

Breaking Ground

International Studies and Public Policy Internship Newsletter



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Getting a security clearance is confusing. What is the difference between secret and top secret? Does a finsta work???

Take some advice from the pros: APSIA (The Association of Professional Schools of International Studies) has these tips to help you get your security clearance as soon as possible!

1) Track where you go, as you go

All time spent outside of the US in the last ten years must be reported. Record the day, month, and year when you begin and end a trip. Keeping up with where you live is just as important as travel, especially if you stayed in a place for 90 or more days. Document your addresses and the contact information of your landlord.

2) Remember who you know

Hiring agencies need to know about all of your interactions with non-US citizens. As you build relationships with people from outside the US, again note the day, month, and year when you began contact, as well as your last contact with them. As much as possible, learn about their affiliations with foreign governments or employers.

3) Maintain relationships

Identify three or more friends, colleagues, roommates, or other associates whose combined association with you covers at least the last seven years. They must be able to speak knowledgeably about you, your character, and your activities. Individuals who can speak to your conduct outside of the US could be particularly helpful.

4) Understand your financial situation

Employers realize that students and young professionals may have debt related to their education, living expenses, or other needs. However, agencies may see considerable debt as a leverage point that could be used against you by foreign entities. Keep close watch on your finances and credit score. Know exactly how much debt you have.

5) Safeguard your social media

Google yourself to see what others will find out about you. Establish strict online settings. Do not include your address, birth year, or other personal information in a profile. Do not download files illegally. Truly erasing information once it exists is incredibly difficult. While private settings are not fool-proof, they can help to reduce your exposure. Think before you post. Be careful when sharing photos of yourself and loved ones. Consider what news and stories you share online and how they reflect on you and your potential employer. Know who follows you. These contacts may also have to be reported during the clearance process.

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Upcoming Events

Korbel Career Conversation with the City and County of Denver

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

12:00pm - 1:30pm

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DENVER
THE MILE HIGH CITY

Come and join alumni from the City and County of Denver for lunch and a conversation about their positions. Denver boasts 300 days of sunshine annually, the largest city park system in the nation with 2,500 acres of natural areas, the second largest performing arts center in the country, and so much more! Being the best place to live isn't easy; maintaining such a reputation means we need the best people working for the residents of Denver.

Please visit [PCO](#) to register for and/or find more information for this event

Etiquette Dinner

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

5:30pm - 8:00pm

Joy Burns Center

Students will have the opportunity to learn the basics of dining etiquette while enjoying a 3-course meal and gaining tips and connections from alumni table hosts and staff presenters. Business professional attire is requested. Check in begins at 5:30 with the program and dinner starting at 6:00pm.

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Cultural Center Career Studio

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

2:30pm - 4:00pm

DU Cultural Center, 1927 York Street

Graduating? Looking for a job? Applying to internships? Just want to talk about some ideas for what you may want to do with your life? Visit the Cultural Center for Career

Studio! Career Studio is an informal drop-in space to ask your questions about careers and internships, as well as work on job/internship applications with a career advisor available to help. If you have specific questions about the role of identity or intersectionality in the job search, or finding a career doing diversity or social justice work, this is the perfect time to drop by and ask.

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Featured Internships

US Senate Campaign Internship

Diana Bray for Senate

Deadline: April 30, 2020

University of Denver alum, Diana Bray, is running for the 2020 Senate Democratic nomination for what is considered the most flippable US Senate seat in the country - the US Senate seat currently held by Cory Gardner in Colorado. Diana is looking for up to 4 student interns to work at an intensive political internship over the course of the winter quarter. Students interested in politics, the environment, sustainability, health care, reducing gun violence, racial inequity and immigrant rights would be a good fit. Diana's team is small, grassroots, and dedicated, so this experience will be much more hands on than a typical campaign. No prior political experience is needed - just a passion for the progressive issues that Diana is advocating for. For more information and to apply, visit [PCO](#).

CGD 2020 Summer Delegates Program Intern

Center for Global Development - Washington DC

Deadline: March 15, 2020

The Summer Delegates Program is CGD's initiative aimed at establishing the next wave of young leaders in economic equality and global development. Students will participate in a structured, paid, part-time internship program that will expose them to our work in various issue areas; provide an opportunity for professional development; and invite them to consider a career in development. Through this 8-week program, CGD hopes to gain diverse perspectives and build a new network of young professionals who may become part of the development community. For more information and to apply, visit [PCO](#).

Case Management Intern

International Rescue Committee - Denver, CO

Deadline: Rolling

The case management team is the first point of contact for newly arrived refugees and offers support, guidance and counseling through all stages of resettlement. The Case Management Intern position is an opportunity for individuals to learn about the various services. Caseworkers provide to newly arrived refugees. Interns are encouraged to assist clients in the field while also shadowing Caseworkers and learning about the documentation of all services provided. Case Management Interns will assist Caseworkers in delivering direct client services, especially within the clients' first three months of resettlement. For more information and to apply, visit [PCO](#).

Spotlight on...

Sporadic Opportunities!

Alright, you caught me. This is less a spotlight than several high power flashlights.

Market Fellow, Regional Advancement & Volunteer Engagement - PAID

Advancement efforts at DU have a tremendous impact through our relationships with DU's remarkable students, dedicated donors, inspiring alumni, engaged families, and wonderful friends. Advancement is strategically engaging the global Pioneer family to support and advance the University. In Denver, our team consists of three full-time staff members, along with a part-time Market Fellow, who manage Denver engagement and volunteer management. The 2020-2021 Regional Market Fellowship is July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. This Fellowship is a yearlong opportunity for a recent DU graduate to experience the work of a fast-paced Advancement office while simultaneously building their professional network, exploring a geographic market of interest, and gaining valuable work experience and skills. *This is a great position for graduating seniors looking to stay in Denver.* For more information, see the PDF attached to the email.

AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps, a voluntary civil society program supported by the U.S. federal government, foundations, corporations, and other donors engaging adults in public service work with a goal of "helping others and meeting critical needs in the community," has a ton of positions open around Colorado. For a full list, visit [this website](#). If you or anyone you know is interested in these positions, please contact Alaigra Usher at ausher@compact.org. She will be able to assist with any questions you may have.

2020 Advocacy Summit -- Save the Children

Washington DC

Save the Children Action Network will host its annual [National Advocacy Summit in Washington, DC April 26-28, 2020](#). They are currently [accepting applications](#) for this Summit from *DU freshman, sophomore and junior students*. At the Summit, students will have the chance to hear from national experts regarding early learning; and international issues. You will learn more about SCAN's advocacy efforts as part of the Stop the War on Children campaign, and efforts to protect children crossing the US Border, for example. Participants will also have the chance to network with students and volunteers from around the country, learn advocacy skills, and spend a day on Capitol Hill meeting with members of the US Congress and/or their staff. This is an excellent opportunity for students interested in education, early learning, international development, advocacy, public policy, political science, sociology, and community organizing.

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