled undergraduate students are eligible to apply.

**Awards announced:** After spring break

[The Academy for Excellence in Teaching and Learning](#) at the University of Maryland is a faculty community of scholars committed to fostering a culture of excellence in teaching and learning at this university.

**For more information, contact Kaci Thompson, [kaci@umd.edu](mailto:kaci@umd.edu) or Leah Waks, [leahwaks@umd.edu](mailto:leahwaks@umd.edu). Apply [here](#). Submission deadline: March 1**

## *Apply to the Women's Studies Honors Program!*

**Deadline: March 1**

The Department of Women's Studies Honors Program provides an opportunity for students within the University to pursue an academic interest in some aspect of women's, gender, and/or sexuality studies in greater depth than that allowed by formal classes. While the Honors Program puts emphasis on the development of habits of self-reliance, individual initiative, and critical analysis, students also have the experience of working one-on-one with a faculty mentor. The thesis project may result in a sustained piece of writing or a substantial creative or activist project.

Students are accepted into the honors program each semester. Ideally students should apply in the second semester of their sophomore year. Transfer students are welcome to apply.

Applications are accepted from students of any major who have completed three WMST and/or LGBT courses at the time of application and have at least a 3.25 overall GPA and a 3.25 GPA in the WMST/LGBT courses taken.

The Honors program consists of 12 credits, ideally taken across four semesters. Transfer students or students who are planning study abroad should speak to the Director of Undergraduate Studies about the possibility of completing the Honors program in three semesters. The four courses are: an upper-level course of choice taken with an Honors Option; the WMST or LGBT senior seminar taken with an Honors Option; and 6 credits of WMST Honors Thesis.

Students wishing to begin the Honors Program in Fall 2016 should apply by March 1, 2016. Students wishing to begin the Honors Program in Spring 2017 should apply by November 1, 2016.

To apply, submit:

- a transcript (unofficial is acceptable),
- a list of all LGBT and/or WMST courses completed,
- a list of any LGBT or WMST courses in which you are currently enrolled,
- the names and email addresses of two faculty who can evaluate your abilities and readiness to take on an independent project, at least one of whom has been your instructor in an LGBT or WMST course,
- a sample writing or creative project that you have completed for a course
- a brief (maximum 250 words) statement of why you are interested in the Honors Program;

- and, indicate when you expect to graduate.

Applications should be submitted to Professor Elsa Barkley Brown, Director of Undergraduate Studies. They may be submitted electronically to [barkleyb@umd.edu](mailto:barkleyb@umd.edu) or in hard copy to Professor Barkley Brown's mailbox in the Department of Women's Studies, 2101 Woods Hall.

If you have questions about the Honors Program, your application, the program's structure, possible Honors projects you might do, or other, you are encouraged to speak with Professor Barkley Brown and with other members of the LGBT/WMST faculty. For Spring 2016 Professor Barkley Brown's office hours are 9:30-11:30 Thursdays and by appointment in 2101 Woods Hall or email [barkleyb@umd.edu](mailto:barkleyb@umd.edu).



## *Black History Month 2016: Face(t)s of Black*

**WEEK 4: FEBRUARY 22nd- FEBRUARY 29th**

The Black History Month 2016 theme "Face(t)s of Black" celebrates the endless intersectional identities ("faces") of people of the African Diaspora, dispelling the myth of Blackness as a monolith.

### **Monday, February 22nd**

#### **Lessons Learned: How Sports Prepare You for Entrepreneurship**

3pm-4pm, David C. Driskell Center, 1207 Cole Student Activity Building  
Department of Kinesiology and Robert H. Smith School of Business

A former UMCP and professional soccer player, who is now a partner in Cogent Entertainment, will discuss the traits and habits derived from sports participation that are transferable to developing a successful business.

