



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Undergraduate Program Newsletter

February 2009

Important Spring Semester Deadlines

Monday	Feb 16	First day of Summer Term registration
Monday	Mar 2	Sign up sheets posted for Fall registration appointments by WWPH 4701
Friday	Mar 6	Last day for monitored withdrawal from a Spring class
Thursday	Mar 19	First day of Fall registration for seniors (≥ 84 credits by end of spring term)
Monday	Mar 23	First day of Fall registration for non-seniors
Friday	Mar 27	Last day to apply for August 2008 graduation without late fee
Friday	Apr 10	Last day to withdraw from Spring classes with Dean's permission

Registration for Summer Sessions Monday, February 16th

Registration will be done during regular office hours: 9:30 - 3:30.

Registration for Fall 2009 begins Thursday, March 20th

Sign up sheets for Fall registration appointments will be posted Monday, March 2nd, at 9:00 a.m., on the bulletin board next to 4701 WWPH

Students who will have completed 84 credits by the end of the spring term register as seniors.

We will register students by appointment from March 19th through 25th. After that, registration will be done during regular office hours.

Preparing for your registration appointment

- 1) Sign up for an appointment.
- 2) Print your academic advisement transcript from PeopleSoft and check to see which requirements you still need to fulfill.
****Note:** There are some reasons that your advisement report may not accurately reflect your degree progress, including study abroad, transfer credits and programming errors. Consult the Economics Advisors if you think the report is incorrect.
- 3) Use the Arts and Sciences website to search for spring courses which meet these requirements: <http://www.courses.as.pitt.edu/>. **Summer** term is **2097**. **Fall** term is **2101**.
- 4) Use the Schedule of Classes in PeopleSoft to search for classes that meet at a particular time.
- 5) Check your account at my.pitt.edu for holds that would prevent you from registering.
- 6) See the advisor before registration week if you have any questions or want some advice.

February Events

Spring Job/Internship Fair

**Wednesday and Thursday, February 11th and 12th, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
William Pitt Union**

This event is free for University of Pittsburgh students and alumni from all majors. No pre-registration is needed. This is a great opportunity to meet with employers. Companies will be looking for candidates for internships and full-time positions. Bring resumes and dress to impress. See <http://www.hire.pitt.edu/events/career-fairs/index.php> for a list of companies who will attend.

PREPARE FOR THE JOB FAIR

Internship workshop: Tuesday, February 3rd, 12:00 – 1:00 pm, 310 WPU

How do you get the experience that employers want? How can you “try a career out” before committing to it? Find out where to look and how to apply for internships. Get the skinny on what all the hype is about and why internships are so important.

Job Search workshop: Tuesday, February 3rd, 4:00 – 5:00 pm, 310 WPU

An effective job search is much more than filling out online applications. Learn what successful job-seekers know: how to focus on your career goal, match your skills with employers’ needs, communicate effectively with employers, and network with professionals in your field. We will be sharing resources such as FutureLinks and the Pitt Career Network that are available to you free of charge. Whether it’s your first or your next job search, this workshop will help you be more successful and confident.

Register for either program on Future Links - Career Services community on my.pitt.edu.

☆ PANTHER'S SHADOW ☆

Job shadowing is a one day observation experience where you go to the workplace of an alumnus/ alumna and follow him /her through the day at an agreed upon date during spring break. There are over 100 alumni in a wide variety of jobs offering to host a student.

To apply, go to the career services job shadowing website and review the potential alumni mentors: <http://www.careers.pitt.edu/services/PanthersShadow.html> Application deadline is February 20th. You will be matched to an alumnus/ alumna by February 27th.



Speed networking for internships



The Regional Internship Center will host an internship networking event at William Pitt Union from 5:30 - 8:30 P.M. on Tuesday, February 17th. Meet with representatives from local businesses, government, and non-profits who are looking for summer interns.

RSVP to ricintern@gmail.com.



Pizza and the Professor



Join the Undergraduate Economics Society for an enlightening afternoon with Professor Alexis Leon, Friday, February 6, 12:00 noon. in WWPB 4700. Dr. Leon will speak about labor economics and the current economic situation. Pizza and soft drinks will be provided by the Economics Department. Please RSVP to Jason Engelmann, president of the UES at jpe6@pitt.edu.

