

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

*WMST/LGBT Undergraduate E-News  
Fall 2016, Issue #31 September 23, 2016*



## Greetings!

Fall is finally here! And we are back with another issue of this weekly pub.

Next week on campus is event-packed; we provide you some highlights of the campus calendar, as well as some ideas for getting off campus over this weekend.

Monday, September 26, is the deadline to apply for the Laura Nichols Award, recognizing service, activist, or creative projects. Applications can be for ongoing or future projects or for projects completed within the last two years.

Please note the call for volunteers for the campus Help Center Hotline -- with an updated telephone number to sign up for training.

If you have returned from studying abroad and are wondering how you can leverage that experience in applying for internships or jobs, the Lessons from Abroad Returnee Conference may be for you.

Check out the Reminders section for information on upcoming deadlines -- Intern for a Day registration, Study Abroad Scholarship applications, Alternative Weekends sign up.

Our Spotlight this week congratulates Sarah Stephens, recipient of the Novak Family TerpStart Endowed Scholarship in LGBT Studies.

### Inside this Issue:

[Weekend Plans](#)

[Mark Your Calendars!](#)

[Spotlight: Sarah Stephens, Novak Family Scholarship in LGBT Studies](#)

[Volunteer at Help Center Hotline](#)

[Triota Honor Society -- Apply for membership](#)

[Study Abroad Returnee Conference](#)

[Hoochie: Anthology for Feminist Studies -- call for your submissions](#)

[Laura Nichols Award](#)

[Reminders](#)

[Upcoming Career Center Events](#)

[Careers4Terps](#)

[Additional Internships and Jobs](#)

## *Weekend Plans*

### ***3rd Annual DC Chinese Film Festival*** ***Through September 25***

The 3rd annual DC Chinese Film Festival runs through Sunday, September 25.

This year the festival features two LGBT documentaries, *Papa Rainbow* and *A Straight Journey*, which will be shown on Friday, September 23, 7:00 pm, at E Street Cinema.

*Papa Rainbow* (80 minutes) features six fathers who talk openly about their experiences with LGBT children. Speaking out against stigma, they redefine what it means to protect a household in China.

From 2014 to 2015, Masamojo, a team of two photographers, took a journey across 11 cities in China, making portraits of 48 gay and lesbian individuals and their families. *A Straight Journey* (23 minutes) documents their journey and those untold stories. Fan Popo, the director of *Papa Rainbow* will be present for a Q&A after the film screening.

For more on the film festival, click [here](#).

### ***The Art of Romaine Brooks*** ***Through October 2, 2016***

Romaine Brooks (1874- 1970) lived most of her life in Paris where she was a leading figure of an artistic counterculture of upper-class Europeans and American expatriates, many of whom were creative, bohemian, and homosexual. Brooks crafted an androgynous appearance that challenged conventional ideas of how women should look and behave, and these ideas extended to many of the portraits she painted in the 1920s, which are some of her best known works. Brooks' exploration of gender and sexuality in many of her portraits led to renewed interest in her work in the 1980s, and her powerful images are still compelling to audiences today. For more information about Brooks and the exhibit, click [here](#).



**Location: Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and F Streets, N.W., Washington, DC**

**Admission: Free**

### ***Queer Interiors*** ***September 18, 2016 through August 2017***

The Baltimore Museum of Art presents *Queer Interiors*, a multimedia installation that explores facets of domestic life experienced by LGBTQI+ communities. It was created by Baltimore-based artists Rahne Alexander and Jaimes Mayhew working in conjunction with Chase Brexton Health Care's LGBT Health Resource Center. The project includes a larger-than-life bed, furnishings, personal artifacts, and a multimedia wall quilt. Throughout the year-long installation, the bed décor, personal artifacts, and domestic scenes which are projected on the quilt will change in order to portray the multiple facets of the LGBTQI+ population, including many underrepresented communities. The photographs and home video content is being crowdsourced. For more on the exhibit or how to contribute materials to the artists, see the [exhibit press release](#). Visit the [BMA](#) website for hours and directions.



