



THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH
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School of Economics Student Newsletter



Welcome to the School of Economics Student Newsletter

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Happy New Year!

We hope you all had a lovely break and we'll see you back next week.

In the meantime, here are some things that might be of interest.

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Proposed Changes to First and Second Year Curriculum



Following a review of our undergraduate programmes last year, the School's Teaching and Learning Committee has drawn up proposals to reform the teaching of economics, and mathematical and statistical methods for economics in first and second year.

We are keen to listen to your views on these proposals and have arranged a meeting on **Monday 20 January from 13:00-14:00 in the George Square Lecture Theatre** to discuss our ideas with you. All are welcome.

Note that the changes would be introduced in a sequenced manner for students entering first year in 2014-15 at the earliest, and so would not alter the curriculum for current first students entering second year in 2014-15.

Warwick Economics Summit 7-9 February



The Warwick Economics Summit features world-renowned figures, engaging debates and educational workshops that may be of interest to you.

In the past their speakers have included such distinguished names as George Akerlof, Vince Cable, Steven Landsburg and John Nash, which has helped make the summit one of the largest student run academic conferences in Europe, attracting over 400 students from all over the globe.

Over the space of three days from the **7th-9th of February** the summit will also consist of a meet and greet event for external students as well as a summit ball to bring together all attendees for a three course dinner as well as a chance to socialise with other passionate social scientists. Tickets start from £45 and are available [online](#).

The summit is an exciting opportunity for you to hear from distinguished speakers and help you become even more passionate and knowledgeable about the wider implications of economics.

All the details about the summit can be found at www.warwickeconomicssummit.com.

Fully funded PhD research grants at the European University Institute



European University Institute's (EUI) [Doctoral Programmes](#) in [Economics](#), [History and Civilization](#), [Law](#) and [Political and Social Sciences](#) are now open. The deadline for submitting applications for the academic year 2014/2015 is **31 January 2014**.

The **EUI is a unique academic institution with one of the world's largest doctoral and postdoctoral programmes in the social sciences**. Our intellectual community comprises of more than 1000 scholars from over 60 countries. Located in Florence, Italy, the EUI offers a structured doctoral programme with excellent supervision and opportunities to participate in cutting-edge research that transcends national academic traditions.

Since its establishment 40 years ago, the Institute has been committed to fostering the advancement of research in fields which are of particular interest for the development of Europe. The EUI is proud of bringing together top academics from all over the world in an international research and teaching environment to train the next generation of scholars and provide them with the theoretical and applied skills needed for successful careers in leading universities, research-oriented organisations, international organisations and government agencies.

We are looking for highly motivated and qualified candidates to further complement the already outstanding quality of our current scholars. **Grants for doctoral candidates are available.**

Many EUI researchers go on to join international organisations and faculty of elite universities, both in their country of origin and around the world.

Please refer to our [website](#) for further details regarding application requirements, grants and eligibility.

Stanford law professors are seeking full-time Research Fellows



Several Stanford law professors are seeking full-time Research Fellows to begin work in the Spring/Summer of 2014. This is a unique opportunity for graduating seniors and recent college graduates to participate in groundbreaking empirical legal and social science research. Past fellows have found the experience to be valuable preparation for graduate school and have matriculated to a number of prestigious graduate, law, and business programs.

RESEARCH FELLOW, STANFORD LAW SCHOOL (Fixed term) *multi-job posting

Commitment:

Full-time, starting Spring/Summer 2014. Fellowships last for one year, with an option to renew for a second year by mutual agreement of the professor and the fellow.

Deadline: Sunday, February 2, 2014. Applications will be evaluated on a rolling basis.

Full details: <http://bit.ly/1euctBs> (opens a pdf)

Career in Law? Vacation Scheme Deadline Campaign



The deadline for non-law students to apply for a vacation scheme at a law firm is fast approaching. Some are throughout this month but the majority are on the 31st of January, which is why it's imperative that students interested in a career in law apply before it's too late.

Here is the link for our main Vacation Scheme Deadline Campaign, which lists all the deadlines for upcoming vacation schemes:

<http://allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/vacation-schemes>

To make it easier for students we've also broken the list into specific types. Here are the links for students interested in;

A city law firm: <http://allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/vacation-schemes/city-firms>

A regional law firm: <http://allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/vacation-schemes/regional-firms>

A US law firm: <http://allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/vacation-schemes/us-firms>

An international law firm: <http://allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/vacation-schemes/international-firms>

A Scottish law firm: <http://allaboutlaw.co.uk/law-jobs/vacation-schemes/scottish-firms>

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