The news of the intellectual incubator of Morgan State University

non mediocris erit magnus

The 2016 Fall Semester is upon us and with it comes the promise of great growth and change. As part of our own enhancement and growth, we’re excited to launch our inaugural ON MY HONOR Newsletter, which is specifically designed to communicate and advertise the news of the Honors College. We welcome you to this first edition! You’ll find that it is filled with educational information, student and organization features, helpful hints, and tips, events, stories and news. We want this newsletter to be valuable for you so please, please share your feedback and suggestions to help us improve. Our motto above for our newsletter is non-mediocris erit magnus, which means don’t be average be great! This should remind us as students enrolled in the Honors College we should always subscribe to be better than average! We hope to publish

ON MY HONOR each semester and we are seeking stories, articles and information to be submitted for our newsletter. It’s a new semester, often a time for new dreams and goals as well as renewed energy to get things done. This month’s newsletter is dedicated to our new incoming students and their future success!

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Honors at Morgan is far more than a monetary award, an assortment of courses, and attendance at required convocations. It is, rather, a certain frame of mind, a set of higher expectations for oneself and one’s peers, an irresistible urge to explore. The true Honors student is an amalgam of restless intellect, genuine compassion for others, a deep sense of responsibility, and character that does not yield to the latest fad or fashion. The Honors College does not bestow these qualities upon its students; but it can and does provide the resources and opportunities necessary to enhance them. Your task is to make the most of everything that Honors has to offer.

I urge you to look upon the 2016-2017 academic year as a chance for you to begin -- or continue -- your journey through the undiscovered country of life. The adventure awaiting you has enthralled humanity from its very beginnings, and has woven its way into poetry, prose, and song. I find, however, the words of the great American poet Walt Whitman to be especially suited to this moment: “Afoot and lighthearted I take to the open road, healthy, free, the world before me.”

I and the rest of the Honors College staff are committed to launching you onto that part of the open road that is uniquely yours to travel.

Best Regards,

Darryl L. Peterkin, Ph.D.
Director
Clara I. Adams Honors College
Welcome to the Clara I Adams Honors College. If you are a first-time freshman or transfer student, the University College will be your academic home away from home for the next two years. The Honors College is designed to provide consistent, high-quality and appropriate academic advising, monitoring, mentoring, nurturing and coaching to ensure your academic and personal success. We aim to provide or assist in providing all of the support services you may need to be a stellar student. We are here to assist and support you, however, your academic success depends on how well you take responsibility for your own education, including taking initiative to achieve academic excellence. It is up to you to take advantage of these services as soon and as often as you need them. We look forward to supporting your academic and personal success at the Honors College and the university!

Please feel free to reach out via email at any time, and if we cannot answer your question we will try to find someone who can. One of our many goals for this year will be to continue to keep communication lines as open as possible within the Honors College.

Baltimore Law Scholars Program

At the University of Baltimore School of Law, diversity is celebrated among students, faculty and staff. You’ll learn legal theory and doctrine from professors in our light-filled classrooms, but those sitting beside you in class will also illuminate your educational experience. Diversity of all kinds is essential to creating a better law school, stringer law students and, in turn, more well rounded lawyers who will work to ensure that our laws contribute to a more just society.

At the University of Baltimore School of Law, diversity is reflected by the age, race, religion, national and ethnic origin, political affiliations and sexual orientation of our students, as well as of our faculty and staff. We aim to provide students with opportunities that will enrich understanding and allow them to become confident, committed and compassionate attorneys. In addition to a range of student organizations, the UB School of Law has two innovative pipeline programs: The Fannie Angelos Program for Academic Excellence and the Charles Hamilton Houston Scholars Program:

For more information, visit: http://law.ubalt.edu/admissions/diversity/
Message from Mrs. Thomas

Welcome to The Honors College at Morgan State University! The Honors College is dedicated to providing high achieving students the opportunities to make the most of their higher education and Morgan experience. I am here to assist as you make your transition to college. Please remember we are your home away from home and if we do not know what’s going on we cannot help, so please stop by if you need assistance or just to say hello! As the administrative assistant, I handle most of the logistical aspects of the scholarships that are offered by the Honors College and the office. I have had the great pleasure to meet some of you and your parents either in person or via the telephone. Please stop in so that I may meet you in person and be able to put a face with so many new names to learn.

You can always consult me about any complications with your scholarship, book vouchers or any other matters you may need assistance with. Your job is to be the best students you can be with minimal to no distractions. We are a family here at the Honors College and we care about each and every one of our students.

Have a great start to the fall semester and I look forward to working with you!