**Location:** Baltimore Museum of Art, 10 Art Museum Drive, Baltimore, Maryland  
**Admission:** Free

## *Mark Your Calendars!*

### **September 27: Latin American Studies Center Fall Welcome Reception**



The Latin American Studies Center will hold its fall welcome reception on Tuesday, September 27. There will be refreshments and informal conversation. At 3:30 pm Dr. Britta Anderson, LASC's new Post-Doctoral Associate, will say some brief words about her research which focuses on contemporary murals and literature produced on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border that respond to the policing of citizenship and movement through four institutional systems: highways, prisons, factories, and the militarized border patrol infrastructure. Dr. Anderson will be teaching an upper level undergraduate and graduate seminar in Spring 2017 called "Social Justice and Public Art: Policing Gender, Race, and Citizenship." This will be a special opportunity to meet Dr. Anderson, learn about her research, and ask her about her upcoming course.



For more information, email [lasc@umd.edu](mailto:lasc@umd.edu)

**Location:** 2120 Francis Scott Key Hall  
**Time:** Tuesday, September 27, 3:00-5:00 pm

### **September 28: Midterm Power**

Midterm Power will provide students with resources to help effectively prepare for midterm exams and projects. Techniques for minimizing stress and anxiety and effective learning and study strategies will be shared. Information from relevant campus resources will be available. Students

will also participate in academic skills workshops and have their names included in prize drawings, and more. Midterm success starts here!

Sponsored by the Learning Assistance Service, a division of the Counseling Center. For more information, visit the Counseling Center in 2202 Shoemaker Building, email [las-cc@umd.edu](mailto:las-cc@umd.edu), call 301-314-7693 or go to <http://www.counseling.umd.edu/LAS/>.

**Location: Stamp Atrium**

**Time: Wednesday, September 28, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**

### **September 28-29: Learning Outside the Lines: Children and Youth in an Interconnected World**

Scholars and practitioners from throughout the world, offering Eastern and Western perspectives and representing multiple disciplines, will examine bold ideas and new thinking about young people in the world.

Around the world, the experiences of children range from those with affluence, well-funded schools, and peaceful homes, to those who are impoverished, exposed to violence, and are victims of injustice. This conference seeks to widen and deepen our understanding of childhood and youth in relation to the inequalities of nation, gender, ethnicity/race, class, religion, and minority/ majority belonging. It will examine children in conflict and war, as objects of consumption, and as displaced and migrating populations.

Location: Colony Ballroom in Stamp Student Union, Room 2203

**For more information and for the list of all of the speakers, please visit [bahaichair.org/conference](http://bahaichair.org/conference)**

### **September 29: Black Feminist Thoughts -- Professor Dawn Dow**

The Critical Race Initiative will kick off its Black Feminist Thoughts series with a brown bag presentation by Dr. Dawn Dow on Thursday, September 29. Dow, an Assistant Professor of Sociology, is currently working on a book manuscript examining how African American middle-class mothers view and make decisions about work and family and how they approach parenting their children. Professor Dow's talk will focus on "Conducting Intersectional Research: Challenges, Opportunities, and Strategies." The Black Feminist Thoughts series centers on work inspired by the legacy of Black women intellectuals.



**Location: 2115 Parren J. Mitchell Building**

**Time: Thursday, September 29, 12:00 noon**

### **September 29: WORLDWISE: Claudia Rankine in Conversation with Sheri Parks**

Award-winning poet Claudia Rankine joins Professor Sheri Parks for a conversation on the role of public education, specifically art, in the making of American democracy. The event combines a reading from the poet's *New York Times* best-seller *Citizen: An American Lyric*, and a discussion in which Rankine engages audience members on themes related to race, art and citizen making.



**Location:** The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.  
**Time:** 5:30- 7:30pm. Free but ticket required. **More information, click [here](#).**

## *Spotlight*

### ***Novak Family TerpStart Endowed Scholarship in LGBT Studies Awarded to Sarah Stephens***

The Novak Family TerpStart Endowed Scholarship is awarded to a student in the LGBT Studies certificate or minor program. The Department of Women's Studies announces that the 2016-17 recipient of the scholarship is **Sarah Stephens**, a Sociology major pursuing a Certificate in LGBT Studies.

Sarah, who received her Associate of Arts in Sociology from Georgia State University Perimeter College, writes, "I am proud to be both a nontraditional student and a graduate of a two-year institution." She plans to continue to graduate school with the goal of becoming a professor and conducting social psychological research. She says it was her LGBT200 course which helped her frame her research interest: studying intimate partner violence (IPV) and sexual violence through a non-binary gender lens. "Much of the current knowledge in this area is gathered from a cisgender, heteronormative perspective, which does not speak to the nuanced and multi-layered experiences of the LGBT community. As long as we are invisible in research, we will be lacking knowledge we could use to heal ourselves and our relationships. I aim to fill that need. My scholarship and future research are grounded in my experiences, the experiences that others have shared with me, and my observations of the world. I feel incredibly fortunate to be completing my undergraduate degree at UMD, and I am grateful to have the opportunity to pursue LGBT studies."



