

Internships can give you the edge

By Scott Windham

Senior David Stewart spends his Tuesday afternoons this semester teaching classes and coaching cross-country. The history major from Harrisonburg, Virginia, is an intern at Charlotte Latin, a local private school.

After three weeks of observation in September, David will now conduct a discussion seminar in U.S. History and teach a tenth grade U.S. History Survey. In addition,

FLAG plans National Coming Out Day celebration

By Lexy DeVane

National Coming Out Week begins today, October 11, nationwide. The purpose of the week is to provide a positive atmosphere for homosexual people to step out of the closet and for others to accept homosexuality after realizing some of their friends and family are homosexuals. Members of F.L.A.G. (Friends of Lesbians and Gays) have planned several awareness building events to recognize this week.

F.L.A.G.'s chairperson David Haslam hopes the week will help "educate the student body on what it is to be gay and educate anyone questioning their sexuality in an attempt to make the coming out process easier."

Haslam believes F.L.A.G.'s role in its third charter year at Davidson is largely educational. As Chairperson, he hopes to continue to "break down the stereotypes about gay persons and their lifestyles and to make Davidson a friendly campus for people who might be gay."

F.L.A.G. has arranged for a pictorial narrative to be displayed in the Union Gallery. These photographs depict the Homosexual Rights March on Washington last Spring in which a Davidson F.L.A.G. delegation participated.

Junior Anni Kirkland, a member of the delegation, said, "the exhibit is a tribute and a profound educational opportunity for us all."

The Davidson Delegation in Washington met several Davidson alumni who proclaimed their homosexuality after graduation. Haslam said, "One alumnus, upon noticing the Davidson sign in the march, spoke to the group. He thanked us for our public support and expressed his pride in this symbolic gesture."

The F.L.A.G. meeting this Thursday at ten o'clock in the Wilson Room will be a special presentation by Haslam on the issue of Gays in the military. Haslam spent this summer in Washington lobbying this issue. F.L.A.G. meetings are open to all.

F.L.A.G.'s presence on campus marks the first step in accepting homosexuality. Haslam concluded, "Davidson students have the analytical and logical skills to understand homosexuality, we are just trying to give them the information."

David plans to assist with coaching the cross-country team.

David learned about the internship opening through Education Department Head Dr. Grace Mitchell. He states that he had considered teaching as a possible career, but that he "wanted to make sure what it was about" before committing himself to a career in education. So far, says David, the experience has been positive.

Meredith Harris '91 is in charge of locating and researching internships at the Office of Career Services. Meredith notes that many offices on campus have information on internships.

She suggests that interested students use some of the following contacts: Ken Wood in the Office for Experiential Programs, Jack Perry or Laura Malenas at the Dean Rusk Program, Service Coordinator Gigi Cooke, or the heads of academic departments. In addition, Meredith highly recommends consulting the internship guidebooks at Career Services.

Admissions rolls out red carpet

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Quips and Cranks, SGA, the Union, Reach Out, Honor Council, Dean Rusk Program, and religious life. A freshman hall counselor also spoke to the students.

Meanwhile, parents met with representatives from the Financial Aid Office and Dean of Students Will Terry. The day ended with a dinner for students and their par-

These guidebooks, which list internships by location and by vocation, contain over five hundred one-year, semester, or summer internships. The fields run the gamut from arts to sports. Around half are paid positions, and Meredith notes that Career Services is striving to increase the number of paid internships.

The guidebooks give the following reasons to get an internship: "to gain experience, to explore an interest, to build a base of knowledge about the world of work, or to decide [whether] you want to do this type of work."

Students interested in an internship may call the Office of Career Services or stop by to visit Meredith. She adds that students who are planning to apply for an internship and do not have a resume should take time to write one using Career Services' Resume Handbook. The book provides guidelines which should help students create a unique resume that stands out.

Roberta Stolpen of Davidson Ambassadors said 70 of the students took the opportunity to spend a night at Davidson on Sunday and attend classes of their choice on Monday. Freshmen and sophomores served as hosts for the visitors.

Over 50 Davidson students helped with registering as well as hosting students and giving campus tours.



Photo by Lisa Watson

Don Jayasinghe '94 was sworn in as ISA president. His efforts have made the International Student Association a reality.

Ceremony marks ISA installation

By Wendy Lee

Officers for the new International Student Association were sworn into office during an installation ceremony Wednesday, October 6 at Eu Hall.

Ruth Pittard, Assistant Dean of Students, presided over the swearing in of ISA President Don Jayasinghe, Vice President Devjani Dev, Secretary Li Lin Lee, Treasurer Jorge Thierman, and International Committee Chair Katrina O'Neal.

Dr. Alberto Hernandez-Chirroldez swore in Senior Rep Jorge Pardo, Junior Rep Ranjit Narayanan, Sophomore Rep Krista Tihanyi, Freshman Rep Dahlia Sherif, and One-Year Student Rep Slav Brisuick.

During the ceremony students took part in a lamp lighting to symbolize international solidarity.

"A lamp when lit is symbolic of the light of wisdom that enables one to dispel the darkness of ignorance and misery.

"When Zik Joseph of Uganda, Devjani Dev of India, Krista Tihanyi of Hungary, Katrina O'Neal of the USA, and Jorge Pardo of Puerto Rico, representing the 5 major regions of the world, i.e. Africa, Asia, Europe, North America and Latin America joined hands to light the ceremonial lamp, they symbolized the birth of the International Student Association.

"The ISA seeks to enhance international student life, strengthen bonds between internationals and Americans, and help the Davidson community develop a better understanding and greater appreciation of the beauty and value of global diversity," said Jayasinghe.

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