Updates for the week of November 8, 2010

STUDENTS TALK BACK
Brown Bag Lunch Series

Midterm 2010:
USC/LA Times Poll Finds Truth in Politics
Tues., Nov. 9th
11:30am-1:00pm

USC Fishbowl Chapel
(at the University Religious Center)
FREE lunch will be served.

What’s the meaning of this election? What’s the number one reason people voted? If you think it’s as simple as jobs, jobs, jobs, think again! USC students worked diligently with the Los Angeles Times to uncover who mattered and what mattered in the 2010 elections in California. At this special lunch event, USC students share their personal experiences and insights about working on this election season poll.

Panelists include Cathy Decker, Politics Desk, Los Angeles Times; and student pollsters Melinda Amato, Jorge Castro, Jose Garcia, Arin Ghosh, Nikolos Hulewsky, and Roza Pygahmarzadeh. Co-moderated by Jane Junn, Research Director, USC/LA Times Poll; and Lucy Mueller, Managing Editor, Daily Trojan.

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Brown Bag Lunch Series
The USC Internship Experience:
Your Career’s First Step
Tues., Nov. 16th
11:30am-1:00pm

at the Fishbowl Chapel
(at the University Religious Center)
FREE lunch will be served.

Unemployment rates among recent college graduates are rising. Average starting salaries are dropping. And entry-level jobs increasingly attract overqualified applicants. Now, more than ever, a blank resume leads to a blank paycheck. So how can an internship help you take the first step in your career and put some practical application behind that Political Science degree? Join us on Tuesday, November 16th to learn about the USC internship experience, and hear from past and present interns sharing their stories. Through their experiences, and the Unruh Institute’s internship program, you can get the competitive edge, contacts, and resume building skills you’ll need to land that first elusive job. Come out and learn how!

Panelists include internship providers Matt Rodriguez, Democratic Strategist, Dewey Square Group; and Alex Comisar, Internship Supervisor, Fiona Hutton & Associates; and past and present interns Marisa Varond, Policy Intern, LA Chamber of Commerce; Shannon Lacy, Deputy Volunteer Coordinator, Boxer 2010 Mid-Term Election Post-Mortem
Wed., Nov. 17th
SGM 101
7:00pm-9:00pm

Refreshments will be served.

On Election Day, despite tremendous Republican gains throughout the US, California remained tried-and-true blue. Join us for two panels of experts offering insights and analysis of the choices Californians made during this Election cycle. The panels will focus not only on results, but also on policy outcomes and issue priorities for the new leadership. One panel discussion will be devoted to the CA Propositions and another to the Gubernatorial and Senate races.
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