## *Become a Counselor at the Help Center Hotline*

**Deadline to Call: October 3**

Train to help people dealing with roommate issues, relationship dilemmas, thoughts of suicide, confusion, and other life issues.

Training begins only once a semester, so call 301-314-4357 or stop by 3105 South Campus Dining Hall to set up an interview!

Must be available:  
October 20 from 7:00-9:00 pm and  
October 22 & 23 from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm both days

Requires 1 to 2 semesters of on-the-job training.  
Freshman and Sophomores Only.



The Help Center Hotline is a student-run peer counseling and crisis intervention service on campus.

NOTE: UPDATED TELEPHONE NUMBER TO CALL.

## *Triota (Women's Studies) Honor Society*

**Apply by November 1!**



Membership is open to all UMD students, regardless of major, who have completed at least one Women's Studies, Women's Studies cross-listed, or LGBT Studies course and have at least a 3.0 GPA in Women's Studies/LGBT Studies courses and a minimum cumulative GPA 2.7.

Access the application [here](#) or send an email to [triotamd@gmail.com](mailto:triotamd@gmail.com) to learn more about the Honor Society.

## *Study Abroad Returnee Conference*

LESSONS FROM ABROAD  
Study Abroad Returnee Conference

Have you recently studied, interned, volunteered, or worked abroad? Lessons from Abroad Returnee Conference is a career development and networking event designed to help returnees leverage their time abroad as they enter the job or internship market. There will be opportunities to network with professionals from the Department of State, Capitol Hill, area NGOs, and other potential employers. As well there will be representatives from overseas graduate programs and international affairs and education programs in the DC area.

Learn how to talk about your global experiences and skills in a job application or interview. Bring several copies of your resume -- for potential employers but also there will be an opportunity to have your resume reviewed by career professionals with international work experience.

Registration required. Registration fee of \$15.00 includes lunch and snack.

Dress: business casual. Bring several copies of your resume.

<http://www.lessonsfromabroad.org/greater-dc-area/>

## Hoochie: anthology for feminist studies

**Submission deadline: November 1, 2016**

The editorial staff of Hoochie at Boston University has issued a call for essays, creative writing, and artwork for the first issue of the Hoochie: anthology for feminist studies. This new journal is intended to provide a platform for undergraduates to submit women's studies, feminist, and gender work and be published in a peer-reviewed anthology.

The anthology will be published in print and be available for digital download.

### Submission Guidelines

All submitted work must pertain to women's studies, feminism, or gender. All submitted work must have an abstract (for papers) or summary of the work (for other submissions). Written work must be submitted as a word file, while visual submissions must be submitted either as a .pdf or .tif file. (see additional requirements below)

The deadline for submissions is November 1. To submit your work, send an email to the following address, with work attached:

[hoochie@bu.edu](mailto:hoochie@bu.edu)

Submissions will be reviewed for acceptance by the editorial staff of Hoochie, a group of undergraduate students at Boston University. Notification of acceptance will occur by November 21. Papers may be returned with suggestions for editing and recommendations for resubmission.

Additional submission guidelines for academic papers:

- Submissions must be from current undergraduates or those who have recently graduated.
- There is no length requirement.
- All works referenced must be cited completely and in a consistent format, whichever citation style is used.

Additional submission guidelines for pieces of art and poetry:

- Submissions must be from current undergraduates or those who have recently graduated.

Please direct any questions to Christian Rose, editor of Hoochie, at [hoochie@bu.edu](mailto:hoochie@bu.edu).

## *Laura Nichols Award*

From her arrival at the University of Maryland in 1987 to her retirement in 2014, Laura Nichols was a key staff member in Women's Studies and an important advocate for equality and inclusiveness in the university as a whole. The Laura Nichols Award recognizes undergraduate students who exemplify her commitment to feminist principles and social change through their scholarship, service, activism, and/or creative endeavor. Women's Studies majors and certificates, Black Women's Studies minors, and LGBT Studies certificates and minors are all eligible.

**Applications may be for activist, service, or creative projects that reflect a commitment to social change and the values of equality, inclusion, and justice. Applications may be for work done on-campus or in the wider community.** In some instances awards may be given to support a student research project if it fulfills the goals of the Laura Nichols Award. Students may directly apply or nominations for the Laura Nichols Award may be forwarded by any member of the University community. We especially encourage students to nominate other students whose work they see as especially worthy.

