In December 2011, the White House launched the Startup America Policy Challenge, asking entrepreneurs and the American public how to knock down barriers to innovation in healthcare IT, clean energy, and learning technologies. In response, the Arizona State University (ASU) School of Public Affairs is leading a network of schools (including Maxwell!), scholars, and problem-solvers from across the country in the design and operation of a contest to generate the best solutions. Finalists of the contest will be invited to Washington, DC to present their ideas to a panel of expert judges from business and academia, as well as meet with principals from the relevant agency (Dept. of Health and Human Services, Dept. of Education, or Dept. of Energy) to discuss their proposals.

**Phase I: Identify Opportunities and Barriers (Dec 2011)**
Entrepreneurs and the American public are invited by the U.S. Chief Technology Officer to identify ways that the federal government might unleash new market opportunities in three industries of national priority: healthcare, energy, and education. You can participate in Phase I by responding to a post from Aneesh Chopra, the U.S. Chief Technology Officer, [here](http://policychallenge.asu.edu/).

**Phase II: Initial Responses (Jan-Feb 2012)**
Collaborating with a network of schools and scholars, the ASU School of Public Affairs will host a competition for teams of solvers to address the problems and opportunities posted in Phase I. Each team will submit a very brief policy proposal here on this website.

**Phase III: Full Responses (March-April 2012)**
High-potential solutions from Phase II will be invited to submit detailed policy proposals to unleash new market opportunities, within the constraint of administrative actions that require no legislation or special appropriations. In this phase, invited teams will elaborate on their Phase II ideas, paying particular attention to feasibility of the idea. The winning plans will be shared with the relevant Cabinet Secretary: Secretary Kathleen Sebelius (Dept. of Health and Human Services), Secretary Arne Duncan (Dept. of Education), or Secretary Steven Chu (Dept. of Energy). Finalists of the contest will also be invited to Washington, DC, where they will have the opportunity to meet in person with agency principals to discuss their ideas.

**Eligibility and Participation:**
Ideas from entrepreneurs in the health, energy, and education sectors are especially welcome in Phase I. In Phases II and III, analysts from universities, think tanks, and other policy-minded organizations are encouraged to participate. We especially encourage [undergraduate and graduate students to form teams and submit responses](http://policychallenge.asu.edu/).

**Judging:**
Judges will include high-profile individuals with experience in government, academia, and the private sector.

**Primary goals:**
- Engage a large number of entrepreneurs and citizen problem-solvers in identifying addressable policy challenges in areas of national priority.
- Engage a large number of policy-minded citizens and students in developing rigorously researched solutions.
- Enrich the diversity and substance of innovative new policy ideas from outside of government.

For more information, visit: [http://policychallenge.asu.edu/](http://policychallenge.asu.edu/)
**Saturday, January 21**
- **Theatre for Social Justice Workshop**
  The La Casita Cultural Center will present an introductory workshop on the use of theatre as a means for social change. To register, email lacasita@syr.edu.
  10:00am–4:00pm
  109 Otisco St., Syracuse

**Monday, January 23**
- **Healthy Monday Yoga**
  Free Yoga class. Please bring your own towel or mat.
  10:00–11:00am
  302 Schine
- **Meditation Monday**
  Come relax and de-stress with this free meditation class.
  12:00–1:00pm
  Hendricks chapel (small chapel on lower level)
- **Move it Monday Fitness Class**
  Free fitness class for Move It Monday.
  4:00–5:00pm
  Flanagan Fitness Room

**Tuesday, January 24**
- **Add deadline**
  Last day to add courses and adjust your schedule online through MySlice.
- **South Asia Center presents: Anoop Sadanandan**
  “Political Economy of Suicide: Why Do Farmers in India Commit Suicide?”
  12:30–1:30pm
  341 Eggers Hall
- **“Taming Entitlement Costs: A Federal and State Perspective”**
  A Maxwell School Discussion with Professor Leonard Burman and alumna Koy Dever.
  8:00pm
  Lubin House, 11 East 61st St. NYC

