

Oscar and Rosetta Fish Scholarship for Excellence

FISH Newsletter – Spring 2012

Semester Recap

The Fish Scholars had another busy semester under the leadership of Cohort Coordinator, Ying Bong “Billy” Wu. In the absence of Mason Choy, Daniel Hee, and Theresa Capestany (read about their study abroad adventures in this newsletter), empowerment and teamwork was the driving force behind Fish Scholars: Huy Nguyen, Matthew Amore, Jarenn Nagaishi-Choi, Ricardo Fernandez, Rachel Seachris, and Do Kim. The seven energized scholars kept a busy spring calendar between assisting with the Shidler Alumni Executive Vineyards Wine Tasting event to the annual Career Expo, and volunteering at the Great Aloha Run, the UHM Sophomore Success Conference, and the first annual Hapalua Half Marathon. The semester wrapped up with a Shidler Spring Graduation Reception in which Billy Wu gave a heart rendering reflection of his memorable moments at Shidler College of Business.

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Service to School

Career Expo

Every semester, the Shidler College of Business hosts a Career Expo. Dozens of employers participant in hopes to recruit top business students for job positions or internship programs. It is also an excellent opportunity for students to practice their professional and personal skills by meeting with potential employers to learn about their organizations. This semester, the Fish Scholars were instrumental in setting up the Career Expo event, checking in employers, answering student's questions, and facilitating in any other way possible. The Fish Scholars recognized the importance of their commitment to this school event as they observed this excellent opportunity for their fellow classmates to network with professionals and learn about the various businesses present at the Career Expo.

International Fair

This semester, our Fish cohort collaborated with the International Business Organization (IBO) to bring the International Fair to the students of Shidler College of Business. Fellow students were able to learn more about the PAMI Field Study, Manoa International Exchange Programs (MIX), UHM Study Abroad Program, and various scholarship opportunities for students going abroad. The Fish cohort hosted the scholarship information booth to educate students about scholarship program offers, such as the new \$100k Freeman Scholarship Program, to help them ease the financial burden from studying abroad. Some of the Fish Scholars also had the opportunity to interact with exchange students from the country they will be going to, which is very helpful as they prepare for their study abroad experience.

Business Night

The Fish Scholars attended Business Night, which was held at the Sheraton Waikiki on May 2, 2012. Fish Scholars who were recipients of business night awards were: Billy Wu, Jarenn Nagaishi-Choi, Huy Nguyen, and Rachel Seachris.



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Hapalu'a Half Marathon Packet Pick-Up

The Fish Scholars, along with Fish Scholarship Program Coordinator Rikki Mitsunaga, helped out during the inaugural Hapalu'a half marathon, by volunteering at the Hawaii Convention Center for packet pickup throughout the two day event. For this event we assembled and distributed runner packets to the participants that contained their time chips for the race as well as t-shirts. Proceeds from this event stays in Hawai'i to benefit Hawai'i High School athletic programs. Helping out at this event was an enjoyable experience because we met some other friendly volunteers and runners coming as far away as Japan and Germany!



Great Aloha Run

On February 20, the Fish Scholars were up bright and early to help out at the annual Great Aloha Run held at Aloha Stadium. The main task for the Fish Scholars was to distribute water bottles to the runners after they had completed the race, moving boxes of water off the pallets and setting up various water stations for the more than 28,000 participants. It was a great way to give back to the community and volunteer to help make this big event possible.

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Mason Choy and Daniel Hee

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Having the opportunity to study at the HKUST has been and will be one of the most rewarding experiences during our time at Shidler College of Business. Studying at one of the top business schools in the world has truly been a challenging and rewarding experience.

We were also able to meet with esteemed Alumni, Cecilia Ho, Alvin Miyashiro and Eddie Lam, who have helped make our adjustment to life in Hong Kong easier. Hong Kong is well connected to the rest of Asia since every major country is within a few hours distance. During the semester, we travelled to Singapore, Beijing, Shenzhen, Macau, Taiwan and Korea. These opportunities broadened our global perspectives and opened our eyes to the world!



Theresa Capestany

Reims Management School, France

Studying abroad in France has been an incredible experience! I have not only learned about living and doing business in France, but I have made priceless connections with other ambitious young adults from over twenty different countries. Through interactions with my classmates, I have learned about the cultures, practices, and heard a diversity of perspectives from all over the world.



Read about their experiences on their blogs available at www.shidler.hawaii.edu/fishscholars