For this inaugural award, applications will be accepted for projects completed within the last 2 years, for ongoing projects, or for projects to be undertaken sometime within the 2016-17 academic year.

Applications/nominations will be accepted for work done by a single student or for a group of students working together in an activist/service/creative endeavor. In the instance that the nomination is for a group of students, the majority must be officially enrolled in one of the departments programs: Women's Studies major or certificate, Black Women's Studies minor, LGBT Studies certificate or minor.

Applicants must be in good academic standing at the time of the application and should submit:

- A 300-500 word statement describing the academic, service, activist, or creative project for which the nomination is being made and, especially, noting the ways in which this project reflects a commitment to social change and the values of equality, inclusion and justice. Please be as specific as possible in describing the work, considering its impact/importance or potential impact/importance, and indicating why it is especially worthy of the Laura Nichols Award.
- If you are proposing a new project: 100-200 word narrative of the applicant's prior work in this area or other qualifications for successfully undertaking the proposed project
- Resume(s)
- Transcript(s) (unofficial is okay)
- Names and contact information for two individuals who could serve as references in relationship to the project

In the case of nominations, the nominator should explain their relation to the student(s) and/or project and should confirm that the student(s) have agreed to be nominated.

**The award carries a certificate and \$600.**

**Applications are due Monday, September 26, by 4:00 p.m.** and should be submitted via email to Professor Elsa Barkley Brown, Director of Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Women's Studies - [barkleyb@umd.edu](mailto:barkleyb@umd.edu).

The recipient(s) will be announced at the department's Fall Gathering on Friday, October 7, 3:00-5:00 pm.

Recipients will be expected to present a discussion of their work at the department's Undergraduate and Research Day, Wednesday, December 7, and to submit to the department a short written report on their project by the end of the semester.

### **Laura Nichols**

As Assistant Director and Academic Advisor, Laura Nichols managed the administrative functions of the department and from 1987 to 2014 advised every Women's Studies major or certificate student; she also advised Black Women's Studies minors. Especially noteworthy was Nichols' work to facilitate students' experiential learning opportunities through internships that had social, economic, educational, and/or political impact on women's lives and that helped students develop the skills to critically analyze their work experiences and practically consider how they might implement feminist models in the workplace. Nichols's dedication to student success-in both their on-campus experiences and beyond-was unwavering, and part of the legacy we hope to preserve through this award.

In addition to the ways that she served the department, Laura Nichols was also an active proponent of equality and inclusiveness in the university as a whole. A longtime member (and 2002-04 chair) of the President's Commission on Women's Issues, Nichols also served on the campus Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence Committee. Throughout 2004 and 2005 she organized surveys and focus groups culminating in a co-authored Center for Leadership and Organizational Change report on campus climate for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender faculty and staff. For this work, she was awarded the 2005 Champion of Our Community award by the LGBT Staff and Faculty Association. Beginning in the late 1990s, Nichols served as a member of the Peer Consulting Network for the Center for Leadership and Organizational Change and today continues in that capacity. A serious Terp, Laura and her four children all attended the University of Maryland.



[Study Abroad Scholarships](#)  
[Alternative Weekends](#)  
[Intern for a Day](#)

***STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS -- Gilman Scholarship and Critical Languages Scholarship***



The GILMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP provides up to \$5,000 for study abroad students with financial need who receive Pell Grants. Last year, 35 University of Maryland students won Gilman Scholarships -- nearly 50% of the UMD applicants!

Eligibility Requirements: US citizen. All majors. Must be studying abroad for at least 4 weeks. Must have FAFSA demonstrated financial need and be receiving a Pell Grant.

Application Deadline: October 4, 2016. This is the deadline for students planning to study abroad in spring 2017 or summer 2017.

The CRITICAL LANGUAGES SCHOLARSHIP is for students who want to study one of these languages: Swahili, Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Russian, Turkish, Indonesian, Hindi, Bangla/Bengali, Persian, Punjabi, Urdu, Azerbaijani in Summer 2017.

Please write to [scholarships@umd.edu](mailto:scholarships@umd.edu) address to receive more information by email and be included in the CLS Resource site on ELMS.