**Wednesday, January 25**
- **Peer to Peer Series “Will Iraq be better or worse off after the U.S. withdrawal?”**
  with Humphrey Fellow Hazim Mahmoud Hamed.
  12:30–1:30pm
  204 Maxwell Hall
- **South Asia Center presents: Hindi-Urdu Table**
  5:30–6:30pm
  307 Tolley Hall

**Thursday, January 26**
- **PARCC Conversations in Conflict Studies**
  Kendall Phillips, Associate Dean and Professor, Communication & Rhetorical Studies, will speak.
  12:00 p.m.
  400 Eggers Hall
- **Moynihan European Research Centers present: Turkish Table**
  5:00–6:00pm
  341 Eggers Hall

**Friday, January 27**
- **The Photographer as a Child: Memories from Guatemala**
  La Casita Cultural Center will present the opening reception for an exhibition of work of Efren Lopez. The exhibition will be on display Jan. 27 through May 10. Gallery Hours: 12-6pm M-F.
  5:30–8:00pm
  109 Otisco St., Syracuse

**Tuesday, January 31**
- **Grading Option Deadline**
  Last day to file for AUDIT.

**Wednesday, February 1**
- **The Institute for the Study of Judiciary, Politics, and the Media (UPM) spring lecture series presents: “Press Freedom and Media Development”**
  Marguerite H. Sullivan, Senior Director of the Center for International Media Assistance
  4:00-5:15pm
  Room 204, College of Law
- **Russian Language Table**
  Join us to have some Russian tea and practice your Russian.
  5:30–6:30pm
  341 Eggers Hall
- **A Conversation with Steve Stoute**
  Steve Stoute is the Founder & current CEO of the advertising firm Translation and the brains behind iconic campaigns for McDonald’s, HP, State Farm, Coca-Cola, DSW, Wrigley, Microsoft, Target, Reebok and Tommy Hilfiger, to name a few.
  6:00pm
  Joyce Hergenhan Auditorium, Newhouse III
- **Campbell Institute presents: Increasing Taxes on the Wealthy**
  A public debate with panels of thought leaders arguing for each side.
  7:00pm with reception to follow
  Hosmer Auditorium, Everson Museum, Syracuse
  RSVP to campbell@maxwell.syr.edu
References to Job# come from the Maxwell School Career Management System.

