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Questions about the MA Program? Here’s Help.

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My weekly office hours for SPRING 2014 are Tuesdays, 2 to 3:15 pm.

I will hold additional office hours on the following dates:

Tuesday February 4, 2014  4:30 – 5:45 pm
Friday, February 14, 2014  10 – 11:45 am

2/15/14: deadline to apply for Spring/Summer Graduation (ASAP)

Thursday, February 27, 2014  2-4 pm
Tuesday, March 4, 2014  4:30 – 5:45 pm
Friday, March 28, 2014  10---11:45 am
Tuesday, April 1, 2014  4:30 – 5:45 pm ** FALL COMPS FORMS DUE 3/31/14
Monday, May 1, 2014  10 – 11:45 am
Tuesday, May 6, 2014  4:30 – 5:45 pm

I will also offer additional dates on a couple of Thursdays (Jan 30, Feb 27) so stay tuned for details

The Spring Research Conference offers graduate and undergraduate students pursuing majors in the College of Liberal and Fine Arts the opportunity to present their original work in a forum of interested and critically engaged minds that is at the same time welcoming and inclusive. It is an excellent chance to practice public speaking and presentation for those who will enter academic fields or careers where these skills are required. The one-day event includes sections for research papers, posters, multimedia presentations, creative writing, art, and musical performance and concludes with an awards ceremony where outstanding contributions in all categories are recognized. This year's conference will take place on Thursday, March 20th, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the University Center. Registration is January 6 – January 23, 2014.

See:  http://colfa.utsa.edu/colfa/conference
Nau Graduate Fellowship in History – for First-Year MA Students  **FEBRUARY 17, 2014 DEADLINE for all materials to be submitted.**

5–7 students will be selected to receive $8,000 to $12,000 each, per year

Graduate
Must be new student accepted into UTSA graduate program
3.5 GPA in last 60 hours
Full time

**Students with an interest in the U.S. Civil War Era or Texas History (including borderlands history) may be eligible for a two–year funding package that will include a Teaching Assistantship the second year** (application for 2 year package requires additional essay).

Click application link for more details: **Online application**

Application Requirements

- Minimum GPA of 3.5
- Enrolled full-time (9 hours)
- Brief Essay (700 words or less)  Discuss how a particular book or author has helped to shape your interest in history and in what ways the book or author encourages you to think broadly about an historical topic.
- Writing Sample of your academic work in History
- 2 Letters of Recommendation: from History faculty at previous graduate or undergraduate institution.

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Nau Teaching Assistantship in History:  **DUE: FEBRUARY 17, 2014**

4–6 Teaching Assistants will be selected and will receive $10,000 to $16,000 per year

1. TA's will be expected to work up to 19 hours per week assisting faculty mostly in upper division history courses.
2. Completed two long semesters in the UTSA History Graduate Program
3. 3.5 GPA in graduate history courses
4. Full–time (9 hours)
5. Completed (HIS 5023) Historical Methods AND (HIS 5113) Historical Approaches and Interpretations
6. Click application link for more details.  **Online application link to come shortly**
COLFA Semester in Urbino, Italy:
FALL 2014 History FOCUS

(3 history courses offered in Medieval, Renaissance, and Architectural History)

*Experience the Renaissance from the inside. Enjoy the art of Raphael in his own hometown. Get to know the fifteenth century intimately, from an Urbino perspective.

FACULTY FOR Fall 2014 includes: Dr. Anne Hardgrove, Department of History, UTSA

http://colfa.utsa.edu/urbino/about.html

Are you an undergraduate or graduate student in the College of Liberal and Fine Arts? Or are you a student from another college or university interested in taking COLFA courses?

Then come spend FALL 2014 semester abroad in the ancient walled city of Urbino, Italy, center of Renaissance literature, art, and culture. Study the Renaissance, visit the ducal palace, travel with your professors to Rome, Florence, Venice, and beyond.

ORIENTATION SESSION
Come learn about Studying History in Urbino program!
February 27, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. - MB 2.314

History Students receiving Nau Scholarships or Nau First-Year Fellowships are eligible to use their award while participating in the URBINO program.

UTSA Scholarships for the URBINO program are available at:

Are you on Facebook?  Join us!

UTSA History Club and Phi Alpha Theta

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UTSA Historians

History Club and Phi Alpha Theta provide students with opportunities for socializing around history-related events and activities. Looks great on a resume! Get involved! Email utsaphialphatheta@gmail.com for more information. The faculty advisor is Dr. John Reynolds.

Message from Fiona Foster, Phi Alpha Theta President 2013-14:

First day of Spring Semester is upon us and your officers have been busy planning out events and details for this semester! There are some important changes to announce so please read carefully.

As of today, ALL PAT members, in order to remain a member or become a member, you MUST attend a minimum of TWO events EACH semester. If you do not attend at least 2 events, you will no longer be a member or will not be initiated. Many of you are probably asking why, well this is because we have plenty of "members" in PAT, but when it comes to events and service projects nobody wants to participate. The point of being in an Honor Society is to be valuable member of an organization for professionals, not to just be a member so you can put it on your CV.