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION: Applicants must be: US Citizens; currently enrolled freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors, or graduate students. A GPA of 3.4 or higher recommended; all majors are eligible. PLEASE NOTE: CLS program in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Persian, and Russian require one or two years of previous study of these languages - for details see: <http://www.clscholarship.org/information-for/applicants>

For more information about the CLS Program, please visit the CLS website at <http://www.clscholarship.org/>

Application Deadline: Mid-November 2016; date to be announced shortly.

## ***ALTERNATIVE WEEKENDS***

Alternative Weekends provide shorter immersion opportunities where students can connect with social issues and community partners in our region. Whether you are just wanting to start your involvement with service-learning or if you have lots of previous experience, Alternative Weekends is for you!

Fall Sessions

*Friday, October 7 - Sunday, October 9 -- Alternative Weekend #3*

*Friday, November 4 - Sunday, November 6 -- Alternative Weekend #4*

[Registration for Fall Sessions is available now! First come, first served!](#)

## ***INTERN FOR A DAY***

The **Intern for a Day** program is back for Fall 2016 with 200+ hosts and 550+ possible shadowing experiences! Specific hosts for Women's Studies majors include:

- National Geographic Society
- Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History
- The Phillips Collection
- Chesapeake Children's Museum
- Teach for America
- Prince George's County Office of Ethics and Accountability
- Maryland General Assembly
- Office of Congressman French Hill
- Multiple law offices
- UMD College of Arts & Humanities
- UMD Education Abroad
- MCPS-TV
- Voice of America
- DC Office of Cable, Television, Film, Music, and Entertainment
- UMD University Human Resources
- Achieving the Dream
- Criminal Justice Policy Foundation
- Wellness House of Annapolis
- And MANY more!

See the full list of hosts and learn more about the program [here](#).

To apply, you must attend one of the following orientation sessions (click the link to RSVP):

- [Monday, October 3, 12-12:30pm](#)
- [Monday, October 3, 4-4:30pm](#)
- [Tuesday, October 4, 12-12:30pm](#)
- [Tuesday, October 4, 4-4:30pm](#)
- [Wednesday, October 5, 12-12:30pm](#)
- [Wednesday, October 5, 4-4:30pm](#)
- [Thursday, October 6, 12-12:30pm](#)
- [Thursday, October 6, 4-4:30pm](#)

After the orientation, you will receive the application, which allows you to rank order your top 5 sites. The deadline to apply is Sunday, October 9th at 11:59pm. Please reach out to [ifad@umd.edu](mailto:ifad@umd.edu) with questions.





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](http://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. To contact Kate Juhl, Career Center Program Director for the College of Arts & Humanities, email [kjuhl@umd.edu](mailto:kjuhl@umd.edu).*

### **[Peace Corps Information Session](#)**

**Tuesday September 27, 4:30-5:30 pm | 3100 Hornbake Library South**

Serving in the Peace Corps is a great way to immerse yourself in a new culture, learn a new language, and have the experience of a lifetime. Join us at the Information Session to learn about Volunteer experiences, have your questions answered, and gain tips to guide you through the application process. For additional information about this event: Contact Anna Holland at [peacecorpsumd@umd.edu](mailto:peacecorpsumd@umd.edu)

### **Peace Corps Office Hours**

**Fridays, 10 am-2 pm | 3100 Hornbake Library South**

Get your peace corps questions answered at the University Career Center every Friday! Sign up here: [careers.umd.edu/peace-corps](http://careers.umd.edu/peace-corps) Questions? Email [peacecorpsumd@umd.edu](mailto:peacecorpsumd@umd.edu)

### **[Law, Legal & Nonprofit Networking Night](#)**

**Tuesday September 27, 6-8 pm | Colony Ballroom, Stamp Student Union**

The Law, Legal & Nonprofit Networking Night connects current students with UMD alumni and employers working in the legal, law enforcement, or nonprofit field in a variety of positions throughout the DC Metro area. Students in attendance will make connections in their fields of interest; learn how to network and job search effectively in Washington, D.C.; market their skills and potentially identify internship and job openings. Professionals will be available to chat individually with students. Over 60% of job seekers cite networking as the most successful strategy when gathering career path information as well as to identify job leads, so don't miss this amazing event. Limited spots are available so [RSVP](#) today! Freshman, Sophomore and Junior level students are especially encouraged to attend.