**Contact: Dr. Marvin Scott, 301-405-2480**

#### **Waiting to Exhale: Women of the African Diaspora**

6:30pm, Nyumburu Cultural Center, Multipurpose Room

The African Students Progressive Action Committee (ASPAC)

Waiting to Exhale is an interactive expo which features women of the African Diaspora. Join us as we use art, hair, music, sexuality, dance, and culture to explore and celebrate the melanin goddesses of the world.

**Contact: [aspacumd@gmail.com](mailto:aspacumd@gmail.com)**

### **Tuesday, February 23rd**

#### **Office of Graduate Diversity and Inclusion Spring Speaker Series**

4:30pm-6:30pm, Benjamin Banneker B 2212, The Stamp

Office of Graduate Diversity and Inclusion, The Graduate School



UMD alum, Dr. Maurice Dorsey (1970, 1985), returns to University of Maryland to offer insights on institutional change on diversity then and now.

**Contact: Christopher Perez, (301) 405-0763**

### **Wednesday, February 24th**

#### **The Lives of Fredrick Douglass**

3:30pm-5pm, Special Events Room, 6137 McKeldin Library  
College of Arts and Humanities, English Department

A Conversation with Dr. Robert S. Levine, Distinguished University Professor, Department of English. Presented in partnership with the UMD English Department's Center for Literary and Comparative Studies.

**Contact:** [lib-authorseries@umd.edu](mailto:lib-authorseries@umd.edu)

#### **Nyumburu Talent Showcase**

5:30pm-7pm, The Diner, North Campus Dining Hall  
Nyumburu Cultural Center

**Contact: Anne Carswell, [carswell@umd.edu](mailto:carswell@umd.edu)**

### **Thursday, February 25th**

#### **B(l)ack Talk IV: Black Excellence**

12:30pm-2pm, MICA/LCSL Conference Room

Multicultural Involvement and Community Advocacy (MICA)

"...And for that paper look how low we a'stoop/even if you in a Benz, you still...." A discussion on success, respectability, and what we may leave behind to get ahead. Part of a monthly series aimed at provoking dialogue and debate around critical issues in black student life.

**Contact: Tia Dolet, [tdolet@umd.edu](mailto:tdolet@umd.edu)**

#### **Black History Month Closing Ceremony**

5-7pm, Nyumburu Cultural Center, Multipurpose Room

Nyumburu Cultural Center, Co-sponsors: CSA, BSU, ASA, NAACP (UMD Chapter), SOUL, BMI, & WETATi (UMD Chapter)

**Contact: Anne Carswell, [carswell@umd.edu](mailto:carswell@umd.edu)**

#### **My Black Is Beautiful**

6pm-8pm, Colony Ballroom, The Stamp  
Maryland MANE

"My Black is Beautiful" is a program that discusses topics of beauty, race, media, colorism and self-image in the black community as well as its influence in other communities. More importantly it will be a celebration of blackness throughout the years despite continuous adversity.

**Contact: [MarylandMANE@gmail.com](mailto:MarylandMANE@gmail.com)**

### **Friday, February 26th**

#### **Baltimore**

Fri., Feb. 26th - Fri., March 5th, Kay Theatre, The Clarice

The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center

Baltimore, a staged play by Kirsten Greenidge, is a contemporary story about the loss of innocence and the coming of age of a student forced to encounter the social ramifications of difference and her own cultural relevance. Baltimore is part of the Big Ten Theatre Consortium's New Play Initiative for women playwrights.

[Buy tickets here.](#)

### **Saturday, February 27th**

#### **Apollo Night**

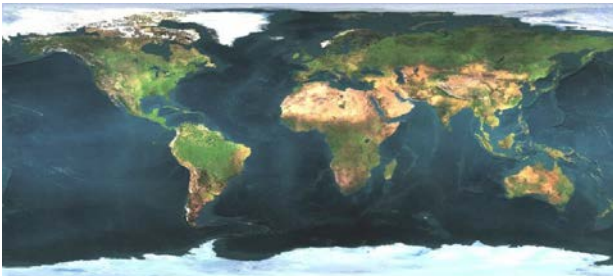
4:30pm, Hoff Theater, The Stamp

Black Student Union

Celebrating the legacy of the historic "Night at the Apollo," the Black Student Union is showcasing some of the best acts on campus. Come enjoy a free night of entertainment while feeling like you are back in time at the famous theater that has bred so many great entertainers.

