Greetings from Innovation Academy!

This edition of our newsletter focuses on OPPORTUNITIES - guest lectures, scholarships, funding opportunities, and more!

“By your Inventions, Innovations, Initiatives, Improvements, Involvements, Imaginations, Information, Interventions and Inspirations... Go the extra mile and dare to do it.” - Israelmore Ayivor

2015 Discover IA Sessions

Come to UF and visit the Innovation Academy during one of our Discover IA information sessions offered during the spring semester! Prospective students and their families will learn about the IA program and its exciting benefits and opportunities during a presentation that includes an overview of the IA experience as well as interaction with current students and faculty.

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INNOVATION ACADEMY
Speaker Series
SPRING 2015

Jim Harrison
Director of Creative Services,
University Relations UF
Artist, MetaVisual Design Studio,
Gainesville Fruit Co.

• Barriers and Blockers: Why we are not more creative
  - Perceptual, Emotional and
  - Socio/Cultural blocks.
• Creative Traits: Personality traits that support creative behavior.
• Creative thinking style: It's not how smart you are, it's
  knowing how you are smart.

Jim Harrison is UF's Creative Director in the office of University Relations,
leading a team of designers, writers, web specialists and storytellers
who develop powerful messages and drive UF forward. A graduate of UF's
College of the Arts, Jim has been an award-winning graphic designer, creative
director and entrepreneur for more than 22 years. Specializing
in branding and visual systems, his studio MetaVisual is also
known for the Gainesville Fruit Co. series
of art prints that celebrate cherished
Gainesville landmarks in the style of vintage produce labels.

Joe Cirulli
CEO and Founder, Gainesville
Health and Fitness Center

• Problem Finding Skills - Discovering issues, finding facts,
  assumptions and observation.
• Idea & Solution Finding skills: Forged and free association,
  analytical thinking, brainstorming, prototyping
• The Power of Creative teams - Traits of creative and productive teams.

Joe Cirulli, owner and founder of
Gainesville Health & Fitness Centers,
has focused his life on two things:
helping people become healthy and
building a company culture that
inspires people to become their best.
His clubs rank globally in the top
percentile for sales, management, and
community service. With his staff, he
has accomplished many goals including
making and keeping Gainesville, Fla.
The Healthiest Community in America.
Today, GHP is one of the best known
health clubs in the world.

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ACCENT Speakers Bureau at the University of Florida will bring branding guru and mogul Daymond John to campus Feb. 9. The event will be co-sponsored by the Black Student Union for Black History Month.

John authored two entrepreneurial books and is the founder of fashion company FUBU, in addition to co-starring on ABC's hit show "Shark Tank."

The program starts at 8 p.m. at the Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts. Doors open at 7 p.m.

RSVP here: https://www.facebook.com/events/1569088703334936/?ref=22

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**2014-15 E-TEAM PROGRAM**

**accelerating technology invention & innovation for scalable impact**

**STAGE 1**

- $5,000 funding
- 50 teams
- Market analysis
- Value proposition development

**STAGE 2**

- $20,000 funding
- 20 teams
- Business model development
- Coaching

**STAGE 3**

- $50,000 investment opportunity
- 2-3 teams
- Investment readiness
- Peer-selected capital

**Funding Opportunity**

Got a great idea? Want to make an impact on the world? The e-team program cultivates opportunities for collegiate technology entrepreneurs by providing early-stage support and funding of up to $75,000.

Next Deadline: February 6
Find out more at: http://venturewell.org/student-grants/
Newman Civic Fellows Award

The Newman Civic Fellows Award honors inspiring college student leaders who have demonstrated an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing communities throughout the country. Through service, research, and advocacy, Newman Civic Fellows are making the most of their college experiences to better understand themselves, the root causes of social issues, and effective mechanisms for creating lasting change. These students represent the next generation of public problem solvers and civic leaders. They serve as national examples of the role that higher education can—and does—play in building a better world. The University will select one student to nominate for this award.


Students who are sophomores, juniors, and 1st year graduate students are eligible.

Nominations due by February 13, 5:00 pm.

Scholarship Opportunity

Pam Carpenter, Alachua County Supervisor of Elections announces the opportunity for local college or university students to apply for a $1,200 scholarship through the Florida State Association of Supervisors of Elections (FSASE).

FSASE will award three $1,200 scholarships. The deadline to submit applications to the Alachua County Supervisor of Elections is March 16, 2015.

The scholarships will be awarded to full-time students attending an accredited Florida university or college.

Applicants must be enrolled or accepted as a junior or senior and be either a Political Science major, a Public or Business Administration major or a Journalism/Mass Communications major.

Applicants must:

- Demonstrate a financial need and furnish a financial statement which shows what their own contribution is to their educational expenses. (Student does not have to submit an official form, but can send a statement of their financial need).
- Submit two current letters of recommendation which must accompany the application or be received by the deadline: one from the college or university last attended or graduated from; and one from a citizen of good standing in the community,
- Submit a resume of their high school and/or college activities as well as their community service activities,
- Maintain a “C” average or above for the previous year,
- Be a U.S. citizen and have been a resident of Florida for two years preceding the academic year for which application is made,
- Be a registered voter.

Applications may be obtained online at VoteAlachua.com or from the Alachua County Supervisor of Elections Office at 111 SE 1st Avenue, Gainesville. Completed applications and letters of recommendation must be submitted to the Supervisor of Election of the County in which you are registered to vote.
IA Serve Accepting Applications

Applications being accepted for Director positions for IAServe! This team of dedicated IA students collaborated with UF Center for Leadership and Service and put together the IA-CLS Servant Leader Certificate Series last summer yielding over 45 graduates. Get involved today!

Application Deadline: 2/5/15
Contact: brittneyb@leadershipandservice.ufl.edu
“Library Proficiency Certificate” Program

If you are seeking ways to better network on campus, earn credentials to catapult your academics and to improve candidacy for campus leadership positions, then you MUST attend this event!

IA has once again partnered with our library liaison Missy Clapp to bring you the “Library Proficiency Certificate” Program. This certificate will make you a trained resource for other students, increase your leadership potential and also identify you as a highly engaged and involved member of the UF Community.

The 3-part series includes:

“Library 411” What you need to know now to avoid library emergencies later

Wed, February 18th @7-8PM in Beaty Library

“Scavenger Hunt” Exploring Your (mostly FREE) Campus Library Resources

Get clues on day 1, answers due Feb 26th

“RefWorks” Cite you references in a snap!

Wed, March 11th @7-8:15pm – Library West

RESULT:
Earn a Certificate of completion and become a Peer Library Resource for future IA cohorts.

We have 20 spots for this opportunity on a first come-first served basis.
Please reply to ayeshamian@aa.ufl.edu by NEXT FRIDAY – February 6th by 12noon, if you are interested in signing up for this FREE opportunity!
and leadership on a unique spring-summer schedule. The IA enrolls and supports academically
talented students focused on developing knowledge to grow new business opportunities,
services and products through curricular and co-curricular experiences.

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