### **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](http://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](http://Careers4Terps).*

### **Vital Voices Global Partnership**

**Position Type: Fall or Spring Part-Time Internship**

ID#: 143001

Preferred Class: Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Masters Candidate, Doctoral Candidate, Post Doctorate, Recent Grad (up to 1 year out), Alumnus/a (beyond 1 year out)  
Preferred Majors: All Majors  
Location: Washington, DC  
Duration: Flexible  
Hours Per Week: 20 part-time, 40 full-time  
Compensation: Unpaid

**Description:**

Vital Voices Global Partnership is committed to working with women throughout the world to provide them with the tools they need to become leaders in their communities. Through mentoring programs, leadership trainings, and direct support the Innovation and Strategic Investments Department provides credibility, builds capacity and enhances connections from emerging and established women leaders internationally.

Currently accepting applications for the Innovation and Strategic Investments internship position for fall of 2016. Individuals with a demonstrated commitment to international women's advocacy, leadership development, public diplomacy, social entrepreneurship, economic empowerment and civil society development are encouraged to apply. The internship requires an ideal commitment of 40 hours per week for full-time interns, or 20 hours a week for part-time interns. This is an unpaid internship, though Vital Voices will comply with university requirements for internship credit.

**Qualifications**

- Interest in and knowledge of global women's issues, international development, using social media for social change and women's leadership
- Excellent writing and editing skills
- Excellent communications and digital media skills
- Experience developing social media campaigns and using content and contact management platforms a plus
- Strong research and analytical skills
- Computer literacy (Excel, online portal management, and document formatting skills preferred)
- Strong organizational skills and administrative capabilities, with experience in coordinating travel a plus
- Self starter with ability to work independently
- Meticulous attention to detail

**Application deadline: September 26**

**Freedom House**

**Position Type: Fall or Spring Part-Time Internship**

ID#: 143386

Preferred Class: Junior, Senior, Masters Candidate, Recent Grad (up the 1 year out), Alumnus/a (beyond 1 year out)

Preferred Majors: All majors

Location: Washington, DC

Duration: Unspecified

Hours Per Week: Unspecified

Compensation: Unpaid

Description: Freedom House promotes the spread of freedom and democracy around the world through research, advocacy, and programs that support frontline activists. We are seeking an Intern

to provide administrative and programmatic support to the Program Manager and/or Regional Specialist(s), as well as assist with background research and basic analysis. They will have the opportunity to assist our Emergency Assistance Program to counter the rising trend of state and non-state actors directly threatening civil society worldwide by working directly with civil society organizations and human rights defenders on the ground. This position is based in Washington, DC and reports to one of the Program Managers for Emergency Assistance Programs.

Qualifications:

- Current college or graduate student (minimum junior in undergrad)
- Knowledge of Eastern Europe and Central Asia and/or African Great Lakes Region human rights landscape
- Familiarity with Microsoft Excel and other Office tools
- Ability to work with sensitive data discreetly
- Experience in research-related writing
- Strong language skills in Russian or another Eurasian language preferred; ability to communicate in Arabic or Farsi is an asset

**Application deadline: September 30, 2016**

## **Women for Women International**

**Position Type: Fall or Spring Part-Time Internship**

ID#: 143947

Preferred Class: Senior, Masters Candidate, Recent Grad (up to 1 year out)

Preferred Majors: Arts and Humanities, Behavioral and Social Sciences, Business, Public Policy

Job Function: Management/Administration, Marketing/Sales, Research

Location: Washington, DC

Duration: Unspecified

Hours Per Week: 15-20

Compensation: \$10 daily stipend for transportation/ lunch

Description:

Women for Women International supports the most marginalized women in countries affected by conflict and war. Our twelve-month training program allows women to earn and save money, improve health and well-being, influence decisions in their home and community, and connect to networks for support. By utilizing skills, knowledge, and resources, women are able to create sustainable change for themselves, their families, and their communities.

The Fall 2016 Business Development Intern will assist the Global Programs Unit in business development by researching USG funding agencies and other donors, assisting in proposal development tasks and conducting research for new business opportunities. The intern will contribute to specific projects under the supervision of the Business Development Director.

This is an excellent opportunity for graduate students looking to obtain additional experience in the not-for-profit space, and the inner workings on an international nonprofit grassroots women's development organization.