Contact: [umdbsu@gmail.com](mailto:umdbsu@gmail.com)

## *Study Abroad - Still Time to Apply for Summer 2016* **Extended Deadlines for Summer 2016 Study Abroad Programs**



The Education Abroad office has extended deadlines for many summer 2016 study abroad programs. Students have until **March 6th** to apply for programs in France and Ireland and until **March 9th** to apply for programs in a range of other countries. For more information on summer programs, application requirements, and deadlines, see the [Education Abroad Deadline Extension announcement](#).



**Thailand:  
Leading  
for  
LGBTQ+**

### **Empowerment - Summer 2016 Course**

Three-credit study abroad course in Thailand will run June 3-26, 2016. The course is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. **Applications are due no later than March 1, 2016**, but students are encouraged to start the process as soon as possible. (NOTE: Undergrads enrolled at UMD might also be eligible for the Education Abroad Fund scholarships, and the scholarship portion of the application is due February 15th.)

This course is ideal for students who want to learn more about LGBTQ+ identities and issues in a cross-cultural context or who simply want to look at social justice leadership, those who are planning or thinking about being an international practitioner (e.g. in education, public health, public policy, international development, etc.), and those who are curious learners who find the course topic fascinating. The course is cross listed with Asian American Studies and LGBT Studies. **Further details are available [here](#).**

## *Disabilities in a Global Context Program*

**Deadline: March 15th**

UMD's new Internship program empowers students to explore multidisciplinary perspectives on disability on a global comparative scale. Join innovative organizations that seek to eliminate barriers to the full integration of people with disabilities in communities around the globe.

Students who complete the three-part program--on-campus disability course, summer internship, and capstone project and public forum--will earn six academic credits. Coursework is based on campus and on-line. Summer internship locations include: **Perú: Ollantaytambo, Cusco; Ecuador: Quito; and Ghana: Kasoa, Central Region.** Scholarship opportunities are available.



Learn more & apply [here](#).



## Career Corner

### **ARHU Career Events & Opportunities via Kate Juhl**

#### **Upcoming Events**

A full listing of career events can always be found at [www.Careers.umd.edu](http://www.Careers.umd.edu). ARHU students can schedule appointments with the University Career Center @ ARHU through Careers4Terps ([www.Careers.umd.edu](http://www.Careers.umd.edu)). Walk-in hours are also held on Mondays from 1:30-3:30 pm and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 am in 1118 Francis Scott Key Hall.

#### **Career Fair Prep Walk-In Hours**

**Monday, February 22, 10:00am - 4:00pm**

**3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing**

Want to have an edge over other candidates at the Spring Career & Internship Fair? Need help with your resume or want it critiqued? Not sure how to present your qualifications to

employers? Have questions about what to wear? If you answer "yes" to any of these questions or have other ones, then plan on taking advantage of these special walk-in hours to prepare for the Spring Career & Internship Fair.  
Printed resume required for this critique.

### **US Department of State**

**Tuesday February 23, 12:00 - 1:00pm**

**3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing**

Join the State Department's Diplomat in Residence to learn more about the agency and it's internship and full-time opportunities. Students can sign up for 30 minute timeslots in Careers4Terps. Click here to sign up

Minimum attire for ALL sessions with employers present is business casual unless otherwise specified. For additional information about this event: contact Caroline Lee at [clee91@umd.edu](mailto:clee91@umd.edu)

### **Interactive ARHU Job and Internship Workshop**

**Tuesday February 23, 6:30-8:00pm**

**3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing**

Are you a junior or senior looking for practical advice for being a leader in your job or internship? Come join us for this interactive workshop - light dinner will be provided!