\$\$ Make money in economics experiments \$\$

The Pittsburgh Experimental Economics Laboratory is looking for students to participate in economics experiments. Participants earn money for their efforts. If you are interested, sign up on their website: <http://www.peel.pitt.edu/>.



UHC Friday Afternoon Lecture



"Transformation of the Pittsburgh Regional Economy" a talk by economist Christopher Briem of the University Center for Social and Urban Research,. February 6th, 2:15 p.m. in 3500 CL.

Few regions have suffered as much job destruction as Pittsburgh has in recent decades. Significant changes have been forced on the regional economy since the 1980's. This talk will cover the recent history of this area and the transformation that has taken place here, as well as prospects for how the region can be expected to fare in the ongoing recession. Economist Christopher Briem's important work focuses on regional economic and demographic forecasting and simulation, industry analysis and competitiveness research. His ongoing projects include economic forecasts for Allegheny County and the Pittsburgh region, analysis of migration trends in this area, analysis of local government finances and fragmentation and the impact of demographic changes on the regional economy.



New Spring Class



"ChinaToday" a Collaboration with CMU and La Roche College. A new one credit, one weekend class titled "China Today: Ethnicity, Education and Innovation " Mar. 20 - Mar. 22, 2009 will be open to Pitt, CMU and La Roche College students. For more information including a full schedule and instructions for registration, please see the course website: <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/asc/chinatoday/>



2009 Pennsylvania Leadership Conference



Student Leadership Conference March 27, 28, 2009, Four Points Sheraton, Harrisburg, PA. Student scholarships are available. Additional financial aid is available from the Commonwealth Foundation. Please contact the foundation at info@commonwealthfoundation.org or the Pennsylvania Leadership Council at (717) 232-5919 for more information.

Future Leaders Luncheon to be held on Saturday, March 28th at 12 p.m. featuring the following speakers: Honorable Thomas Corbett, (PA Attorney General), Honorable James Gerlach, (Congressman), Honorable Patrick Meehan (Former U.S. Attorney). The MC will be David N. Taylor of the PA Manufacturers' Association. Register <http://www.paleadershipconference.org>

Internships

Summer Consulting Internship

Deloitte & Touche

Deloitte Consulting's BTA Summer Scholar Sophomore program is a unique summer opportunity for students. During the 10-week internship you will work with a team of fellow interns and Deloitte Consulting professionals on a strategic technology project. Your internship will enhance not only your consulting skills, but also your teaming and networking skills. During your time as a Summer Scholar you will participate in a number of internship and office-wide activities.

Apply on-line <http://careers.deloitte.com/united-states/students/opportunities.aspx?UniqueID=6715912000005552010>

Internship

Charles G. Koch Foundation

The Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation Internship Program was established to develop the next generation of liberty-minded leaders and entrepreneurs. The program offers promising leaders and entrepreneurs the opportunity to work on significant assignments within non-profit organizations while learning and applying Market-Based Management®. Interns are based in Washington, D.C., and spend four days each week at non-profit organizations working in full-time positions and one day each week at the Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation immersed in a Market-Based Management curriculum. Summer interns are paid \$13 per hour. Apply by March 16, 2009. To apply, go to <http://www.cgkfoundation.com/internship.asp>.

Internship

The New England Public Policy Center (Boston Fed)

The Federal Reserve Bank of Boston's 2009 Summer Internship Program runs from June 1st to August 22nd (twelve weeks, full time). The Fed places graduate and undergraduate students in positions throughout the Bank. Applicants for the program must have completed their sophomore year of studies. It is imperative that students include their current cumulative GPA (3.2 and above), year of graduation, course of study, as well as computer skills. Currently undergraduates receive \$11.70 per hour for sophomores, \$14.50 per hour for juniors, \$14.80 for senior. Apply by February 28th, 2009. For more details, see <http://www.bos.frb.org/about/employment/internships.htm>.