Responsibilities:

- Background research for business development
- Compiling information about potential NGO and finding partners for Country offices
- Assist the Global Programs Unit in business development
- Support input and analysis of data in our monitoring and evaluation system as well as program log frames
- Liaise with other departments such as marketing and communications

- Participate in business development related meetings and conduct follow up

#### Qualifications

- Student of/ Candidate for a master's degree in international development or a related field
- Strong research and critical thinking skills
- Ability to work interdependently and communicate with people
- Experience working in an office environment

**Application deadline: September 30**

### **National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty**

Position Type: Internship (Fall or Spring Part-Time), Co-op (Fall or Spring Full-Time)

ID#: 143733

Preferred Class: Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Masters Candidate

Preferred Majors: All Majors

Job Function: Communication, Other

Location: Washington, DC

Description: The National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty is seeking a motivated, highly organized undergraduate student or recent college graduate to intern with the Law Center during Fall 2016. The internship will provide the student with the opportunity to learn about homelessness and poverty in the United States while developing his/her fundraising, event management, research, communications and outreach skills.

Responsibilities May Include the Following:

- \* Create copy for and make regular updates to the Law Center website, social media and new media outlets, and digital publications
- \* Develop and maintain media lists
- \* Track media coverage of the Law Center
- \* Update the Law Center's social networking pages
- \* Assist with direct mail efforts
- \* Assist with organization of events
- \* Assist with support/outreach/registration for training's
- \* Assist with prospect research for current and potential prospects
- \* Assist with management of electronic and physical files
- \* Provide administrative support to the Development and Communications staff
- \* Research innovative development strategies & analyze the efficacy of the Law Center communication tools.

Duration: 8-10 weeks

Hours Per Week: Unspecified

Compensation: Unpaid

Qualifications: The ideal candidate will be a mature, organized, detail-oriented undergraduate, graduate, or recent graduate with a passion for social justice, an eye for detail, and a desire to develop research and communications skills while learning about non-profit development. Applicants should possess strong oral, written and organizational skills, as well as prior work experience with social media tools, data management tools, and Internet and other research tools. The internship is unpaid.

**Application deadline: October 14, 2016**

### **National Museum of Women in the Arts**

Position Type: Internship (Fall or Spring Part-Time)

ID#: 145177

Preferred Class: Junior, Senior, Masters Candidate

Preferred Majors: Arts and Humanities, Communication, English

Job Function: Communication, Marketing/ Sales

Duration: Unspecified  
Hours Per Week: 24-40  
Compensation: Unpaid  
Location: Washington, D.C.

Description: The Public Programs Intern will work with NMWA staff in supporting Women, Arts, and Social Change (WASC), the museum's new public program initiative focused on women and the arts as catalysts for change. Programming under the new initiative includes a series of FRESH TALKS conversations and audience engagement events with artists, designers, and innovators on social justice topics.

Qualifications:

- \* Completed sophomore year of college
- \* Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- \* Professional, friendly, and positive demeanor
- \* Ability to work independently and cooperatively
- \* Very strong organization skills and attention to detail
- \* Ability to multi-task and ability to adapt to sudden changes in details and responsibilities
- \* Ability to handle high-stress events
- \* Experience with Microsoft Office suite (experience with Raiser's Edge database is a plus)
- \* Interest in special events, non-profit development work, and/or the arts

**Application deadline: October 15, 2016**

### **Child Advocacy & Women's Rights Int'l**

Position Type: Fall or Spring Part-Time Internship  
ID#: 144883

Preferred Class: Junior, Senior, Masters Candidate

Preferred Majors: Arts and Humanities/ Communication, Education/ Early Childhood Education, Journalism, Undeclared

Job Function: Writing, web, social media

Location: Washington, DC

Duration: 1 semester

Hours Per Week: 18 minimum

Compensation: Unpaid

Description: Candidates should have an interest in child advocacy, women's/human rights, as well as social justice and philanthropy. All interns are required to think critically; they should be dependable, punctual, and able to work both independently and as part of a team.

One of CAWRI's focuses is to aid our partner in Afghanistan submit projects in the area of women's rights, health education, and development/vocational education.

The Social Media/ Web Development Interns will update the website content using WordPress, write blogs based on current events and projects, and raise awareness of organization through social media.

The Fundraising and Development Interns will organize innovative fundraisers, identify grant opportunities, canvas local universities for students interested in our work, and attend events in the area related to our cause.

The Project Development Interns will assist the executive director by remaining in constant communication with our field office and partner in Afghanistan, research prospective projects, write LOI's and project proposals that will be sent to donors and foundations, and maintain existing projects.

