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****HAPPY NEW YEAR!! WE HOPE YOU ARE ENJOYING YOUR BREAK. REMEMBER, SCHOOL STARTS ON JANUARY 16TH. PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.****

1. MORGAN STANLEY RICHARD B. FISHER SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Honors College would like to announce the Morgan Stanley Richard B. Fisher Scholars Program for 2007. The Program is a competitive scholarship established to provide outstanding Black and Hispanic students with up to a \$15,000 reward, a summer internship, and the opportunity to establish a lasting relationship with a worldwide leader in finance and marketing. Recipients of this award can look forward to gaining exposure in a number of different areas including Equity Research, Fixed Income, Institutional Equity, Investment Banking, or Prime Brokerage. Those interested in applying must meet the following criteria:

*Be currently enrolled as a sophomore during the spring 2007 semester

*Hold a minimum GPA of 3.30

*Possess a desire to work in the financial services industry.

Note: This opportunity is open to students from all ethnic and academic backgrounds. However, because of the nature of the program, Black and Hispanic students are particularly encouraged to apply. If you are interested in this truly fantastic opportunity then please contact smann@rutgers.edu as soon as possible. Provide your name, GPA, total credits earned at conclusion of this semester and a resume if you have one. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

2. HC SEMINAR: LIMITED SEATS GOING FAST!

If you are a sophomore, junior or senior interested in taking an Honors College Seminar that will provide you with valuable insights that are applicable to any interest, major or career objective then please continue reading. By 2030, current "minorities" will be the majority of the U.S. population, and their combined buying power is expected to be over \$4 trillion dollars – a sum that has significant economic, social, and marketing implications for the country. Our new course, "Diverse Consumers" explores how people are influenced by the cultural habits of groups to which they belong, and examines how different subgroups have unique patterns of preferences, customs, and values that determine not only what they will buy, but also how they will live. The readings and assignments are designed to build your capacity to understand consumers in different subgroups by experiencing the relationship between diversity and consumption in the world and the media. The rationale for the course is that the United States is a consumer society in which the purchase of goods, services, ideas, activities, and experiences

influences political, social, and economic life. In other words, you will be able to apply what you learn in this class to everything you do or intend to do! And, you'll fulfill one-half of your Honors College Special Topics Requirement in the process! For more information on this course or for instructions on how to register please contact Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu.

3. PROVISION FOR DROPPING FIRST TERM'S GRADES

Students that completed their 56th degree credit during the fall 2006 academic term may be able to take advantage of a special provision that allows undergraduates at Rutgers-Newark to omit all grades earned in their first term at the university from the calculation of their cumulative grade point averages. Should you be able to take advantage of this provision and choose to do so, the courses and the grades for the courses would remain on your transcript. The grades simply no longer would be included in the determination of your cumulative GPA. If you are interested in finding out if you are eligible then please visit (http://catalogs.rutgers.edu/generated/nwk-ug_0608/pg23602.html) for a full statement of the policy and the criterion for eligibility. Note: If you are eligible to take advantage of this provision, you must – absolutely must – deliver your written formal request to the Registrars Office by Tuesday, January 30, 2007. This is your only chance to do this, there are no extensions granted ever. Once this option is exercised then all arrangements are final and irrevocable.

4. VOLUNTEER & TUTORING OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE IN NEWARK

YouthBuild USA, a national non-profit organization with an office operating right near campus, conducts GED and education training for inner-city youth. The mission of YouthBuild USA is to unleash the intelligence and positive energy of low-income youth to rebuild their communities and their lives. YouthBuild USA seeks to join with others like you to help all people in all communities to fulfill their own potential and contribute to the well-being of others. They are seeking tutors to work 45 minute blocks of time starting in February of 2007. Tutoring schedules are flexible, the location is convenient and the work is very fulfilling. If you are interested in this opportunity then please contact Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu.

5. EXPLORE THE VOLUNTEER CENTER OF BERGEN COUNTY

One of the most valuable things you can do for yourself, for others and for your resume is to devote time to volunteer activities. The Honors College is happy to announce an excellent way for you to improve yourself and others through the Volunteer Center of Bergen County. The Volunteer center supports three primary mentoring programs that provide role models to abused or neglected children, pregnant teens, and young mothers in crisis. It's an excellent opportunity to simultaneously help others while enriching your own life. So are you willing to invest just a few hours a week to build and nurture a special relationship? If you are, you can help break the cycle of low self-esteem, child abuse, neglect and isolation that many of these young people face. In the process you will help improve the community, make lasting and helpful impressions on people's lives, make new friends, have fun and go home at the end of the day feeling fulfilled. If you would like more information on this wonderful opportunity or are interested in viewing an extensive listing of volunteer opportunities in other areas please visit <http://www.bergenvolunteers.org/>. Everyone is encouraged to contact the organization and participate. I hope all you will seriously consider giving just a fraction of your time to this worthy cause. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

6. PAID SUMMER LAW INTERNSHIP AVAILABLE

A reputable law firm in NJ is currently accepting applications for 12 week paid summer internships. This intern program is an excellent learning opportunity for young people who are seriously considering a career in the field of law:

- You will work to support a variety of legal matters and be supervised by an elite team of paralegals.
- You create relationships within a caring group of lawyers and paralegals, many of whom will be able to provide invaluable career advice.

- You will attend a series of seminars and workshops that will teach you about different roles and practice areas within our firm.
- By the end of the summer you will have an understanding of how a law firm works. This experience can be very helpful in making decisions about your career.

The firm mostly does Pharmaceutical and Bankruptcy law, but has divisions of Personal Injury, Land Use, Intellectual Property, and general corporate law. Interested students should contact Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu by Wednesday January 10, 2007. We hope to hear from you soon.

