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The newsletter for students, staff and faculty of the Hutchins School of Liberal Studies at Sonoma State University

HUTCHINS SENIOR SHOWCASE & ZEPHYR RELEASE PARTY, MAY 1ST

The entire Hutchins community is invited to attend the Hutchins School Senior Showcase, to be held from 4pm to 6pm in Carson Hall #68 and the Carson Hall courtyards on May 1st, 2014. Envisioned as a way to give Hutchins Seniors a way to exhibit their senior capstone projects and portfolios, this showcase will feature the works of all students enrolled in Dr. Francisco Vazquez’s and Dr. Wendy Ostroff’s LIBS 402 classes, and Dr. Heidi LaMoreaux’s LIBS 403 class.

Prominently displayed will be a series of posters created by LIBS 402/403 students designed to highlight what their senior capstone project entailed, as well as handouts and brochures that summarize their work. Visitors are encouraged to visit with all Showcase participants, as the room will set up much like a traditional science fair with multiple stations featuring student projects. Showcase participants will be available to answer questions and give further details about their endeavors.

In addition to the Senior Showcase, Dr. Heidi LaMoreaux’s Literary Magazine class will debut this year’s issue of Zephyr. Copies of Zephyr will be available for purchase, and door prizes for attendees will be given away. Please stop by, view the projects, pick up a copy of Zephyr, and enjoy some refreshments—we look forward to seeing you at this special event!

SUMMER SESSION 2014 LIBS CLASSES OFFERED BY SSU EXTENDED EDUCATION

Hoping to get ahead in your studies or stay sharp over the summer? The LIBS class offered through SSU School of Extended Education will help you do just that. Classes being offered this summer include:

- LIBS 320A—Counter Cultures with Dr. Eric McGuckin; Monday through Thursday, May 27 - June 12, 1-5pm
- LIBS 320B—Projects WET, WILD and Learning Tree with Dr. Heidi LaMoreaux; Monday through Thursday, May 27 - June 12, 6-10pm
- LIBS 320C/D—Unblocking Creativity with Dr. Janet Hess; Monday through Thursday, May 27 - June 12, 8am-12pm
- LIBS 403—Study Away (for graduating Seniors only); May 20 to August 18
- LIBS 410—Independent Study; May 20 to August 18
- LIBS 499—Internship; May 20 to August 18

If you are interested in registering for any of the full session independent courses, please contact Dr. Heidi LaMoreaux for further information. For information about fees and registration, please visit the SSU Extended Education website at http://www.sonoma.edu/exed.

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PRE-COMMENCEMENT PARTY—MAY 10TH!

Stop by Carson Hall 68 from 1:30-2:30pm on May 10th for beverages, fruit, and sweets, just prior to the Arts and Humanities afternoon Commencement. Please indicate if you plan to attend this function on the sign-up sheet located in the Hutchins main office. A $5 donation would be greatly appreciated in order to offset expenses. There will also be space available in Carson 68 so that graduates may put on their caps and gowns prior to the ceremony. We look forward to seeing you there!
In an effort to assist the SSU student community by increasing the availability of required classes for graduation, The Hutchins School of Liberal Studies will offer LIBS 205: Topics in American Culture—Cultures of American Capitalism, this Fall semester. The class will be taught by Dr. Stephanie Dyer, and will be held in Ives Hall 101 on Friday afternoons from 1pm to 4:40pm. This course will examine the nature of American capitalism, past and present, in order to understand the causes and consequences of the economic difficulties and opportunities Americans face today.

As the case for Hutchins’ previously offered lecture classes, such as LIBS 204, Cultures of American Capitalism will fulfill the requirements for Hutchins Track I, II and III majors. LIBS 204 will now be called “Ethnicities in American Cinema,” and will be taught exclusively by Dr. Ajay Gehlawat. LIBS 205’s content will vary from year to year depending on the instructor that is teaching the course. Each Fall semester, a section of either LIBS 204 or LIBS 205 will be offered, and available to the entire SSU student community.

Currently, LIBS 205 is not listed in the SSU online schedule. Hutchins is still getting final approval for the class through faculty governance channels. LIBS 205 will be available in time for registration, and seats have been reserved for Hutchins majors.

If you are looking to fulfill your GE Area C2 requirements, please add LIBS 205 to your Fall schedule when it is made available. Please keep in mind that LIBS 204 will not be offered this Fall. Students are encouraged to contact the Hutchins Main Office at (707) 664-2491 if they have any questions regarding this new class or their current academic requirements.

Keep an eye on the Fall 2014 schedule to learn more about Hutchins’ new lecture class.