**Application Deadline: October 31**

## **National Organization for Women (NOW)**

Position Type: Internship (Fall or Spring Part-Time)

ID#: 146129

Preferred Class: Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Masters Candidate

Preferred Majors: All Majors

Job Function: Other

Location: Washington, DC

Description: NOW is the largest, most comprehensive feminist advocacy group in the United States with hundreds of thousands of contributing members and hundreds of state and local chapters across all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Our mission is to bring women into full participation in society - sharing equal rights, responsibilities and opportunities with men, while living free from discrimination.

Duties:

Interns will work with one of the following teams:

### *President's Office*

President's Office interns will learn firsthand how a grassroots activist organization works by working directly with NOW's President and her assistant.

Assist with staffing the president at speaking events

Attend meetings relating to NOW's policies and initiatives

Assist in planning rallies and any other NOW events

Facilitate communication among members of the National Board

Work to create a welcoming and effective office environment

Support NOW's ongoing historical preservation project

Help develop and manage collaborative, long-term intern projects

### *Vice President's Office:*

Vice President's Office interns will work closely with the Vice President to elect the first woman president to the United States by coordinating Ms. President NOW Campaigns at the National Action Center and throughout the country.

Communicate with NOW chapters and activists

Assist with Ms. President NOW Campaign efforts

Write endorsements for candidates on behalf of NOW

Staff the Vice President at meetings and events

### *Communications:*

Communications interns are responsible for assisting NOW's Communications Assistants with all social media related material. Interns will also research, draft, and edit articles for NOW's various publications.

Help manage social media pages for NOW: moderating comments, creating weekly content focused on the news, historical events, and activist campaigns

Support other departments through social media and outreach

Track media hits and update press clips on website

Analyze social media data and performance

Take photographs at events when appropriate

### *Policy and Grassroots Outreach:*

Policy and Grassroots Outreach interns aid the Policy & Grassroots Outreach Team in implementing NOW's Strategic Action Program. They help research, create, and distribute material to NOW's state organizations and local chapters.

Draft materials for activist toolkits

Create content for campaign microsites  
Research new legislation and policy recommendations relevant to the Strategic Action Program  
Attend planning meetings with members of the national board

*Government Relations/Public Policy*

Interns 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.

Track of current legislation and news stories

Conduct daily research on a variety of women's issues, and write memos or briefs on various legislation and events that pertain to NOW

Write informational blog posts that educate the online community on NOW's positions on a variety of issues, including: women's reproductive rights, economic justice, racial justice, and constitutional equality.

Attend and report on Capitol Hill briefings

*Fundraising and Development:*

Fundraising and Development interns will learn highly marketable skills for the non-profit world by assisting the Fundraising Manager to retain and expand our donor base and improve NOW's diverse fundraising efforts.

Research donor engagement strategies and best practices

Draft and proofread content for donor communications

Research potential foundation and individual support, and update profiles in the donor database

Manage aspects of the donor acknowledgement program

*Political Action Committee*

Interns will have the opportunity to be involved with NOW's PAC organizing.

Process endorsement requests

Research candidates' records on women's rights issues

Attend PAC related meetings

*Salary:*

NOW offers unpaid internship opportunities, both full and part time, throughout the year. College credit for these internships can be arranged.

Duration: Spring semester

Hours Per Week: Minimum of 15 hours per week

Compensation: Unpaid

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 communities. A minimum of 15 hours per week is required. Full time interns are preferred for summer.

**Application deadline: November 1, 2016**

**Additional Internships and Jobs**

**The Fund for the Public Interest** is a national non-profit organization that works to build support for progressive organizations across the country. This year, the Fund is working with the Human

Rights Campaign on a campaign to build public support for the Equality Act, a federal bill that would prohibit discrimination against LGBT people in employment, housing, and education. Right now, people risk being fired or losing their homes in 28 states for being lesbian, gay, or bisexual and in 30 states for being trans.

The Fund is hiring students as paid staff to help with this campaign and with citizen outreach work this fall. As paid campaign staff, students will build grassroots power, learn the building blocks of political organizing, and work closely with senior staff management team. Both part-time and full-time positions available.

To learn more about the available positions, click [here](#).

**The U.S. Department of State Summer 2017 Student Internship Program (unpaid)** is accepting applicants!

Please visit [here](#) for more information about the program and to start the online application process via USAJobs. We highly encourage you to complete and submit your application as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or would like to search for topics of interest, please visit our [forums](#) or [FAQs 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

## *Quote of the Week*

"Those who do not move, do not notice their chains."

-Rosa Luxemburg

---

## Stay Connected