Summer Policy Internship

Atlanta, GA

Offered by the Department of Economics at the Georgia State University's Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, the summer policy internship is a seven-week learning program for undergraduate students entering their senior year. Interns work with faculty members on policy research projects in the school's research centers. Interns receive a \$3,300 stipend for the seven-week period. Apply by March 13, 2009. To apply, see <http://aysps.gsu.edu/intern/>

Internship

Congressional Budget Office

CBO summer internships provide excellent opportunities to experience and observe the budget process and policymaking at the federal level. The internships, which have ranged in number from 10 to 28, are located in Washington, D.C. They normally last 10 weeks and include compensation based on academic level and work experience.

All CBO summer internships require solid writing skills and the ability to communicate clearly and concisely. Familiarity with computer programming, statistics, econometrics, and other quantitative methods is desirable. Ideal candidates would also have exceptional interpersonal and analytical skills. Application deadline is March 2, 2009. To apply, see

<http://www.cbo.gov/employment/intern.cfm>

Summer Internship**Philadelphia Fed**

Summer Internship opportunities will be available (June-August) in various business areas of the Bank including: Financial Management Services; Economic Research; Audit; Supervision, Regulation and Credit; and Information Technology Services.

Applicants are required to complete their junior year of college by late May or early June. Strong academic record as well as a demonstrated interest in accounting, banking, business, economics, finance, information technology or public policy are required. Excellent interpersonal, written communication and PC skills are essential. Applicants must be available for interviews in March and April. Apply on-line at <http://www.philadelphiafed.org/careers/>

Internship**Dow Jones Newswires - Asia Pacific**

This program is designed for students to learn just what it means to be at the front-line in a fast-paced financial newswire environment. Those selected will spend the summer in one of Dow Jones Newswires bureaus located across the Asia-Pacific region. Our interns act as general assistants in our busy news bureaus. We are seeking applications from college or graduate students, and will give preference to those who have an interest in or knowledge of business journalism and the ability to speak an Asian language.

Apply by February 28, 2009 http://www.dowjones.com/Careers/Internships/DJNAsia_Intern.htm

Paid Internship**USDA, Economic Research Service**

Interns at the USDA's Economic Research Service will assist senior economists with their research in Washington, D.C. Application deadline: March 6, 2009.

For info, see <http://www.ers.usda.gov/AboutERS/Employment/SummerEmployment/2009EconomicsPositions.htm>

Research Internship**Institute for Women's Policy Research**

The Institute for Women's Policy Research conducts rigorous research and disseminates its findings to address the needs of women, promote public dialogue, and strengthen families, communities, and societies. IWPR, an independent, non-profit, research organization also works in affiliation with the graduate programs in public policy and women's studies at The George Washington University. Interns will provide administrative and research support to researchers.

Duties include: assisting with literature reviews and data collection; designing charts, graphs and tables; answering phones; and filing. Qualifications: Strong organizational skills, good interpersonal skills, interest in policy research and women's issues; exp. with statistics, economics or social sciences through coursework. Apply by March 2, 2009. For details, see <http://www.iwpr.org/About/employment.htm#internships>

Paid Internship**PPG Industries**

PPG has three month summer internships available in many of its business divisions, for details, see http://ppg.hodesiq.com/corporate/careers/job_detail.asp?JobID=1476883&user_id

Procurement Internship**Bayer - Business and Technology Services**

Our Procurement department is currently seeking an intern for the summer semester at our Pittsburgh, PA location. Relocation assistance will not be provided. The primary responsibility of this role is to provide procurement and operational support working with the head of the department and the travel manager. Apply at <http://bayer.taleo.net/careersection/2/jobdetail.ftl>

Richard J. Riordan 2009 Summer Intern Program **Public Policy Institute of California**

The Richard J. Riordan Summer Intern Program at PPIC provides an opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students interested in a public policy career to work in a policy research environment. Intern projects are proposed by PPIC researchers and designed around a specific set of tasks and deliverables that can be accomplished within the term of the internship. Apply by March 13, 2009. For details, see <http://www.ppic.org:80/main/position.asp?i=1201>

Teacher/Advisor/Mentor/ Role Model **Summerbridge Pittsburgh**

Summerbridge Pittsburgh provides a life-changing academic experience that increases the odds that Greater Pittsburgh Middle School students will go to college. We are seeking a diverse group of talented college students willing to commit 9 weeks of their summer creating an intense, inspiring, and academically rigorous learning community that will provide our educationally at-risk students with the support that they need to be successful in high school, college and beyond. Applications can be found online <http://summerbridge.sewickley.org>

Job openings

Research Assistant **Mathematica Policy Research Inc.**

Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. (MPR) is a nationally recognized firm that conducts domestic social policy research on health care, welfare, education, labor, and other related topics. We are seeking Research Assistant/Programmers to prepare and analyze data using SAS or similar software packages. The successful candidates may work in either our Princeton, New Jersey; Washington, DC; Ann Arbor, Michigan; Oakland, California or our Cambridge, Massachusetts office locations.