7. INVESTMENT BANKING SUMMER INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Honors College is happy to announce that Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., one of New York's largest investment banking firms specializing in mergers and acquisitions, is accepting applications for summer internships. Sandler O'Neill's business covers a wide range of activities including raising capital, providing research coverage, acting as a market maker, advising on mergers and acquisitions, and trading securities for hundreds of clients nationwide. Applicants should be of at least sophomore standing and have an interest in business, finance, marketing, management or accounting. If you are interested in this opportunity then please contact Seth Mann as soon as possible at smann@rutgers.edu. Note, if you obtainment and successful completion of this internship will fulfill one-half of your Honors Special Topics Requirement.

8. SUMMER INTERNSHIPS ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

Resources for the Future (RFF) is currently accepting applications for summer 2007 paid internships. RFF is an independent non-profit organization, located in Washington, D.C., specializing in research, policy analysis and public education on environmental, energy and natural resource issues. Each intern can expect to work with one or more RFF researchers on a variety of ongoing projects or assist in the development of entirely new areas of research and policy analysis. RFF's three research divisions are Energy and Natural Resources (ENR), Quality of the Environment (QE), and Risk, Resource, and Environmental Management (RREM). All three divisions seek highly motivated candidates in the social and natural sciences. Candidates for all divisions should have outstanding policy analysis, strong writing skills, and an interest in complex environmental policy problems amenable to interdisciplinary analysis. The ability to work without supervision in a careful and conscientious manner is essential. If you would like to learn more about this great opportunity then please contact Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu.

9. RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES IN PERCEPTUAL SCIENCE

Rutgers University is proud to announce a new training program in Interdisciplinary Perceptual Science. This program, funded by NSF's Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT) program, integrates training and research in computer modeling and human perception. It is directed primarily to undergraduates who have concentrated in one of the following areas/major: Psychology, Cognitive Science, Computer Science, Human-Computer Interaction, Anthropology, or Engineering. The program includes fundamental course work that makes it accessible to students from a wide range of different undergraduate backgrounds mentioned above. Students can expect to pursue research in topics such as: multi-sensory integration; perception of shape, motion, and objects; animate motion; eye movements; attention; search; visual communication; computational depiction; human and machine learning; and human-computer interaction. If you are interested in learning more about this program then please contact Mr. Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu and look at their website at <http://perceptualscience.rutgers.edu>.

10. MTV INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MTV Networks is now accepting internship applications for the spring and summer semesters. These opportunities are available to all sophomores, juniors and seniors who are looking for a rich and rewarding experience at one of the world's most successful networks. Applicants should be available at least 2 days p/week. If you are interested in any of the opportunities listed on their website

(<https://jobhuntweb.viacom.com/jobhunt/main/jobhome.asp>) then please contact Seth Mann (smann@rutgers.edu) as soon as possible. This is a great chance to work at MTV in NYC but you must act soon to insure your best chance at obtaining a position.

11. SEO INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

SEO is the nation's premiere summer internship program for talented students of color leading to full-time job offers. Since its inception, SEO's Career Program has placed over 4,000 Black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian, and Native American students in internships that lead to opportunities in exciting and rewarding careers in the most competitive industries worldwide. More than 80% of SEO interns receive job offers from partner firms after their internships. Students from all major are welcome to apply and can earn from \$600-\$1,200 a week in a mentored summer internship in Accounting, Asset Management, Corporate Law, Global Corporate Financial Leadership, Information Technology, Investment Banking, or Philanthropy. Opportunities are available throughout the tri-state area and Hong Kong. If you are of Black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian or Native American Descent and are interested in learning more about these exciting opportunities then please contact Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu. Act fast! January 22nd is the next and last deadline for this round of applications!

12. PAID INTERNSHIPS! SPRING AND SUMMER OPPS IN BANKING & BUSINESS

Valley National Bank is currently accepting internship applications from enthusiastic sophomores, juniors or seniors with an interest in management, accounting, human resources and/or the banking industry in general. As an intern you'll get the rare chance to work closely with upper management of a huge bank and receive quality mentorship rich with personal attention – the four HC students who have interned there have all had an excellent experience. Valley National has assets of more than \$12 billion and operates 166 branches in 109 communities located throughout NJ and NY. This internship will provide an extremely valuable experience that could help students build their resumes and acquire skills that will prove essential for their future careers. And they pay nicely! Applicants should have excellent communication skills, knowledge of MS Office Suite, and good organizational skills. If you are interested in applying then please contact Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu as soon as possible. Successful completion of this internship will fulfill the Honors College Special Topics Requirement.

13. CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Offices of Summer & Winter Sessions, Academic Technology, and Academic Scheduling has openings for spring student assistant positions. Primary responsibilities include answering phones, retrieving and responding to voice mail messages and department email accounts, as well as maintenance of Excel databases. Other key duties are greeting and assisting visitors, filing, copying, and hand-delivery of time sensitive materials campus-wide. Work would start immediately. Qualified applicants must be able to work a minimum of 20 hours per week (\$10/an hour) and must possess a professional and friendly attitude, as well as strong organization and communication skills. If you are interested in this opportunity please send resume, including cover letter to: Carmen Pardo, Senior Program Coordinator, Office of Summer and Winter Sessions, 249 University Ave., Room 208.

The Newsletter is published every week to provide timely information about events and opportunities of particular interest or benefit to Rutgers-Newark Honors College Students. Be sure to read carefully each week for important announcements and opportunities such as scholarships, internships, and research positions. Furthermore, we recommend that you create a folder on your hard drive or on your e-mail account to save all the newsletters for future reference. For additional information on what appears above please follow links listed with individual items or contact the parties listed to learn more about a particular opportunity. Please do not reply directly to this e-mail.
