



American University of Sharjah, International Exchange Office

Monthly Newsletter: December 2013

Enhance career prospects!

We encourage all non-native Arabic speakers to register for Arabic courses in Spring 2014. Arabic is now identified as a "critical language" in the West, being the official language of 25 countries and spoken by 300 million worldwide. The ability to speak it is now highly valued by employers with higher pay.

To following courses are available: ARA 105 Elementary I (free elective) ARA 106 Elementary II (req. for MES minor) ARA 203 Intermediate I (req. for MES minor)

A placement test must be taken on Dec. 30, 2013 to be placed.

Faculty Opportunities

Opportunity 1: Osaka International University

Osaka International University (OIU) is extending an invitation to AUS faculty members to lead a study tour to the Osaka, Kyoto and Nara areas of Japan.

OUI is also interested in staff exchanges between our two universities. OUI will accept a lecturer to teach several classes at the university in English while conducting research on Japanese culture and society, while a lecturer from OUI will do research on Islam and Arab culture at our institution.

If interested in these opportunities, please contact IXO for more information.

Opportunity 2: Carian College Advisors Scholarship

Carian College Advisors, the UAE's leading independent educational consultancy focused on US admissions, has annouced a scholarship for high school students. Carian College Advisors is asking students in their final two years of secondary school to write a 500-word essay about why they want to pursue an undergraduate education in the United States.

The winner will recieve free consultancy services, which includes unlimited meetings and assistance with up to 14 applications.

For more information, visit www.carianet.com

Volunteer in Sub-Saharan Africa

One Heart Source, a non-profit organization founded by university students, and headquartered in Los Angeles, California, is reaching out to our community for volunteers.

Since 2008, over 700 international students and post-graduates have joined One Heart Source forming conscious teams of volunteers providing high-quality education to communities and vulnerable children in Sub-Saharan Africa. However, last year, most universities representatives were from the US, Europe, China and Australia.

In an attempt to diversify volunteers, Open Heart Source is calling for volunteers from our university. They are offering a variety or 2 or 4 week programs in Cape Town, South Africa, and Zanzibar, Tanzania. Volunteers will work closely with members of the community and in a dynamic team of international students.

To apply, please visit www.oneheartsource.org/ volunteer.

ISEP Study Abroad Photo Contest

All ISEP students, past or present, are asked to join the Study Abroad Photo contest! Students are requested to submit their best snapshots of their time abroad for a chance to win cash prizes or an STA Travel Voucher. For more information, visit www.isep.org

Submissions end January 14, 2014.



Our IXO Paintball team





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Wishing the AUS Community Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!



Wishing you Happy Holidays and looking forward to working with you in the New Year!

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