

<http://www.sigmathiota.org> *The purpose of Sigma Iota Rho shall be to promote and reward scholarship and service among students and practitioners of international studies, international affairs, and global studies and to foster integrity and creative performance in the conduct of world affairs.*



## Honor Society for International Studies

### SIR OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATES

(\*\*See last page for Eligibility Requirements\*\*)

#### UNDERGRADUATE PRINT JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The Sigma Iota Rho (SIR) *Journal of International Relations* is an undergraduate journal of international studies housed in the Library of Congress. The *Journal* has a circulation of over 3,000 copies, which are distributed to over 190 undergraduate international relations programs and APSIA graduate international relations schools. Each edition includes a featured article by a leading voice in international relations; previous headliners have included Barack Obama, George W. Bush, Joseph Biden, Madeleine Albright, Henry Kissinger, and Pascal Lamy.

- **Current Issue:** <http://www.sigmathiota.org/joir-currentissue/>
- **Back Issues:** <http://www.sigmathiota.org/joir/back-issues/>
- **Deadlines will be circulated to INT students when that information is received.**

#### GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE ONLINE JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SEEKS BLOGGERS, OP-ED ARTICLES, BOOK REVIEWS, AND RESEARCH PAPERS

- **Submit to:** [onlinejournal@sigmathiota.org](mailto:onlinejournal@sigmathiota.org) (rolling deadline)
- <http://www.sirjournal.org>
- The National Liaison Editors for the SIR Journal, Beau Staso and Gabbi Thomas, want to connect with other passionate students at DePaul University interested in becoming involved with the SIR Journal.
- Beau and Gabbi regularly host *Information Session and Virtual Meet and Greets* throughout the academic year with information sessions, research panels, and other events that cater to students interested in the research, editing, and submission of articles for publishing in both the print and online journals. They hope to create a network of students interested in publishing work and expanding the SIR Journal team.

- *Information Session and Virtual Meet and Greets* provide an overview of how to get your student(s) work published and the various ways you can get involved in the journal! **SIR members will have an opportunity to get to know the other members of SIR chapters across the country and build connections with their peers in the IR field.**

Articles:

1. must pertain to the field of International Studies
2. may include charts, graphs, or other pertinent illustrations
3. must include the student's full name, email address, telephone number, institution's name, year, and major.
4. font must be size 12 pt, Times New Roman
5. must have Chicago Style Footnotes

Journal Blogger:

1. must commit to one post per calendar month
2. posts must be between 500 - 1200 words
3. applications must include the student's full name, email address, telephone number, resume / CV, institution's name, major(s) / minor(s), a writing sample, and your preferred region and thematic area from the list below.
  - U.S. and North America
  - Latin America and Caribbean
  - Western Europe
  - Eastern Europe and Russia
  - Middle East and Central Asia
  - Africa
  - South Asia
  - East Asia
  - Southeast Asia and South Pacific
  - Thematic Area:
    - Security and Intelligence
    - Geopolitics and Strategy
    - Diplomacy
    - Human Rights
    - International Economics and Development
    - Environmental Issues
    - International Law

APSIA INTRODUCTORY WEBINAR ON BEST PRACTICES WHEN APPLYING FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL.

APSIA's International Admissions and Operations Manager will answer questions about:

- Selecting a graduate program
- Preparing an application
- Paying for school
- Career opportunities

TFAS SUMMER INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ACADEMIC INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

TFAS (The Fund for American Studies) awards 25+ full tuition + housing scholarships based on *academic standing and need*. \$3750 to \$10350

Program components include:

- Getting course credit from *George Mason University*.
- Placement in a foreign policy or international affairs internship.
- Furnished on-campus housing in the heart of D.C.
- Professional development and networking activities.
- For more information about the program: <https://www.dcinternships.org/costs-scholarships/>

TWO-YEAR ICWA (INSTITUTE OF CURRENT WORLD AFFAIRS) FELLOWSHIP - *significant funding (varies by project and need)* <https://www.icwa.org/apply/>

The Institute of Current World Affairs Fellowship Program (ICWA) advances knowledge of global cultures and affairs for those early in their careers. Fellows spend 2 years living in a region and conducting independent research and writing.

- Fellows work with Executive Director to produce monthly dispatches made available to the ICWA community.
- ICWA provides full financial support for Fellows and their immediate families for the duration of the fellowship.

SIR, MENTAL HEALTH & CAREER DEVELOPMENT IN THE AGE OF COVID-19

To watch the webinar click [here](#)

THE TREASURY HEADQUARTERS [JUNIOR] FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER) Post graduate (undergrad or grad) federal employment opportunity lasting 1-4 years <https://www.treasury.gov/careers/hq-careers/Pages/DO-Fellows.aspx>

- Junior Fellows - graduate from undergraduate and graduate programs up to the Master's level.
- US citizen that meets the qualifications outlined in the U.S. Office of Personnel Management's Qualification Standards for the position
- May be extended up to the four-year limit *at the request of the sponsoring office*
- Provides for the recruitment of exceptional employees for careers in the public sector
- Offers developmental and professional experiences to those who have completed their formal education
- Involves a professional/industry exchange that brings experienced practitioners to the Department of the Treasury
- Fellows work in program areas, such as:
  - international finance and economics
  - economic and monetary affairs
  - international trade
  - banking and finance
  - tax policy
  - community development
  - public policy
  - accounting
  - investments
  - law enforcement
  - other appropriate related fields
  - Grades of these positions may range from GS-7 through GS-15 based on work-related difficulty, responsibility, and qualifications required for the job
- Deadline: None (rolling)
- Send application materials to [studentemployment@treasury.gov](mailto:studentemployment@treasury.gov)