For details, see <https://careers.mathematica-mpr.com/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/frameset.jsp?time=1234218888986>

Koch Foundation Associate **Washington, D.C.**

The Koch Associate Program was established to identify up-and-coming leaders and entrepreneurs interested in liberty and help them develop the knowledge, skills, and experience necessary for careers with market-oriented think tanks, policy institutes, and other non-profit organizations.

During the year-long program, each Associate works in a full-time, competitively paid position, while also receiving valuable management training in a seminar setting one day out of each week.

This unique format provides the Associates with both the practical work experience and developmental instruction that will benefit their professional careers moving forward..

There are many positions specifically designed for Economics majors still available for next year's program, including roles working in policy research, policy analysis, economic research, government watch, and state policy analysis.

To apply, see <http://www.cgkfoundation.org/associate-program/>

Teacher **Teach for America**

Teach For America aims to end educational inequity—the reality that in our country where a child is born determines his or her educational outcomes and, in turn, life prospects. Our mission is to build the movement to eliminate educational inequity by enlisting our nation's most promising future leaders in the effort. Our vision is that one day, all children in this nation will have the opportunity to attain an excellent education

Apply by February 13th. For details, see www.teachforamerica.org.

Think Summer !

Top Ten Summer Experiences for Econ Majors

10. Do Research
9. Study Abroad
8. Attend an Academic Program
7. Do Community Service
6. Intern
5. Take Classes at Pitt
4. Take Classes Somewhere Else
3. Learn a Language
2. Watch TV for Credit
1. Go West Young Man ! (or Woman !)

10. Do Research

Summer is a great time to work on a research project outside of class. Feel free to discuss your research ideas with the Economics Advisors. We can point you in the direction of faculty who are interested in similar fields. You can arrange an independent study project with a faculty member and register for Econ 1901: Independent Study.

To fund your summer, you can apply for a research fellowship sponsored by the School of Arts and Sciences or the Honors College. They provide a stipend to cover living expenses:

Arts and Sciences Summer Undergraduate Research Awards for Summer 2009

Arts and Sciences is looking for applicants to join a diverse community of undergraduate scholars and researchers from the humanities, natural, and social sciences. Awardees receive \$3,500 to support a summer term of independent research and scholarship.

Awardees will participate in the Honors College Brackenridge Summer Fellowship program weekly round table discussions and Johnstown retreat. Awardees will present their finished projects at the Brackenridge presentations.

Applications are due by Tuesday, March 3, 2009. Apply at

<http://www.as.pitt.edu/undergraduate/experience/summer-awards.html>

Brackenridge Summer Fellowship

This program supports University of Pittsburgh undergraduates conducting independent research projects and a roundtable discussion of progress in a weekly seminar in the summer months. Students also are encouraged to participate in informal workshops, typically initiated by the fellows themselves, which allow the fellows to further discuss their research projects. All participants receive a stipend of \$3,500 to assure their freedom from employment, so that major commitments to seminar responsibilities in the summer can be assured. The fellowship is open to undergraduates from any field and any class, including freshmen as well as seniors. The application deadline is March 6, 2009. Apply at <http://www.honorscollege.pitt.edu/opportunities/brackenridge.html>

The University Center for International Studies has funding available for research expenses for international projects:

International Studies Fund

The International Studies Fund (ISF) is intended to help students at the University of Pittsburgh to conduct research on international issues or in international settings.

“International” is defined as relating to another country or culture, comparative analysis covering more than one country or culture, studies of international relations or of transnational activities, or studies which examine topics related to global issues.

ISF grants may not be used for tuition, language study, internships and other non-research related expenses. Conference, workshop or symposium travel is not eligible for funding under the ISF program.

