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## 1) GRADUATE STUDENT AND FACULTY PRESENT AT CEAMAG CONFERENCE



The College English Association Middle-Atlantic Group held its annual conference this past Saturday at the University of the District of Columbia. **MA student Ruth Popoola** and faculty members **Dr. David Kaloustian** and **Dr. Gibreel Kamara** presented their research on different panels. **Dr. Horacio Sierra** chaired a panel.

## 2) NEW INTERNSHIP: WHITE HOUSE HBCU INITIATIVE



The White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities offers part-time internships year round. Applicants who can commit to at least 20 hours a week and are available in Washington, DC at the U.S. Department of Education, Initiative headquarters will be considered. Interns at the Initiative are responsible for assisting the staff on a wide range of HBCU issues and priorities, including economic competitiveness, economic development, education, workforce diversity and workforce development. Interns, will help write memos, assist with communications and social media, coordinate and staff events, and conduct outreach to national and local HBCU organizations and leaders.

More information can be found here: <https://sites.ed.gov/whhbcu/category/funding/internship-scholarship/>

### 3) WRITING RETREAT FOR WOMEN OF COLOR



Jack Jones Literary Arts is hosting its second annual writing retreat at Blue Sky Retreat, Taos, New Mexico. This two-week retreat will be held October 13- 27, 2018, and is open exclusively to women of color. As part of the retreat experience, Jack Jones is featuring daily Skype master classes with agents, editors and acclaimed women in publishing to promote networking, learning and engagement.

Professional and emerging women writers of color at work on book projects are eligible for residencies. Women with and without MFAs are eligible, and graduate students who are currently enrolled in a degree program are now eligible to apply for a fellowship. All fellowships are fully funded and most have travel stipends. More info here: <http://www.jackjonesliteraryarts.com/the-retreat/>

### 4) SIGMA TAU DELTA HOSTS BOOK DRIVE FOR MEXICO CITY ORPHANAGE



Sigma Tau Delta is collecting books for La Esperanza Orphanage in Mexico City, which will be delivered to the orphanage in person by Dr. Horacio Sierra's SPAN 279: Study Abroad students on March 19. The orphanage is home to girls between the ages of 6 and 18, so please consider donating novels, picture books, comic books, graphic novels, etc. in English or Spanish that will appeal to readers in this age range.

Please donate your books in this box, created by MA student Shannon Ferguson, located in the English Department hallway.

### 5) INTERNSHIP OPPORUNITY: DONNA EDWARDS CAMPAIGN

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Students can earn credit for internships with our ENGL 383 course. Contact Dr. Sierra for more information.

### 6) DEPARTMENT SOCIAL – APRIL 3

We will host an informal social for students majoring or minoring in the Department of English and Modern Languages on April 3 from 3:30 to 4:30 in MLK 253. Please come and welcome students who are considering studying in our department. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

## 7) PAID INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY: SMITHSONIAN MUSEUM

Paid Internship for undergraduates in the arts and humanities  
Freer|Sackler Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC  
Summer 2018

### Description

This internship, generously funded by a grant from the Henry B. Luce Foundation, is intended to broaden opportunities for undergraduates who are passionate about a career in the arts, whose backgrounds or experiences are underrepresented in art museums, and who are committed to making museums more inclusive and pluralistic. Individuals from groups historically underrepresented in the curatorial field are especially encouraged to apply.

The Luce intern will work 8 to 12 weeks (June-August 2018) under the direction of the curator of American art and the department's curatorial research fellow, assisting with our *Whistler Watercolor Initiative* that includes an exhibition opening in 2019, print and on-line catalogues, and special programs. The intern will learn about all aspects of curatorial work and gain exposure to other professional and scholarly opportunities within the museum.

### Qualifications

Applicants must be pursuing or have just completed an undergraduate degree in the arts or humanities (e.g. art history, history, studio art, digital humanities, English, or American Studies); have a record of academic accomplishment; a strong interest in museum work; and possess excellent writing and oral communication skills.

### Compensation

The internship carries a stipend of \$500/week. Round trip travel to Washington, DC, will be reimbursed up to \$500. Housing is not provided.

### To apply

Submit as a single pdf:

- A short statement of 500-800 words outlining your interest in museum work and its relevance to your academic program and professional goals
- Resumé with current contact details
- Transcripts

Provide two confidential letters of recommendation, to be submitted via email directly by the recommender.

Send all materials to: [meyera@si.edu](mailto:meyera@si.edu) with the subject line: Luce Summer Internship in American Art by April 9, 2018.

Taylor Joyner, one of our most recent graduates, held this internship last summer! Students can earn credit for internships with our ENGL 383 course. Contact Dr. Sierra for more information.

## 8) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta is looking to welcome new members. The annual Induction Ceremony will be held April 24 5:00-6:00 in MLK 253.

Sigma Tau Delta will soon hold a book drive to collect books that will be donated to a girls orphanage in Mexico City as part of an upcoming Study Abroad trip.

Requirements for membership:

- Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.
- Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.
- Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$40 goes to Sigma Tau

Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate. The fee must be paid in cash.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please e-mail [hsierra@bowiestate.edu](mailto:hsierra@bowiestate.edu)

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