**Required RSVP [here](#). (Space is limited!)**

### **Spring Career & Internship Fair 2016**

**Wednesday February 24 - Friday February 26, 12:00-5:00pm**

**Adele H. Stamp Student Union**

The annual 3-day Spring Career and Internship Fair provides all UMD students with an opportunity to meet face-to-face with employers to discuss internship, full-time and part-time employment opportunities. Each day of the fair has different employers in attendance, be sure to view [the list](#) of attendees to plan ahead.

### **Peace Corps Office Hours**

**Fridays from 1-4pm | February 12, 19, 26 | March 4, 11, 25 | April 1, 8, 15, 22 | May 6**

**3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing**

Interested in Peace Corps? Drop by the walk-in Peace Corps Office Hours to speak with UMD's Peace Corps Recruiter, learn general information about volunteering, receive assistance with the application process, practice for interviews, and more. Meetings will last 20 minutes each, and are walk-in only. Please bring an updated version of your resume (paper or digital copy) and come prepared with 2 or 3 Peace Corps volunteer positions to which you are interested in applying. Check in at the front desk with your UID.

**For questions email Anna, the UMD recruiter: [peacecorpsumd@umd.edu](mailto:peacecorpsumd@umd.edu).**

### **Photo Friday at the Fair - February 2016 Edition**

**Friday February 26, 11:00-2:00pm**

**Adele H. Stamp Student Union**

One Friday each month during the regular academic year, the Career Center offers free professional head shots for undergraduate and graduate university of Maryland students! Arrive 5-10 minutes prior to your time slot, if possible. Each session will last about 3-5 minutes. Scheduled appointments will occur between 11:00am and 1:30 pm, walk-ins may come at any time. Walk-ins exclusively accepted from 1:30-2:00pm.

**[RSVP](#) Starting February 22!**

### **Career4Terps Opportunities**

*Thousands of internships as well as part-time and full-time jobs (including the few listed below) can be found by logging into Careers4Terps at [www.Careers.umd.edu](http://www.Careers.umd.edu). Need help accessing your*

*account? Stop by the University Career Center (3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing) anytime Monday-Friday from 10:00 am- 4:00 pm (no appointment needed) for help with Careers4Terps.*

**National Organization for Women (NOW)**

**Position Type:** Internship (Summer)

**ID#:**134082 @ <http://careers.umd.edu/>

**Preferred Class:** Junior, Senior, or Masters Candidate

**Preferred Majors:** All majors

**Job Function:** Social Services

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Duration:** Summer

**Hours Per Week:** Unspecified

**Compensation:** Unpaid

**Description:** Multiple Intern positions available in different divisions including the Government Relations/Public Policy Team: Interns will assist the director in extensive research and writing tasks relating to legislation, issues, and NOW actions.

- Interns will also attend coalition meetings, Congressional briefings, and hearings, and report back to staff.
- Keep track of current legislation and news stories
- Conduct daily research on a variety of women's issues, and writing memos or briefs on various legislation and events that pertain to NOW
- Participate in writing informational blog posts that serve in educating the online community on NOW's positions on a variety of issues, some of which include: women's reproductive rights, economic justice, racial justice, and constitutional equality
- Attend briefings on Capitol Hill for which you will be responsible for reporting on

**Qualifications:**

Prospective interns should be hard working, enthusiastic and flexible individuals who possess or seek a working knowledge of women's issues and feminist organizing. Interns should also be committed to continuing to struggle for equality and justice once they leave the internship program and return to their campuses and communities. **A minimum of 2 days per week is required.**

**Full time interns are preferred.**

**Application deadline: March 15, 2016**

**The Center for the Study of Social Policy**

**Position Type:** Internship (Summer)

**ID#:** 133611 @ <http://careers.umd.edu/>

**Preferred Class:** Freshman or higher

**Preferred Majors:** All majors

**Job Function:** Research

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Duration:** Summer

**Hours Per Week:** Unspecified

**Compensation:** Unpaid

**Description:**

This intern will work with both the Alliance and Community Change teams. For the Alliance, the intern will focus on projects related to creating equitable outcomes for youth and families of color involved with child welfare and other intervening public systems. For the Community Change Team, the intern will focus on researching national and state policies that promote resident



engagement and capacity building, leadership development, community violence, affordable housing and community public health.

