American University of Sharjah, Office of International Exchange Programs

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## Announcements and upcoming events

# Performance Poetry Night

The Office of International Exchange Programs is hosting a performance poetry night on November 30th at 6 PM in CHM 109. We're looking for poets of all levels--amateur to published--who are willing to share an original poem (5 minutes or less in length), or actors willing to interpret/recite/perform a poem of their choosing. (If you have no idea what we're talking about, check out the first few minutes of this talk: http://www.ted.com/talks/sarah\_kay\_if\_i\_should\_have\_a\_daughter.html)

Poets of all levels are invited to perform in any language. Sign up here: http://goo.gl/j51EW by 23rd of November.

All AUS Community Members are welcome to join us for a pleasant evening of food, good people, and entertainment. We'll also have information on exchange programs available for those who are interested.

### International Youth Leadership Conference

The International Youth Leadership Conference in the United Arab Emirates will welcome approximately 80 students from all over the world for an open-minded exchange of diverse perspectives on contemporary global challenges. This weeklong forum on Middle Eastern culture, religion and leadership will bring together prominent university students from across the globe for an open-minded exchange of ideas concerning the future of world leadership.

Our goal is to facilitate dialogue and cooperation across an ethnically diverse and socially responsible group of young international leaders. The Conference is designed to encourage social interaction and networking in a cross-cultural learning environment.

The conference will be held in Dubai from December 10th to 15th, 2011. For more information and to secure your place at the conference please visit www.iylcuae.org. AUS students can attend for a reduced rate of €350.

#### Attention Arab women!

The Arab Women's Enterpreneurship Project (AWEP) aims to provide underserved Arab women (with a preference to Emarati women) with entrepreneurship skills and training. The goal is to provide women with all the skills and training they would need to start their own small business or to expand their small business. AMIDEAST will deliver an initial three-week training session followed by a six-month period during which participants will apply what they've learned.

The deadline for applications is December 10, 2011. Training will commence in January 2012 in Abu Dhabi. For more information visit www.amideast.org

### Study abroad opportunities

An exchange program allows students to take courses at any of our partner institutions in the US, Canada and Europe while paying AUS tuition and receiving AUS credit. Students can study abroad for up to 2 semesters and complete an internship after the end of the program. Students going to the US can find employment on campus during the semester.

This semester we will be holding weekly information sessions in Lecture Hall B. Students interested in learning more about study abroad options, program details and application requirements are encouraged to attend, ask questions and speak with an advisor.

Come to lecture Hall B at 1 PM on any of the following days: November 20th, 27th. December 4th, 5th,11th, 12th, 19th.

Students are welcome to stop by MG43 or call 06 515 4027 to speak with a member of our staff. Information about and applications for all of our programs can be found on our website: http://aus.studioabroad.com

Apply now for Fall 2012!

#### Fahad while he is abroad!



Fahad seated on the left with his friends at a game in WVU.

"My semester in Morgantown has surpassed all expectations. Before coming, I was slightly hesitant as to whether or not I had made the right choice, but upon arrival I could see that I made no mistake in coming! I'm having a fantastic time here at West Virginia University and I'm saddened by the fact it's coming to an end so quickly. I've met some great people and exploring new places all the time, such as our upcoming thanksgiving trip to Miami. I would highly recommend a semester abroad to anyone who is interested. It surely is an experience you're not likely to forget."

Fahad Mughal is spending the semester at WVU through the ISEP program.

