NETWORK NEWS

Chapter Project

The Homeland Security Network at American Public University System is teaming up with the Public Health Club to host a chapter project. During the entire month of June, members of both organizations, as well as all other students, staff, faculty, and alumni of APUS are encouraged to seek out a local blood donation activity and give the gift of life.

Today’s headlines are flooded with stories of violence and nature’s destruction. Our neighbors need us now more than ever to come together and help one another.

**Just 1 pint of blood can save up to 3 lives!**

It is very easy to participate. Simply search for a local blood donation event in your area (collection events can be easily found on the American Red Cross website). Go to the event whether you choose to make an appointment or just walk in (if permitted) and give a donation. Members who participate should report their involvement in the project to their respective sponsor organization. If you do not belong to a specific organization, feel free to report your participation to the AMU/APU Homeland Security Network at apus.homelandsecnetwork@gmail.com

Please report your name, student ID/affiliation (student, staff, faculty, alumni, etc.), city and state you donated in, blood donation organization (i.e.: Red Cross, and what type of donation (i.e.: whole blood, double red cells, platelets, or plasma).

Thanks again for standing up to help others in need. The Homeland Security Network is proud to sponsor this life-giving support to our communities.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Fellowship Opportunities

President Spencer recently attended a meeting hosted by SIRGO Honor Society in which Dr. Campbell, Assistant Provost for Graduate Studies, Research and Innovation discussed three fellowship opportunities open to APUS students. Applicants to these fellowships will go through a campus evaluation process to ensure that their application is competitive.
The Presidential Management Fellowship has been awarded to an average of 12 APUS students a year. The Presidential Management Fellowship is the government's flagship leadership development program. Newly added to this program is the PMF-STEM track for students in Master of Science in Cybersecurity Studies, Master of Science in Information Technology, Master of Public Health and Master of Science in Space Studies programs. More information can be found at http://www.amu.apus.edu/career-services/fellowships/pmf.htm.

Another highly competitive fellowship is the Fulbright Fellowship. APUS has had a student named a runner-up for this fellowship! The Fulbright awards grants for research in several fields. More information is located at http://www.amu.apus.edu/career-services/fellowships/fulbright.htm.

The Boren Fellowship and Scholarship are available to both graduate (fellowship) and undergraduate (scholarship) students. The Boren provides funds for language training in this country and overseas. Once completed, the participant will be required to gain employment in a Federal Agency. More information can be found at http://www.amu.apus.edu/career-services/fellowships/.

STAYING CONNECTED

Commencement 2016

Commencement 2016 will be held on June 18th at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor, MD. The Homeland Security Network Leadership congratulate all of our members who will be graduating in June! There will be an HSN table at the Alumni Welcome Rally on June 17th from 3-5pm in Potomac, MD. Please stop by our table to talk to our advisor, Dr. Kelli Frakes, and to meet some of your fellow members! For a full schedule of events, go to http://www.apus.edu/commencement/.

CURRENT EVENTS SPOTLIGHT

How to Ensure Your Social Profiles Will Never Get Hacked by Abdullahi Muhammed

Summary: Looking for simple ways to ensure that your social media accounts are not hacked? Check out this article featured on AMU blog, Inhomelandsecurity.com. Originally posted on www.business2community.com, the article highlights several ways that the average social media user can protect their accounts. The author recommends updating passwords regularly, using the sign in software, and paying for the best anti-virus software you can find. In the case of cybersecurity, and the best offense is a good defense. For more tips, read the article here.