- Point of Contact: Gilbert Tillman, (202) 927-4800

WOMEN IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE (WIIT) STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS: FUTURE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP \$1500

- ☞ WIIT merit-based scholarships are awarded twice per year to support and encourage women studying International Trade including commercial relations, trade policy and negotiations, economic development, women's economic empowerment, and more. Application Details and Form and Application Overview.
- ☞ Deadline: April 1st and November 1st. Winners notified: May 15th and December 15th, respectively. For questions, [info@wiittrust.org](mailto:info@wiittrust.org). Applicants must:
- ☞ Full-time or part-time undergraduate Juniors or Seniors or graduate students enrolled at an accredited U.S. university or college.
- ☞ Must *identify* as female.
- ☞ Awards are based on *the quality of the assigned essay* and the applicant's demonstrated interest in international trade.

Essays must be on a relevant international trade topic (see suggestions below) and can either be a bespoke essay submission or an appropriately formatted existing academic paper from current class work. Potential topics include:

- ☞ Trade & Development – trade policy impact on Sustainable Development Goals
- ☞ Trade & Empowerment – trade policy impact on gender diversity and economic empowerment
- ☞ Trade Agreements – select a current agreement and discuss trade impact on a specific industry and/or specific labor/workforce impact.
- ☞ US Trade policy – analyze current US trade agreement against defined US trade policy goals

Submissions **must be**:

- ☞ 5-10 **numbered** pages (exclusive of endnotes, bibliography, if used)
- ☞ Double spaced, 12 pt Times New Roman font
- ☞ in PDF form
- ☞ Submitted to [info@wiittrust.org](mailto:info@wiittrust.org)

Selected winners will receive \$1,500 and:

- ☞ One full year of personal mentorship by a WIIT Trust or a WIIT member.
- ☞ One full year of WIIT membership
- ☞ One WIIT program based on the topic of the winning essay with knowledgeable professionals from the WIIT community. Scholarship winner will have a visible opportunity to engage in a role in the panel discussion.

GETTING MORE ENERGIZED WHEN WORKING FROM HOME

*How to Intentionally Build Break Times into Your Workday* from [Fast Company](#). The article details how and when the best times are to take breaks during the day to avoid fatigue, reduce depression, and increase productivity. [Read](#) or [download](#) this article.

<https://mcusercontent.com/bfee1414a288959af497fb02a/files/055cbc17-5fac-4735-b3a3-f5f4e9910ae4/HowToScheduleIntentionalBreaksIntoYourWorkday.pdf>

LATINA MENTORSHIP WITH LATINA SPECIALISTS IN NATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

*En Voz Alta* <https://www.wand.org/en-voz-alta> knows that a comprehensive national security posture emphasizing diplomacy, **REDUCING** the threat of nuclear weapons, and reining in military spending is the most effective way to protect the US. It also knows that women are key to solving

the nation's toughest challenges. Latinas are woefully underrepresented in national security—but we are working to change that. **En Voz Alta pairs Latina mentors and allies from the peace and security community with early-career professionals and students attending US-based undergraduate / graduate schools to strengthen the pipeline of candidates entering the field.** For more information or to become a partner, email Andrea Pimentel, [apimentel@wand.org](mailto:apimentel@wand.org). Next deadline is December 2021. For a list of 2018-2020 mentor and mentee pairings, see: <https://www.wand.org/en-voz-alta> and [En Voz Alta Mentorship Program](#)

#### FIVE TIPS: SECURING THE BEST POSSIBLE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Association of Professional Schools in International Affairs' (APSIA) Executive Director Carmen Iezzi Mezzera gives advice on what students need to be thinking about as they ask professors (or other letter-writers) to write letters of recommendation on your behalf.

<https://www.careersingovernment.com/tools/gov-talk/about-gov/education/5-tips-for-a-quality-letter-of-recommendation/>

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS** - Sophomores are restricted to Adjunct Membership until their Junior year when they can apply to become full members per directions, below:

#### **I. Undergraduate Membership**

Undergraduate members are the driving force behind the success of the chapter. It is their energy and commitment combined with the experience of the faculty advisor that help fulfill the mission of Sigma Iota Rho. In order to qualify for undergraduate membership, students must meet the following criteria:

- Completed *[at least one year of core]* course work in international studies including courses in relevant subject areas of anthropology, economics, foreign languages, geography, history, political science, and other relate
- d disciplines;
- Junior standing and completion at least twelve [12] hours of course work toward the International Studies major or minor, including at least two courses at the 300 or 400 levels;
- **A cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or higher in all courses, and a grade point average of at least 3.4 in international studies courses;**
- Must maintain full-time student status of at least twelve (12) hours to be a voting member or hold an office.

#### **II. Adjunct Membership**

Adjunct membership is now available in response to the need to recognize the outstanding contribution and interest of some sophomore students in our chapters. Unlike other types of memberships that are lifetime, adjunct membership is limited to sophomores only and expires at the end of their sophomore year. Adjunct members do not qualify to run for an office. In order to be considered for adjunct membership, students must meet the following criteria:

- Completed course work in international studies including courses in relevant subject areas of anthropology, economics, foreign languages, geography, history, political science, and other related disciplines.
- Attained a sophomore standing and completed at least twelve (12) hours of course work towards International Studies major or minor.
- Demonstrated interest in Sigma Iota Rho through active participation in the Chapter activities.
- Plan to attain full membership upon qualification.

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