The application deadline is March 15. For details and to apply, see <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/main/isf.html>

9. Study Abroad

There are many study abroad opportunities during the summer months, ranging from two weeks to the full summer. Start your search at the Study abroad office website:

<http://www.abroad.pitt.edu/>

Please note that the deadline to have summer programs approved by the study abroad office is February 13, 2009.

Impact of the European Union and Globalization: Czech Republic and Poland

A Field Trip Abroad course to Prague and Krakow for students who have taken Econ 1050 / Hist 1045 Socialism and Capitalism or students who have an interest in Eastern Europe with permission from Prof. Donnorummo.

This program will focus on issues in the contemporary Czech Republic and Poland. These themes will be explored through guest lectures by academic, political and economic leaders in Prague and Krakow; field trips to sites of interest; daily lectures by Dr. Donnorummo; selected readings and short paper assignments. <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/crees/CzechPolandIFTA2009.pdf>

Here are some programs which offer courses which may count towards fulfilling economics major requirements:

London School of Economics

<http://www.lse.ac.uk/collections/summerSchool/>

Harvard Summer Program in Istanbul, Turkey

<http://www.summer.harvard.edu/2009/programs/abroad/turkey/>

Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration

<http://www.wu-wien.ac.at/isc/summeruniversity/isuwien/academicprogram>

Harvard Summer School in Venice

<http://www.summer.harvard.edu/2009/programs/abroad/venice/>

George Washington University in Shanghai

<http://www.studyabroad.gwu.edu/ShortTermPrograms/china3.cfm>

8. Attend an Academic Summer Program in Economics or a related field:

The American Economic Association Summer Program and Minority Scholarship Program

The AEA Summer Program seeks to prepare talented undergraduates for doctoral programs in Economics and related disciplines, by offering a unique opportunity for students to gain technical skills in Economics, and conduct research with prominent faculty. All US citizens, permanent residents and refugees are eligible to apply for scholarship assistance; however, preference is given to members of underrepresented minority groups historically disadvantaged in the US context, and who have demonstrated financial need. The purpose of the Minority Scholarship is to increase the number of African-Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans with doctorates in Economics.

The Summer Program is exceptionally demanding. Designed to be taken for either one or two summers, it provides courses in economic theory, mathematics, statistics, and econometrics, as well as research seminars intended to acquaint students with pressing issues and methods of analysis.

For information, see <http://econ.ucsb.edu/aeastp/>. The application deadline is March 15th.

Summer Economics Program at University of Miami, sponsored by the NSF

Although roughly 12% of Bachelor's degrees in Economics are earned by African Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans, only about 5% of recent Economics doctorates received by US citizens have been earned by these minorities.

The Summer Program seeks to prepare talented undergraduates for doctoral programs in Economics, by offering a unique opportunity for students to gain technical skills in Economics, and conduct research with prominent faculty. The purpose of this summer program is to increase the number of African-Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans with doctorates in Economics.

The Summer Program itself is a demanding one. It provides mathematical training, GRE preparation, and research seminars intended to acquaint students with pressing issues and methods of analysis. Accepted students will have the possibility to attend national conferences to present their research, receive additional training, and network with their peers in the field. Students themselves also form a critical network. In effect, they will be able to form a mutually-supportive team that is of great value during the initial years of doctoral programs, and which is an extraordinary network of professional contacts in the long run as well.

Application deadline March 1, 20089: <http://www6.miami.edu/grad/summerresearch/apply.html>

The Summer Institute in Biostatistics

If you like mathematics or statistics and would like to learn how to apply methods to investigate important health issues, then the Summer Institute for Training in Biostatistics is ideal for you.

Participants in the six-week program will learn the principles of applied biostatistics from recognized experts in the field and meet practicing biostatisticians, epidemiologists and statistical geneticists and learn about their work. They will gain hands-on experience working with actual data and see the historical sights of Boston, meet new people, and have lots of fun.

There are no fees or tuition costs associated with participation in the Summer Institute for Training in Biostatistics. All housing, meals and extracurricular activities are covered. Participants will earn 4 college credits.

To apply, see <http://sph.bu.edu/sibs>. The application deadline is March 6, 20089.