**All applicants must:**

- Currently be pursuing a graduate degree in public policy, social policy or a related field, or pursuing an undergraduate degree with experience in public policy development and analysis
- Have a demonstrated commitment to the mission and values of CSSP
- Possess strong analytical skills, research and writing skills
- Work well autonomously and as a member of a team
- Have a basic understanding of public systems and structures

**Application deadline: February 27, 2016**

**AVODAH: The Jewish Service Corps**

**Position Type:** Entry Level

**ID#:** 134119 @ <http://careers.umd.edu/>

**Preferred Class:** New graduates

**Preferred Majors:** All Majors

**Job Function:** Communication, Education/Teaching, Social Services, Other

**Location:** Washington, DC; New Orleans, LA; Chicago, IL; New York, NY

**Duration:** One year

**Hours Per Week:** 40+

**Compensation:** Stipend (Living allowance, health insurance, travel subsidy, subsidized housing)

**Description:**

AVODAH: The Jewish Service Corps seeks corps members of all backgrounds for a year of service at antipoverty organizations in Chicago, New Orleans, New York, and Washington, DC. AVODAH matches corps members with local, community-based organizations where they gain considerable expertise spending a year focused on issues including immigration, domestic violence, hunger, homelessness and housing, environmental justice, education, and public health.

Corps members are expected to work at a high level at their placements and are able to do so through the expertise of placement staff, the support of AVODAH program staff and through AVODAH's program which works to provide corps members with skills, mentoring, connection to leaders in the field, and an expanded tool kit of methods of social change.

**Qualifications:**

- Applicants must be between the ages of 21-26 at the start of the program year in August.
- Applicants must be authorized to work in the United States.
- Applicants must be able to participate in the program for a full year.

**Application deadline: March 9, 2016**

**Fund for the Public Interest**

**ID#:**126480 at [careers.umd.edu](http://careers.umd.edu)

**Preferred Class:** Sophomore, Junior, Senior

**Preferred Majors:**All Majors

**Job Function:**Other

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Compensation:** \$10-15 per hour, Field Managers earn additional \$50-100 per week. Healthcare benefits, vacation, and more.

**Application deadline:** March 17, 2016

**Description:**

The Fund for the Public Interest is looking for passionate, motivated people to work on a campaign to end LGBT discrimination. We're a national non-profit that builds the people power necessary to win hard-fought campaigns for America's leading grassroots action groups. We're working on behalf of the Human Rights Campaign to end LGBT discrimination in the workplace.

We're hiring students as paid staff to help with our campaign and citizen outreach work this fall in our office. As paid campaign staff, students will build grassroots power, learn the building blocks of political organizing, and work closely with our senior staff management team. The email below describes our organization and positions available, and has a link to a form for students to fill out if they would like to hear more about campaign opportunities.

We are currently hiring for a number of different field positions, with opportunities for rapid advancement. Leadership positions include Field Manager and Canvass Director. Apply today to effect real social change! Please apply [here](#) to assure that we can get in contact as quickly as possible.

**Additional Internships**

**National Museum of Women in the Arts**

Position: Summer 2016 Internships -- paid and unpaid

Location: Washington, D.C.

National Museum of Women in the Arts offers paid and unpaid internships for undergraduate and graduate students and recent graduates. Unpaid interns must make a minimum commitment of 20 hours (2.5 days) per week for three months. Paid interns must commit to 40 hours (5 days) per week for 12 weeks. For Summer 2016, the following are available:

- Development Internship
- Director's Office Internship
- Education & Digital Engagement Internship
- Finance Internship
- Library & Research Center Internship
- Membership Internship
- Publications & Communications/Marketing Internship
- Registrar Internship

For information on each of these internships as well as application procedures, see the [NMWA internship site](#). Application deadline for Summer 2016 internships is March 15. (Applications for Fall internships will be due June 15.)

