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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY IN MINNESOTA

Greetings from Winona State University in Minnesota. Please click here to read our most recent newsletter which we hope will be helpful. If possible please make this available to prospective students. Since scholarships and financial issues are of most concern, we would like you to be aware that Winona State University offers two scholarships to international students. The scholarships are described as follows:

The cross cultural scholarship is awarded to all international students who are accepted for admission to WSU. It allows students to pay at the resident rate of tuition instead of the non-resident rate. We expect that resident tuition and fees for fall semester of 2009 will be approximately \$3,958.00. This scholarship is renewable until graduation if the student maintains a certain grade point and meets other criteria.

The Presidential Honor Scholarship (PHS) is fairly new and is available to entering freshman with no transfer credits. This scholarship is based on achieving a high TOEFL score. Complete information is available at www.winona.edu/international/9224.asp The PHS scholarship combined with the cross cultural scholarship offers a great advantage in terms of reducing the total cost of attending Winona State University.

For more information about Winona State and the international student program visit www.winona.edu/internationaloffice. We are also always happy to answer questions via email, fax or phone.

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II. News you can use

GO GREEN, AT OHLONE COLLEGE!

Ohlone College is a 2-year, public community college located between San Jose and San Francisco, California. Ohlone has recently introduced 2 new fields of study, in Environmental Science and Environmental Studies:

Environmental Science (Associate of Science) <http://www.ohlone.edu/instr/envstudies/as-envscience.html>

Environmental Studies (Associate of Arts) <http://www.ohlone.edu/instr/envstudies/aa-envstudies.html>

Students who complete either of these Associate degrees may transfer to a 4-year university in California, to complete their Bachelor degree studies. Universities Ohlone College international students are transferring to this Fall 2009 include U.C. Berkeley, U.C.L.A., U.C. Davis, U.C. Santa Barbara, San Jose State University and California State University, East Bay.

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ENGLISH ROUNDTABLE: "WORLD ENGLISH OR WORLD ENGLISHES" AND "L'ÉTAT DE LA LIBERTÉ DES MÉDIAS EN AFRIQUE FRANCOPHONE."

The English Roundtable webchat will feature Damon Anderson, who is the regional English language officer at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, China. It takes place on Tuesday, July 14 at 14:00 Beijing / 06:00 GMT.

During the French-language webchat, VOA journalist Ferdinand Ferella will explore the evolving media and communication space in Francophone Africa, noting strengths and weaknesses, with an eye toward future development. It takes place on Thursday, July 16 at 13:00 GMT.

To participate in these webchats, please go to:

<http://statedept.connectsolutions.com/englishroundtable>

<https://statedept.connectsolutions.com/africamedia/>

No registration is needed. Simply choose "Enter as a Guest," type in your preferred screen name and join the discussion. Questions and comments are accepted in advance of, and at any time during, the program.

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ACADEMIC EARTH

<http://academicearth.org/>

The entire Scout staff fell in love with this site the instant we found it. Academic Earth provides videos of lectures by top scholars in subjects that range from Astronomy to Entrepreneurship to Religion, and come from universities as celebrated as MIT, Berkeley, Harvard, and Stanford. Visitors must register to view the lectures, but registration is free. There are over 1500 video lectures available, with more being added everyday. Visitors can even keep a playlist or download their favorite lectures. The Scout staff has enjoyed making and sharing their playlists and we hope that you do as well.

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LABCAST: THE MIT MEDIA LAB VIDEO PODCAST

<http://labcast.media.mit.edu/>

The *Scout Report* recognized the fine work of the MIT Media Lab's Video Podcast website this past year, and the Lab was also awarded a prestigious Webby Award recently. *Scout Report* readers and anyone else with a penchant for technology and related matters will want to tune in to one of their almost forty podcasts. Visitors can sign up to receive new podcasts, and they'll want to do so after taking a look at just one initial offering. Some of the more notable recent additions include "Robots to the Rescue", "Synthetic Neurobiology", and "Selectricity", which offers some suggestions on "voting machinery for the masses."

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CARNEGIE REPORTER

<http://www.carnegie.org/reporter/index.html>

The Carnegie Reporter is the magazine of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, and the website for the magazine has the full-text of the print edition. The purpose of the magazine, in addition to Carnegie Corporation's grant making, is to be "a hub for ideas and a place where we could share ideas and strategies we are exploring." Not only is the magazine freely available online, a free subscription to the print edition is also available if visitors click on "Request", on the far lower left hand side of the homepage. The past seventeen issues, published in the spring and fall since 2000, are accessible online on the far left hand side of the page. The biannual publication focuses on projects the Carnegie Foundation is involved in funding, in part or in whole. Visitors shouldn't miss the condensed version of Colin Powell's speech on immigration, in February 2009, at the City College of New York's Colin Powell Center for Policy Studies. It is the feature on "The Back Page" of the current issue.

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