That being said we have many events in the pipeline for this semester. Your 2 events can be any PAT event or scholarly event that PAT is associated with. For example, if you attend a PAT meeting and a game night that is your two.

We will announce all events here on our facebook page and via email to our PAT members. This Spring we have a variety of events scheduled at all different times to ensure that our members can attend.

If you have any questions you can email us at utsaphialphatheta@gmail.com
GOT COMPS?

The GAR is currently accepting M.A. EXAMS forms for FALL 2014
Deadline to Apply for Fall 2014 Comps = March 31, 2014
Comps Date: FRIDAY, October 10, 2014
Email anne.hardgrove@utsa.edu to discuss arrangements.

Most students need about 2-3 weeks to complete their comps paperwork. It’s not too early to get started!

Don’t Forget to Graduate!

Students must apply to graduate through ASAP. Please make a note of these

Graduation Deadlines

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Is This My Shangri-La?

February 1, 2014 - April 20, 2014

New Texans come from many places. For some, the journey takes many years. "Is This My Shangri-La?" explores life in the Bhutanese refugee camps of Nepal. The camps represent a long stop on the road to Texas for a people forced out of their homes, losing nearly everything, sometimes even family. Images captured in these camps offer a glimpse of life as a refugee, as well as insight into how a people reconstructed their community, and preserved their culture in the face of life-changing events.

Dr. Lopita Nath teaches at the University of The Incarnate Word’s Department of History and the Asian Studies Program. The exhibit features approximately 100 photographs she took during two research trips to Nepal. Her teaching and research interests extend to Asian History and issues of migration, displacement, and refugees. She is presently working on a book about the Bhutanese refugee resettlement in the United States.

The Struggle for Civil Rights in Texas

January 11, 2014 - March 30, 2014

While the struggle for Civil Rights raged across the nation in the 1950s and 60s, leaders were emerging in Texas, seeking equality for African-American, Mexican-American and minority populations.

This project tells the story of civil rights across Texas, with information and visual documentation of major events, organizations, and leaders who have influenced civil rights from the nineteenth century to the present. Topics will include civil rights in education, labor, housing, and welfare.

The Struggle for Civil Rights in Texas is a student exhibit developed by UTSA art and history students studying the preparation of museum exhibits, including the research, visual records and presentation of the finished narrative.
27th Annual Asian Festival - Year of the Horse
February 1, 2014 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

About the Festival
The Institute of Texan Cultures invites Texas and Texans to the Asian Festival. What began as a traditional family reunion for the Chinese New Year has expanded to include other Asian communities and participants, showcasing their unique culture and traditions. The family-friendly event features music, cultural performances, food, fashion, crafts and other products. Guests can enjoy authentic Asian-American food from 15 vendors, offering Japanese, Korean, Thai, Laotian, Philippine and other delectable cuisines. Guests can also enjoy traditional Asian dance and musical performances on three separate stages; multicultural demonstrations of cooking, henna painting and palm reading; and craft sales including clothing, artworks, dolls, silk items and other gifts.

Festival Ticket Pricing
Adult (13 and older): Advance $8, Gate $10
Child (6-12): Advance $5, Gate $5
Children 5 and under free
Group rates available in advance only (10 attendees): $6/ea.

Advance tickets available at the ITC store

Click here for the 2014 poster

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Volunteer
Visit the Volunteer Information Center

Visitor Resources:
Download Asian Festival general information
Download the Asian Festival Menu
Visit the Asian Festival on Facebook!
EMPLOYMENT:

Become a Supplemental Instruction Leader:  [https://utsa.edu/trcss/si/becomesi.html](https://utsa.edu/trcss/si/becomesi.html)

Department of History Reader/Graders:  Contact Andrea Trease  458-4033

The Writing Center

Do you have a writing assignment? We can help! In fact, we can also help with cover letters, personal statements and other writing projects. The Writing Center supports the entire UTSA Community, including undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty/staff members. Our experienced tutors provide assistance with each step of the writing process: brainstorming, establishing a thesis, achieving coherence and unity, documenting, and revising. Our tutors do not edit or proofread your paper, but they will help you improve your own editing skills. We have two locations to serve you. Visit us at the Main Campus at the JPL (room 2.01.12D) or at the Downtown Campus at the Frio Street Building (FS 4.432). We also offer online tutoring. This summer we are introducing WCOnline, an online scheduling system. New visitors should register with WCOnline using the link on this page. Once registered, students can see our schedule and make appointments. Walk-ins are still welcome, but they must also register before seeing a tutor. If you have any questions about our new system, please call the Writing Center at (210)458-6086 or email me at martha.smith@utsa.edu. We look forward to seeing you in The Writing Center. **Martha Smith**

Associate Director

The Judith G. Gardner Center for Writing Excellence

PS. Some of our history students have worked as tutors at the Writing Center to help pay those bills!