LSU GRADUATE SCHOOL SUMMER PROGRAM FOR THE COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES STUDENTS

The Pre-Doctoral Scholar’s Institute (PDSI) program is an intensive four-week summer research opportunity that prepares high-achieving minority underrepresented students for future doctoral study. The four-week research program introduces the students to the culture of graduate education and exposes them to faculty-mentors who personify the realistic and obtainable goal of a doctoral degree. Designed to simulate a “real world” graduate school research environment, the institute is structured as an intensive research experience; which includes, but is not limited to: academic journal reading, peer-reviewing, academic writing, conducting literature reviews, data analyses, developing quantitative and qualitative research designs, and field study participation, all culminating with a research symposium on the last day of the institute.

Please note the open and close dates for all application materials to be submitted:

Open date - September 1, 2016

Close date - February 3, 2017

For more information, visit:

http://sites01.lsu.edu/wp/graduateschool/summer-program-for-the-college-of-humanities-and-social-sciences-students/
CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS FOUNDATION OPPORTUNITIES (CBCF)

The CBCF has many opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students. The CBCF through its Leadership Institute for Public Service is preparing the next generation to take its place in the fields of community service and policy development.

The goal of this program is to increase the pool of black leaders in public service careers and public policy positions through providing fellowships, internships, and scholarships.

To learn more about these opportunities and additional information visit:

http://www.cbcfinc.org/leadership-institute/
Attention, Seniors and Graduate Students!
(Others are welcome to attend.)
(Professors: Inform your best students!)

FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR
STUDY ABROAD

Deadline for COMPLETED applications: 30 September 2016

Information Meetings:
Tuesday 30 August 2016 at 3 p.m. OR
Wednesday 31 August 2016 at 4 p.m.
Montebello C-102

Graduating Seniors and Graduate Students:
You are requested to attend a meeting either Tuesday 30 August 2016 at 3 p.m. OR
Wednesday 31 August 2016 at 4 p.m. in Montebello C-102. At this time, the requirements for and benefits of
FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS (grants for study abroad) will be explained in detail.
N.B. You MUST be a United States citizen in order to apply.

Founding Fulbright Program Director: Dr. Sandye Jean McIntyre, II
Fulbright Program Director: Dr. Carleen S. Leggett
Assistant Fulbright Program Director: Dr. Elizabeth S. Gunn

P.S. If these hours are not convenient (or to get started earlier), please contact Dr. Leggett
as soon as possible, by e-mail (carleen.leggett@morgan.edu) or by leaving your telephone number
(twice clearly, please) on voice mail (443-885-3097).
The DEADLINE for the submission of completed application forms is 30 September 2016.
Join the Bear TV Production and Studio Crew!

Bear TV staff members want to prepare you to become a part of the Bear TV team by training you to produce programming for campus station 54.4

Training Sessions are held in the New Communications Center (CC)

Room 356 (3rd Floor Studio)

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. each session

Tuesdays: August 30 and September 6, 13, 20 & 27

Thursdays: September 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
FRESHMAN HONORS COLLEGE ORIENTATION
AUGUST 25, 2016 JENKINS HALL-104
(11:00 am - 12:00 pm)
All new incoming freshmen and transfer students

HONORS COLLEGE WELCOME BACK COOKOUT AUGUST 26, 2016
JENKINS HALL COURTYARD
(12:00 pm - 4:00 pm)

MORGAN LIBRARY PRESENTATION
SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 JENKINS HALL – 104
(11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)
All new incoming freshmen and transfer students

MATRICULATION CONVOCATION
SEPTEMBER 8, 2016 MURPHY FINE ARTS CENTER
(11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)
All new incoming freshmen and transfer students

MORGAN STUDENT COUNSELING CENTER PRESENTATION
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 JENKINS HALL – 104
(11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)
All new incoming freshmen and transfer students

MORGAN STUDENT CAREER CENTER PRESENTATION
SEPTEMBER 22, 2016 JENKINS HALL – 104
(11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)
All new incoming freshmen and transfer students

THE UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTER
(8:30 AM – 4:00 PM)

THE CENTER FOR CONTINUING AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES AND THE HONORS COLLEGE IS CO-SPONSORING A LAW SCHOOL FORUM UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE LAW SCHOOL & THE FANNIE ANGELOS PROGRAM FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
SEPTEMBER 22, 2016 – 125 RICHARD DIXON RESEARCH CENTER TRAVELER’S AUDITORIUM
(11:00 AM – 1:00 PM)

THE COLEMAN REPORT
A SYMPOSIUM TO REVISIT 50 YEARS LATER
THE LEGACY AND IMPACT OF THE COLEMAN REPORT ON AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS & REVISIT THE RONALD EDMONDS REBUTTAL TO THE COLEMAN REPORT
A SYMPOSIUM SPONSORED BY MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & URBAN STUDIES & THE CLARA I. ADAMS HONORS COLLEGE
NOVEMBER 16, 2016 – MURPHY FINE ARTS CENTER
(4:00 PM – 8:30 PM)