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Welcome back from OACS



Fall semester is here, how did it arrive so fast!? Summer was great, and now that it's behind us, the country, the Vanderbilt Community, and OACS are all on the threshold of a dynamic time in our nation's history where active citizenship and community engagement are more important than ever. OACS is always at your service and we look forward to another semester of interacting with all of you amazing folk who do so much good through the various ways in which you serve locally in our community, as well as nationally and abroad. Welcome back!

Upcoming OACS Events

September 5th, 6:00-8:00pm – Local OACS DIVE Meaningful Service Insitute

September 7th – 2:00-4:30pm – OACS Service Organization and Community Partner Fair

September 17th – 23rd – Constitution Week

September 21st – International Day of Peace

September 22nd – 25th – Fall Weekend of Service

September 25th – Voter Registration Day

September 27th, 5:00-7:00pm – Nichols Humanitarian Fund Reception

Welcome Tiffany! OACS New Graduate Assistant



OACS is thrilled to welcome our new Graduate Assistant, Tiffany Vazquez.

Nichols Humanitarian Fund Blog



This year, 42 awards were distributed to students completing humanitarian work in 14 host countries. To read more about the Nichols fund, please visit the Nichols Fund website. To read about students' experiences this summer, please visit the 2017 Nichols Humanitarian Fund blog page.

Nichols Humanitarian Fund Reception



Join OACS on Wednesday September 27th from 5:00-7:00pm for the annual Nichols Humanitarian Fund Reception. Refreshments will be served.

OACS Global Service-Learning Programs



Thank you to all the students who participated in a global program this summer! Check out students' blogs and the Global OACS website to learn more.

VIEW Summer 2017



Fifteen student participated in the <u>Vanderbilt Internship Experience in</u> <u>Washington, D.C. (VIEW)</u> program this year to explore careers in public

service. Click here to read blog posts written by the members of the 2017 VIEW cohort.

Student Service Organization and Community Partner Fair



The annual OACS Service Organization Fair will take place on Thursday, Sept. 7 in the SLC Ballroom from 2:00 – 4:30 PM.

Local OACS DIVE Update



Two <u>Local OACS DIVE</u> programs will begin this fall semester, providing selected students with the opportunity to dig deeper into the topics of Affordable Housing and Food Waste/Food Deserts.

Fall Weekend of Service



OACS invites the campus community to participate in the Fall 2017 Weekend of Service Sept. 22-24.

Constitution Week Proposals

Constitution Week is coming up September 17th – 23rd. Please reach out to Clive Mentzel at <u>clive.mentzel@vanderbilt.edu</u> with proposals for events to be included in Constitution Week.





Many thanks to the 94 students who attended the Service Leaders Conference!

Student Involvement Fair



OACS had a wonderful time tabling at the Student Involvement Fair on Friday. Thank you to all who stopped by the table!

Call for First Year Student Representatives for the OACS Student Advisory Board

The Office of Active Citizenship and Service invites first year students to apply to serve with the OACS Student Advisory Board.

OACS Vehicle Loan Program

The OACS Vehicle Loan Program offers students access to 6 vehicles for transportation to service sites. For information on how to register to become an OACS certified driver, please visit our <u>website</u>.

Vanderbilt Incident Response for Travel



<u>Vanderbilt Incident Response for Travel (VIRT)</u> is dedicated to providing safetyrelated guidance and assistance for members of the Vanderbilt University community who are traveling away from campus on VU-related travel.

Student Service

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vanderbilt



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vanderbilt is having an interest meetings on Tuesday August 29 or Tuesday September 12 at 6 p.m. in Buttrick 202. There will be pizza!

Fundraising Efforts for Flooding in Sierra Leone

Sierra Leone, a small country on the western coast of Africa, faces devastation after the capital city of Freetown was struck by a deadly mudslide on the morning of August 14th. Partners in Health Engage Vanderbilt is determined to support Sierra Leone and provide quality medical care to people who desperately need it.

Donations will be collected at Rand Wall from August 28th through September 8th or received through Venmo (@pihengagevandy).

Community News

Library Fellowship Program



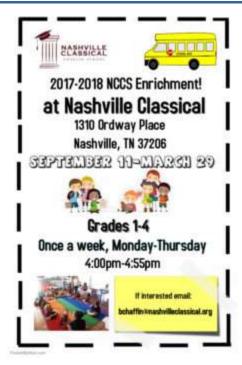
The Library is looking for a few undergraduates to serve as paid fellows this fall.

Cheekwood Seeking Interns



Cheekwood Botanical Gardens and Museum of Art offers internships for students seeking to build their professional experience in museum work.

Nashville Classical Charter School Seeking Volunteer Enrichment Teachers



Nashville Classical Charter School is seeking volunteers to partner with staff at Nashville Classical to teach enrichment courses for grades 1-4 once a week.

Salama Urban Ministries Seeking Volunteers



Salama Urban Ministries is seeking volunteer tutors weekly and bi-weekly.

Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation Seeking Volunteers

The Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation of Chicago is hosting its fourth biennial international health care conference on pulmonary fibrosis from November 9-11 in Nashville. The Foundation is looking for approximately 15 people to serve as wayfinders during the Summit.

Fundraising Platform Seeking Ambassador

Givebutter, a social crowdfunding platform for student organizations and nonprofits, is seeking to hire a student ambassador.

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