Connecting Campus, Communities & Curriculum through Engaged Scholarship and Collaborative Action

The Lang Center for Civic and Social Responsibility facilitates the College's commitment to civic engagement and social responsibility by connecting the campus, community, and curriculum with a dedicated staff and wide range of activities.

Visit Our Webpage

Today, Friday, December 1, 2017, we join together to celebrate the life and legacy of Eugene Lang '38, H'81. We invite you to share stories of how Gene has impacted your life using #livingtheliberalarts. Click the image below to learn more about today's event.
"Two Recent Alums Promote Social Change as Lang Center Fellows," by Ryan Dougherty (November 27, 2017)

"Two recent alumni are fueling a new program from the Lang Center for Civic & Social Responsibility to 'scale up' their undergraduate actions for social change.

Serving as the inaugural Lang Social Impact Fellows are Raven Bennett '17 and Nimesh Ghimire '15, who are empowered to continue their impactful solutions to social problems this year with funding and support from the Lang Center, says associate director Jennifer Magee.

'It is through the vision and generosity of Eugene M. Lang '38 that communities facing significant challenges have come to know Swarthmore students, including Raven and Nimesh, as social change makers,' says Magee. 'We are grateful for the opportunity to innovate and build upon the success of the Lang Opportunity Scholarship Program with this pilot program, and motivated and inspired to work with Raven and Nimesh as they sustain and scale their initiatives.'"

Continue reading.

Project Pericles Info Sessions + Design Thinking
Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 4:00 PM
Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 12:30 PM
Lang Center for Civic & Social Responsibility

Got an innovative solution to a significant social problem? Looking to connect your academics with action? Need up to funding to take your group's mission to the next level?
On a rolling basis, the Project Pericles Fund of Swarthmore College accepts funding requests from groups of Swarthmore College students from across the class years whose work is dedicated to achieving positive social impact in the US and around the world. Eligible groups can access up to $25,000 over the course of multiple years. If yours is a group that will use a combination of direct service, activism, advocacy, and/or social entrepreneurship to bring about social change – and your team is committed to taking coursework in support of the project – please join us for an information session.

Learn more: https://www.swarthmore.edu/lang-center/project-pericles-fund-swarthmore-college

Davis Project for Peace Info Sessions
Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 11:30 AM  
Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 4:30 PM  
Lang Center for Civic & Social Responsibility

Got a creative idea for conflict resolution, reconciliation, building understanding and/or breaking down barriers which cause conflict? Need a $10,000 grant to implement such a project in Summer 2018? Consider applying for a Davis Project for Peace grant!

Open to all class years as well as individuals or teams of students, the Davis Project for Peace program seeks to encourage and fund student initiative, innovation, and entrepreneurship that is focused on conflict prevention, resolution or reconciliation. Proposal deadline is Wednesday, January 31, 2017.

Learn more: https://www.swarthmore.edu/lang-center/davis-projects-peace

Classifieds for Students

Fellowship Opportunity | Shared Prosperity Fellowship

The Office of Community Empowerment and Opportunity (CEO) is proud to announce recruitment for our Spring 2018 Shared Prosperity Fellows! Shared Prosperity Fellows will serve as ambassadors for CEO and work alongside stakeholders from government, philanthropic agencies, academia, business and consumer communities, in an effort to achieve a common understanding of the dynamics of poverty in Philadelphia and be an active participant in making change around these complex issues. Fellowship positions are open for undergraduate, recent graduates, and graduate students during Spring 2018 (15-25 hours/week depending on Fellow’s class schedule). If you or
Internship Opportunity | Presidential Internship Program

The Presidential Internship Program is in the process of recruiting applicants for the 2018-2019 year. Established in 1981, the Presidential Internship Program at The American University in Cairo (AUC) provides recent university graduates the opportunity to spend an academic year working at the highest levels of an international university, learn Arabic, and experience life in Egypt. This program provides recent graduates with the unique opportunity to begin their professional careers while abroad. Participants work full-time in one of eight university offices, working in a range of fields including University administration, sustainability, finance, research, student development, advancement, communications, and more.

Program benefits include a monthly living stipend, furnished faculty housing with free rent and utilities, 60 hours of free private Arabic tutoring per semester, a travel and transportation stipend, access to AUC faculty and staff programs, community-based personal development, subsidized trips around Egypt, and more. We look for a diverse array of applicants from a wide range of American universities, including students with no background in Arabic or Middle Eastern Studies. In addition, search for our Facebook page and blog to learn more about living and working in Egypt. The application is due January 22, 2018.

Potential applicants should visit our website for more information on the program and how to apply: [http://www.aucegypt.edu/about/leadership/president/internship-program](http://www.aucegypt.edu/about/leadership/president/internship-program)

Conference Opportunity | IMAGINE Social Good

IMAGINE Social Good, a newly launched national summit, will be held in spring 2018 and aims to provide a platform focused on students and their work in the social justice, social entrepreneurship and social good space. Are you a student who is running, expanding, or preparing to launch a social good project? Would you like to present your work at IMAGINE? At IMAGINE students get to share their work with other like-minded students and receive constructive feedback from a panel of experts that we build around them and their work. The conference will be held March 23 - 25, 2018 at Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA. Our keynote speakers include a Goldman Environmental Prize Winner (aka the Green Nobel), TED speaker, promoter of indigenous knowledge, farm girl turned international aid worker, transformational consultant and food justice advocate.