NOTE UPCOMING DEADLINES!!!!
01/20/12: USDA International Agricultural Internship Program
01/20/12: Veterans Health Administration Graduate Healthcare Administration Training Program—Administrative Resident/Fellow
01/22/12: White House Summer Internship
01/24/12: U.S. Army War College, Peacekeeping and Stability Operations Institute Internship
*Internal review through INSCT. Contact Nicholas Armstrong for more information.
01/27/12: City of Olathe, Kansas Internship (Job#821)
01/27/12: Management Assistant Program, City of Long Beach, CA (Job#809)
01/30/12: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, NNEMS Fellowship Program
01/31/12: NATO Defense College Internship Programme (fall in Rome)
01/31/12: USAID Global Health Fellows II Summer Internship Deadline
* Free Internship Webinar on 1/24/12! Check online for more information.
01/31/12: World Bank Summer Internship
02/01/12: European Parliament Traineeship (Deadline for unpaid summer traineeship)
02/01/12: Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship (Job#739)
02/01/12: The Heritage Foundation Summer Internship
02/01/12: Cato Institute Summer Internship-Non-US Citizen application deadline
02/01/12: Center for International Private Enterprise Summer Internship
02/01/12: Edmond J. Safra Lab Fellowships and Projects, Center for Ethics at Harvard (Job#815)
02/01/12: International Atomic Energy Agency Summer Internship
02/01/12: Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) Internship Programme (Belgium)
02/01/12: UN Office at Vienna and UN Office on Drugs and Crime Summer Internship (6 month req.)
02/01/12: UN Office at Nairobi, UN Environment Programme, UN-HABITAT Summer Internship
02/01/12: UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific Sum. Internship (Bangkok)
02/01/12: USAID Indonesienda Summer 2012 Internship (Job#742)
02/01/12: Washington International Trade Association Summer Internship
02/01/12: Building Excellent Schools Fellowship (Job#756) - on-campus interview 2/8!
02/07/12: Management Internship w/ The Port Authority of NY & NJ (Job#818)
02/10/12: Freedom House Africa Internship
02/15/12: Brookings Institution—check individual listings for specific summer deadlines
02/15/12: Children’s Defense Fund Summer Internship
02/15/12: Washington Delegation of the European Commission Summer Internship
02/17/12: US Department of Energy Headquarters Summer 2012 STEP Positions—visit USAJobs
02/21/12: Office of National Drug Control Policy Sum Internship, Executive Office of the President
02/22/12: Capital Fellows Program, California State University (Job#797)
02/24/12: Asian Development Bank Internship Program
02/24/12: Economics for Equity & Environment Summer Internship
02/24/12: Walter O. Spofford, Jr., Memorial Internship—Graduate Paid Summer Internship on Chinese Environmental Issues
02/28/12: U.S. Department of Justice Volunteer Summer Internship (Job#545)
02/29/12: Congressional Budget Office (Job#223)
03/01/12: The Carter Center Summer Internship (Atlanta, GA)
03/01/12: The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities Summer Internship
03/01/12: Cato Institute Summer Internship-US Citizen Deadline
03/01/12: IDB Young Professionals Program Registration Deadline (24-month contract)
03/01/12: Migration Policy Institute Summer Research Internship
03/01/12: NASA Summer Internship
03/01/12: UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia Summer Internship (Beirut)
03/01/12: UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean Internship (Santiago)
03/01/12: UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Summer Internship
03/06/12: Health Communications Internship Program w/ National Institutes of Health/NCI*
* Contact alumna Energia Rivera for more information on this year-long paid internship/fellowship.
03/15/12: The Center for Strategic and International Studies Summer Internship
03/15/12: European Parliament Traineeship (application period opens for paid fall traineeship)
03/15/12: Helsinki Commission on Security & Cooperation in Europe Summer Internship
03/15/12: Latin America Working Group Summer Internship
03/15/12: National Organization for Women Summer Internship
03/15/12: National Security Archive Summer Internship
03/16/12: Center for International Policy Summer Internship

Please note that many organizations have no formal deadline and they consider applications on a rolling basis.

Also note that this list is by no means comprehensive, so check other deadlines with the organizations directly.
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Vacancy Announcement: US Department of State General Services Officer
*A master’s degree in the field of public administration may substitute for one year of experience—see terms of reference online.
Apply before January 24, 2012!!!
Duty locations are available worldwide.

Applications for Summer 2012 in Bosnia, Rwanda & NYC—Deadline Jan 30th!
Global Youth Connect, an international human rights education and activism organization based in NYC, is accepting applications from young leaders for its Summer 2012 international human rights programs, which will take place in Bosnia, Rwanda, and in New York City. To learn more go to http://www.globalyouthconnect.org/participate.html.

Boren Fellowships
Graduate fellowships to pursue language study abroad.
Proposals are due January 31st.
Contact Susan Wadley for more information or visit www.borenawards.org.

College of Law launches LL.M. program
The Master of Laws (LL.M.) for foreign students at Syracuse University College of Law is a new 24-credit-hour graduate program designed to offer students with a foreign (non-U.S.) law degree or its equivalent, advanced study in American law. Applications are being accepted through May 15, 2012, for students entering in fall 2012.
“We believe in the international exchange of ideas and we are dedicated to welcoming students to this program from varied legal backgrounds and nations,” says Aviva Abramovsky, associate professor of law, associate dean for special projects and director of the LL.M. program. “Whether you are seeking a comprehensive overview of the American system of laws or seek to specialize in concentrated areas of coursework, our one-year LL.M. program will provide you with that knowledge and expertise.”
In this one-year residential program, students will take two foundational courses together, one to introduce students to basics of the American legal system, and a second in legal writing, with a third required research seminar of their choice. The remainder of the program allows students to tailor their own experience in the LL.M. from among the diverse courses offered at the College of Law.
The Syracuse Law LL.M. program is exclusively available to graduates in law from foreign academic institutions or those who are otherwise licensed to practice law in their home jurisdictions. Individuals from diverse legal backgrounds, including corporate, government and private practice, judicial and academic, are encouraged to apply.
To learn more about the Syracuse University College of Law LL.M. program visit www.law.syr.edu/llm-admissions or email llmadmissions@law.syr.edu.