Summer Research Initiative, University of Maryland, Behavioral and Social Sciences

The eight-week program will be held on the University of Maryland, College Park campus from June 2 through July 25, 2008. All students who will be rising juniors or seniors in Summer 2008 are eligible for the Summer Research Initiative. Events and activities will showcase five main programmatic themes including lab and research experiences, didactic science lectures, professional development, mentoring, and networking. Participants will work side-by-side with a faculty mentor on a guided research project, attend weekly seminars and visit local research institutions in the Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia area. Finally, students will present their work at a poster session at the end of the program. The University of Maryland has a strong institutional commitment to the principle of diversity. In that spirit, we are very interested in receiving applications from a broad spectrum of individuals, specifically African American, Hispanic, and American Indian students. Students will be provided round-trip air fare, room and board in University on-campus housing and a stipend. For best consideration, all application materials must be submitted no later than February 13, 2009.

<http://www.bsos.umd.edu/diversity/summer-research-initiative.aspx>

Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Summer Policy Research Internships

This program, funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF), is offered by the Department of Economics at the Georgia State University's Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. The summer policy internship is a seven-week learning program for undergraduate students entering their senior year. Interns work with faculty members on policy research projects in the school's research centers. Interns receive a stipend.

Internships are available for a select number of students who have demonstrated overall academic achievement, as well as an interest in an area of public policy. Areas of study include environmental economics, international economics, state and local governance, public financial management, education and education reform, health care, and many other topics vital to a functioning society. Apply by March 13, 2009. For details, see

<http://aysps.gsu.edu/econ/1639.html>

Humanity in Action Summer Fellowship Program

The HIA Fellowship brings together university students from the United States and Europe for a rigorous, interdisciplinary inquiry into human rights, diversity, and minority issues. Students participate in the five-week fellowship in one of six different countries: Denmark, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, or the United States.

Upon completing the fellowship, Fellows join an active international network of young professionals and are eligible for internship opportunities at the United States Congress, European Parliament, International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, and other civic and political institutions.

HIA will select 56 matriculated sophomores, juniors, and seniors from American colleges and universities to participate in these five-week programs. Recent university graduates (May 2007 or later) are also eligible to apply.

For more information, visit the organization website at <http://humanityinaction.org/>, where you can also download application materials.

7. Do Community Service

Do good and earn academic credit at the same time. If you are looking for an opportunity to explore the world, engage in thought-provoking academics, and serve a community, global service-learning is for you.

Amizade is an organization dedicated to service learning and volunteering around the world. They offer programs this summer are offered in Alabama, Mexico, Bolivia, Ghana, Northern Ireland, Poland, and Tanzania. See <http://www.amizade.org/>

Temple University offers a service learning course focusing on economic development in Jamaica this summer: <http://www.temple.edu/studyabroad/programs/summer/jamaica.html>

Other volunteer opportunities are listed at the Student Volunteer Outreach office: <http://www.svo.pitt.edu/>

For a list of ideas for independent study service learning projects, see: <http://www.fiu.edu/~time4chg/Library/ideas.html>

African American Community Leaders Fellowship

The Coro African American Community Leaders Fellowship, AACL, (formerly known as the Community Problem Solving Fellowship, CPS) invites African American college students studying in the Pittsburgh area to engage in a full-time, challenging leadership and professional development summer program. The program is intended to expose talented African American students to the professional, economic, and social resources that exist in the region through multi-sector field assignments, seminars, and networking events. For details see: <http://www.coro.org/site/c.muI0LcMOJpE/b.4171681/>

Public Allies

At Public Allies Pittsburgh, we believe changing times call for a new kind of leadership. Since 2006, we've developed young leaders. Allies are young, diverse, and passionate social change makers who support community projects in partnership with hundreds of local nonprofit organizations. For details, see http://www.coro.org/site/c.muI0LcMOJpE/b.2108485/k.9AE5/Public_Allies.htm

6. Intern

Summer internships can be for pay or for credit. Either way, you will gain valuable work experience and improve your resume. There are many internship positions listed this month's newsletter.

For other internship listings, try

Pitt's Career Services' FutureLinks website:

(on my.pitt.edu, select Career Services under the "My Communities" tab.)