**Strathmore Hall**

**Position:** Summer 2016 Internship

**Location:** North Bethesda, Maryland

College and graduate students interested in an arts management career are encouraged to apply for a Summer Internship at Strathmore Hall Foundation, Inc. for the period of May 2016 through August 2016. Applications are due no later than **Monday, February 22, 2016, by 5:00 p.m.** The Strathmore Hall Foundation nurtures art, artists and community through creative and diverse programming of the highest quality. This summer we have openings for paid internships (**35 hours/week**) in Programming/Operations, Development, Visual Arts, Marketing/Communications, Facilities/Operations, Rentals/Event Planning, and Education. If the applicant is pursuing an internship for school credit, they must contact Strathmore in advance to ensure that all school requirements can be met.

**Requirements:**

- Ideal applicants are current juniors or seniors with at least two years of liberal arts, arts management or arts-related study at the college level, but first or second year college students will also be considered.
- Those who are currently enrolled in graduate programs and those who completed undergraduate studies no earlier than May 2015 will also be considered.
- Excellent written and verbal communications skills are essential.
- Applicants must demonstrate a sincere interest in the behind-the-scenes operations of an arts center. Access to a car and previous experience in customer service or arts administration are beneficial.

**Complete Applications Must Include:**

- Cover Letter (see below for details)
- Resume with current contact information
- Contact Information for two References (letters of recommendations are accepted but not required)
- Transcripts (unofficial will be accepted)

**In your cover letter, please include:**

- Details of the days and hours you are available. If you do not know your final schedule, at least estimate which weeks and how many hours you will be available per week; final schedule must be confirmed before any internship position will be offered
- Listing of all department(s) of interest; if you are interested in multiple departments, please rank your order of preference
- If you are currently and/or will be in town for Spring Break and available for an in-person interview, please include those dates; this is not a requirement - other candidates will be interviewed via phone or Skype
- Whether you will have access to a car for your use this summer

**To apply:** please send complete applications to Beth Radovsky, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, N. Bethesda MD 20852 or [internships@strathmore.org](mailto:internships@strathmore.org). Email submissions are preferred. Learn more about about Strathmore [here](#).

**Lambda Legal**

**Position:** Fair Courts Project Undergraduate Intern

**Location:** National Headquarters, New York

Lambda Legal's Education and Public Affairs Department seeks a law student or exceptional undergraduate for Fall, Spring and Summer semester internships.

Lambda Legal is the nation's oldest and largest legal organization committed to achieving full equality for lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender people and people with HIV through impact litigation, education and public policy work. Lambda Legal's law reform, policy and education work encompasses a wide range of areas, including federal and state constitutional law issues, discrimination in employment, benefits, housing, insurance, schools and other areas, harassment and violence, antigay ballot initiatives, access to healthcare and HIV-related treatments, child custody, visitation and adoption, the freedom to marry and sodomy law reform.

**Responsibilities:**

- The intern will assist primarily with Lambda Legal's Fair Courts Project.
- This internship will not offer any opportunity to be directly involved with any aspects of litigation.

**Qualifications:**

- Candidates should have a strong interest in Lambda Legal's work, and specifically in the Fair Courts Project.
- Candidates with experience related to these areas are preferred.
- Candidates should have had substantial political science undergraduate course work.

**Compensation:**

- This is a volunteer nonpaying position, applicants are strongly encouraged to seek out and apply for grants from their school or other sources.

**Application:**

- The title of the position MUST appear in the first line of the envelope if mailing or subject line if emailing.
- Please send resume and cover letter explaining your interest in this position and qualifications for it, to: Eric Lesh - Fair Courts Project Internship -- [elesh@lambdalegal.org](mailto:elesh@lambdalegal.org).