SU Abroad Application Deadlines are Approaching!!!
Summer 2012: Feb. 20th
Fall 2012: March 15th
Take this opportunity to explore your world through unique coursework, internships and field research opportunities around the globe!
Check out SU Abroad online at http://suabroad.syr.edu/

GSO TRAVEL GRANT
SU graduate students attending professional conferences relevant to their field can apply for a travel subsidy of up to $300 to be used toward transport/hotels/conferences to help defer costs.
Travel between 1/16 and 05/31. Applications are due by February 15th!
Get more info
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Opportunities for Graduate Students

FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS!
Journal of Public and International Affairs (JPIA)

One last call for papers! Did you slave over a research or policy paper last semester, only to have it not get the full appreciation it deserved? Why not submit it to get published to a very popular journal? The deadline for papers for JPIA is next Friday, January 20, 2012. We’re looking for policy papers (about 6,000 words) and policy articles (about 1,500 words) for this student-edited publication put out by Princeton University. Ishrat Saleem and Thomas Dannan will work with you to hone your paper and increase its chances for success. Papers should be both well-researched and have good policy recommendations. Email submissions to Ishrat (isaleem@syr.edu) and Tom (tfdannan@syr.edu) ASAP so they can work with you to review and edit before the final submission deadline. For more info check out http://www.princeton.edu/jpia/.

International Affairs Review—Call for Submissions

IAR is an academic, student-run publication of The George Washington University’s graduate program at the Elliott School of International Affairs in Washington, D.C. IAR provides a unique forum for the policy perspectives of tomorrow’s leaders on critical issues facing the world today. IAR Journal accepts the following types of submissions: 1) Policy-oriented Research Articles (3,500-5,000 words), 2) Analytical Commentary (3,000 words or less), and 3) Book Reviews (800 words or less). For further Information, please contact iar@gwu.edu. Deadline: February 18th, 2012. For more information visit http://www.iar-gwu.org.

Volunteer request: If you are able to volunteer 2/1 at 5:30pm please email Ben Lingeman. Pizza provided to volunteers. Be part of this wonderful event!

*Cropping Taxes on the Wealthy* a public debate...

February 1st, 2012 at 7pm, reception following. Held at the Hosmer Auditorum, Everson Museum, 201 Harrison St., Syracuse. To ensure a seat, please RSVP to campbell@maxwell.syr.edu. For the affirmative: Leonard Burman, Jennifer Hamlin- Navias and Eliot Spitzer. For the negative: John DeFrancisco, Kevin Hassett, and Deborah Warner. Don’t miss this lively and informative debate!

Syracuse, NY—Graduate Student Volunteer Research Opportunity

Moynihan NGO Fellow Spring 2012

The Transnational NGO Initiative hosts one senior transnational NGO leader each year through our Moynihan NGO Fellows program. This year the fellow is Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, General Secretary, World Young Women’s Christian Association (YWCA). While at Moynihan she will research the issue of Shared, Intergenerational and Transformative Leadership. We are seeking students who are interested, on a voluntary basis, to do preparatory literature research and —possibly—primary data gathering for Nyaradzayi from mid-February til late March. The commitment is for 5 hours per week for at least four weeks. For more information on the position and application requirements, please visit the TNGO Initiative site at: http://www.maxwell.syr.edu/moynihan/tngo/TNGO_Updates/Voluntary_Research_Opportunity_for_Students/

Apply by January 31st.

Eastern Europe & Eurasia—Apply for Short-term Travel Grants

IREX 2012-2013 Short Term Travel Grants Program

This research support program offers US scholars and professional the opportunity to conduct policy-relevant research in Eastern Europe and Eurasia. Researchers are also able to increase their understanding of current regional issues, develop and sustain international networks, and directly contribute to the formation of US public policy by conducting research on topics vital to the academic and policy-making communities. Postdoctoral scholars and professionals with advanced degrees are eligible. Applicants must be US citizens. Information and application: http://www.irex.org/project/short-term-travel-grants-stg.

Application deadline is 5 p.m. EST on February 1, 2012.