Carnegie Library's internship webpage:

<http://www.clpgh.org/research/jobsedu/findingajob.html#internships>

The Regional Internship Center:

<http://www.ric-swpa.org/index.html>

For Federal Government internships, see

<http://makingthedifference.org/federalinternships/directory>

A large list of government and non-profit internships:

<http://scholarships.fatomei.com/internships.html>

A listing of economic development internships:

<http://www.fordham.edu/iped/internship3.html>

5. Take classes at Pitt

The Economics Department is offering all four core theory classes this summer. We are also offering four lower level electives and two upper level electives:

Econ 0200 (Game Theoretic Principles)	Econ 1150 (Applied Econometrics)
Econ 0230 (Public Finance 1)	Econ 1420 (Labor Economics)
Econ 0280 (Money and Banking)	
Econ 0500 (International Trade)	

Most courses are offered in the 6 week or 12 week sessions.

Summer 6-Week-1	May 11 – June 20
Summer 6-Week-2	June 22 – August 1
Summer 12 Week	May 11 – August 1

Registration for summer classes starts February 16th.

Summer course descriptions are at: <http://www.courses.as.pitt.edu/> .

The summer class schedule is available on PeopleSoft: (<http://my.pitt.edu> , Student Services)

4. Taking classes at another college or university

You may take classes at another college or university over the summer and transfer the credits to Pitt with the prior approval of the School of Arts and Sciences. If you want the class to count towards the Economics major, you must also get prior approval from the Economics Department. To get approvals, bring a copy of the course description to the A&S Dean's Office (140 Thackeray) and to the Economics Advising office.

You may only take classes at a two year college if you have earned fewer than 60 credits so far towards your degree. You may not repeat a course at another college that you have already taken here.

3. Learning a Language

Many language departments at Pitt offer intensive summer language courses, so that you can complete two semesters of language study (up to 10 credits) over the summer. You can take Arabic (through the Linguistics department), American Sign Language (also through the Linguistics department), Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, or Spanish this summer.

The Department of Slavic Languages offers a Summer Language Institute, with classes taught both here in Pittsburgh and abroad. They teach Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian (here and in Belgrade, Sarajevo, and Zagreb), Bulgarian (here and in Bulgaria), Czech (here) Hungarian (here), Polish (here and in Poland), Slovak (here and in Slovakia), Russian (here and in Moscow), and Ukrainian. Applications and scholarship information are available on the web at <http://sli.slavic.pitt.edu>. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis; space is limited. 90% of applicants last year received partial or full scholarships. Scholarship application deadline is March 22, 2009.

The Critical Language Scholarships Program, sponsored by the United States government, offers intensive overseas study in the critical need foreign languages of Arabic, Bangla/Bengali, Hindi, Punjabi, Turkish, Urdu, Chinese, Korean, Persian, Russian and Azerbaijani. They offer beginning, intermediate and advanced level summer language programs at American Overseas Research Centers and affiliated partners. All program costs are covered for participants: travel between the student's home city and program location, pre-departure orientation costs, applicable visa fees, room, board, travel within country and all entrance fees for program activities. For details, see <https://clscholarship.org/home.php>.

2. Watch TV for credit:

Take Engflm 1752: Television Analysis. This course increases students' awareness of television as a visual medium and as a cultural force by examining the forms television programming takes and the way these structures influence viewer response. We will examine specific television genres and move through the fictional forms television takes (sitcoms, cop shows, serials, etc.) to "quality" forms of television.

1. Go West Young Man or Woman !

Follow in the steps of Lewis and Clark and explore the West - you can even do it for credit!

The Honors College and the Biology Department offer a course in Yellowstone National Park: BIOSC 0740 or HONORS 1540.

The course will be team taught this summer by three different faculty. It will run for 30 days (June 8 to July 11, 2009). Classes will meet six days a week, beginning immediately after breakfast and ending at dinner. Field studies will be emphasized and comprise 50% of the student contact hours. These field experiences will include part-day or full-day van trips, overnight backpacking trips, and part-day horse trips to higher elevations. Because students from many different departments will be encouraged to take this course, there are no prerequisites. It is anticipated that capable students will rapidly acquire the limited amount of background material needed in the course.