*Internships are available throughout the year.*

Lambda Legal is committed to further building and maintaining a staff that reflects the full range of LGBT, HIV and allied communities, and is an equal opportunity employer. People of color, transgender and gender-nonconforming people, women, people with abilities in multiple languages, immigrants, and people living with disabilities, including HIV, are encouraged to apply.

**Governor's Summer Internship Program**

**Eligibility Criteria:** Rising Junior or Senior in Fall 2016 & Attending a Maryland institution or current Maryland resident

**Available:** June 1 - August 11

**GPA:** 3.0 or above

**Application Deadline:** March 15th

The Governor's Summer Internship Program (GSIP) introduces Maryland's "best and brightest" to the challenges and rewards of working within the Maryland state government. Fellows of all majors work full-time in state agencies while being mentored by senior level administrators. Additionally, they attend seminars and field trips, meet with key government leaders, and work together in groups to prepare a policy analysis and recommendation. The program culminates in

a celebration at the Maryland State House in Annapolis, where the fellows present their policies to the Governor. Students are paid a stipend of \$3,000.

For more information, visit [here](#).

### **Nonprofit Leadership Program**

**Eligibility Criteria:** Rising Junior or Senior or Graduate Student in Fall 2016 & Attending a Maryland institution or current Maryland resident

**Available:** June 1 - August 11

**GPA:** 3.0 or above

**Application Deadline:** March 15th

The Walter Sondheim Jr. Maryland Nonprofit Leadership Program introduces Maryland's "best and brightest" to the nonprofit sector. Fellows work full-time at nonprofit organizations, gaining exposure to all of the components of these organizations, mentored by senior-level administrators. Additionally, fellows participate in seminars, trips, and networking opportunities with leaders in the nonprofit sector. They also work together in groups to apply the knowledge gained in the seminars and at their sites to create proposals to solve problems posed by area nonprofit organizations. The program culminates in a celebration where the fellows present their proposals to various community stakeholders. Fellows are paid a stipend of \$3,000.

For more information, visit [here](#).

### **MDOT Fellows Program**

**Eligibility Criteria:** Rising Senior in Fall 2016 & Attending a Maryland institution or current Maryland resident

**Available:** June 13 - August 5

**GPA:** 2.7 or above

**Application Deadline:** March 15th

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Fellows Program Exposes Maryland's "best and brightest" college students to careers in the state sector within Maryland's integrative transportation system. Students in all majors are placed in full-time assignments in one of the MDOT's modals and are mentored by senior-level administrators. With the knowledge gained at their placements, and through seminars, trips, and networking events, fellows research and create a proposal to solve a transportation challenge. Students are paid a \$3,500 stipend.

For more information, visit [here](#).

### **PIRG Campus Action**

At PIRG Campus Action, our organizers work on college campuses across the country to empower students to make a difference on some of the top issues facing our generation today. If you have the passion and the drive it takes to fuel the power of student activism, win positive change, and build for even more victories in the future, consider working with us.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Recruiting hundreds of students to volunteer
- Teaching students to plan and run effective campaigns through internship classes and on-the-ground training
- Building relationships with faculty and administrators
- Organizing news events and rallies, and generating the grassroots support it takes to win campaigns



- During the summer, each organizer runs a citizen outreach office. This entails fundraising and building the organization, by canvassing and training others to canvass.

**Qualifications:**

- Strong work ethic
- Outstanding verbal and written communication skills
- Proven leadership skills
- Strong commitment to getting results
- Passion for making positive social change

For more information, visit [here](#).

## Contact

**Dr. Elsa Barkley Brown**  
**Director of Undergraduate Studies**  
Women's Studies Department  
2101 Woods Hall  
University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742  
[barkleyb@umd.edu](mailto:barkleyb@umd.edu) 301-405-7710

---

## Stay Connected



## *Quote of the Week*

In this story  
there's always the possibility of  
morning,  
a chance  
that the screams which drip  
down at midnight  
are not really threatening  
but wishing us well,  
wishing us a life  
in another story.

~M.A. Jones, "An Overture"  
from *Doing Time: 25 Years of  
Prison Writing*