Students can register to attend or present their work by following this link to the IMAGINE website.

Fellowship Opportunity | FAO Schwarz Family Foundation

*Open to recent graduates and current seniors*

Are you interested in a career in the social sector? We invite you to learn more about an exciting opportunity: the FAO Schwarz Family Foundation Fellowship. The fellowship
is a two-year program for recent college graduates designed to train future leaders in the social sector. The Fellows will work within established youth development and educational organizations providing both direct service to youth as well as initiating new projects and initiatives to strengthen the host organization. At the same time, Fellows receive experiences, training and mentorship to help launch them into successful careers as leaders in the field. The positions will be at non-profit organizations in Boston, New York, or Philadelphia, beginning in the summer of 2018. The host organizations and positions will be posted on the FAO Schwarz Family Foundation website in mid-February of 2018.

Learn more about the program and application process by following this link to the FAO Schwarz Family Foundation website.

From Our Friends on Campus

IC Art House: Open Mic
Come showcase your talents at the first IC Art House Open Mic Night in conjunction with the BCC’s Black Friday. There will be refreshments!
Friday, Dec. 1 | 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Intercultural Center Big Room

Carbon Pricing Session
Come learn about carbon pricing policy, Swarthmore’s Carbon Charge Program, and how you can plug in to advance carbon pricing work with other students on campus! Food will be provided! Hosted by the Office of Sustainability.
Saturday, Dec 2 | 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM | Keith Room

Visibility Zine Interest Meeting
Please join the VISIBILITY team as we begin our planning process for the May 2018 Issue! We are looking to hire four new magazine staff people, and showcase the work and art of 20+ students. Please attend if you are interested in contributing in any capacity!
Monday, Dec. 4 | 7:00 PM | The Intercultural Center

Swarthmore for Puerto Rico
Come learn about and enjoy Puerto Rican culture, music and food, and help support fundraising efforts for hurricane relief. Marángeli Mejía Rabell, Director of Community Economic Development at the Village of Arts and Humanities and Director of the Philadelphia Latino Film Festival, will join us.
Friday, Dec. 8 | 3:30 PM | Tarble, Clothier

Writing from the Wound: Literature and Disenchantment in Postwar Central America
Nanci Buiza, Assistant Professor of Spanish, examines how contemporary Central American writers have made literary art out of a heritage of violence, trauma, and social disaffection.
Tuesday, Dec. 12 | 4:15 PM | McCabe Library Atrium

From Our Friends in the Community
Screening of *Some Mother's Son*
Join the community for a Free First-Friday Large-Screen screening of Some Mother's Son (1996) Directed by Terry George. This film is Rated R. Doors open at 6:30 PM for light refreshments.
Friday, Dec. 1 | 7:00 PM | Peace Center of Delaware County, 1001 Old Sproul Road, Springfield, PA

Thrive: Trauma-Informed Practice in Community Engaged Art
Join arts and health professionals, students and community members in conversation at the intersection(s) of trauma-informed practice and community-engaged art.
Saturday, Dec. 2 | 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM | Jefferson University, Jefferson Alumni Hall, 1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA
This event is free, but you must pre-register here.

On Climate Change
Join artists, sustainability advocates, farmers, community organizers, and academics to illuminate the environmental challenges we face and envision a way forward. Includes a panel discussion, interactive workshops, seed-selling and swapping activities, and a climate-friendly lunch menu.
Saturday, Dec. 2 | 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM | Jefferson University, Jefferson Alumni Hall, 1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA
Learn more about this event and RSVP at this link.

Anti-War Drone Vigil/Death Walk
Philadelphia Monthly Center City Anti-War Drone Vigil/Death Walk. Please wear black in recognition of all the victims of Drone attacks. White masks provided.
Saturday, Dec. 2 | 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM | Meet at 12th & Arch Streets
Please call Marge Van Cleef at 203-804-3013 for more information.

We Are the Seeds Holiday Soirée with Zachariah Julian
Come out for a beautiful night of indigenous music, art, and fun. Performing in concert will be Jicarilla Apache singer songwriter Zachariah Julian. All donations benefit programs produced by We Are the Seeds of CultureTrust. RSVP ticket includes concert and appetizers.
Wednesday, Dec. 6 | 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM | Jerry's Bar, 129 West Laurel Street, Philadelphia, PA
Learn more about this event and RSVP at this link.

Philly Anti-War "Reach Out"
Stop endless war. Stop the drone war command center at the Horsham, PA, Air Guard Station. Banners, posters, and mass leafleting. Bring an umbrella in case of rain.
Friday, December 8 | 4:00 PM | In front of SEPTA entrance at 15th & Market Streets, across the street from west side entrance of City Hall

Net Neutrality Wake Up Call
Have an opinion regarding Net Neutrality? A bus will be taking individuals to DC who would like to have their voice on the issue be heard. Light breakfast and lunch will be provided.
Thursday, Dec. 14 | 6:30 AM | PhillyCAM, 699 Ranstead St #1
RSVP to the event and RSVP for the bus.

Holiday Concert for Peace
Holiday Concert for Peace with Tom Mullian ("Six Strings Against the War", "Out of Babylon"); Square Wheels, featuring Wayne G. Harvey & Mac Given; and Dolores Magro, singer/songwriter.