August 21, 2018

1. Event Planning Class offered this Fall
   Students--Interested in event management and coordination? Need a general elective to round out your fall schedule? Then we have just the course for you! This seminar course is designed for students who have an interested in learning event management & related careers. It is open to all majors and seating is limited. Call the MCJ office with any questions at 601-266-4258 or email mcj@usm.edu.

2. Internship Information Session- August 30
   Internship information sessions for Communications students will be held Thursday, August 30 in College Hall 104 from 11-11:30am and 2:30-3:00pm. Additional sessions will be held Tuesday, September 4th in College Hall 104 from 11-11:30 am and Wednesday, September 5 in College Hall 2:30-3pm. You must attend one of the sessions before registering for the internship class. For questions about this event, please email Dr. Cindy Blackwell at cindy.s.blackwell@usm.edu

3. Internship and Job Opportunities
   a. Internship Opportunities
      I. Small Town Creative Internship
         Join Laurel’s thriving small business scene through an internship with The Small Town Creative. This internship will have a heavy concentration in social and digital media for a number of clients in a variety of different industries. Internship applicants must have knowledge in marketing, PR, Advertising, IMC or similar major (junior or senior preferred), ex excellent oral and written communication skills, knowledge of social media, graphic design experience is preferred, a creative thinker, computer proficiency, and detail oriented. To be considered for an interview, send resume to laura@thesmalltowncreative.com
II. Mississippi Department of Transportation Intern Needed

The MDOT Public Affairs Division is seeking an #intern for the 2018 Fall Semester at the MDOT Headquarters in Jackson.

Qualifications:
• Public Relations, Communications or Journalism Major.
• Classified as a Senior or Graduate Student.
• Enrolled at an Accredited College or University.
• Accepted into a Graduate program at an Accredited College or University.
• Proficient in Microsoft Office programs.
• Knowledge of Social Media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, SnapChat and/or LinkedIn.

Position responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:
• Participation in planning internal and external communication strategies.
• Developing and producing key communication materials including press releases, feature stories, social media content and talking points for speeches.
• Developing story-lines and pitches to the media.
• Preparing spokespeople for proactive media relations.
• Opportunity to participate in and help organize special events.
• Opportunity to participate in media training.

Additional Information:
• $12 an hour.
• Part time- 25 hours a week minimum.
• No benefits.
• Credit hours available if approved by accredited college or university.
• Opportunity for involvement in the Public Relations Association of Mississippi.
• For Graduate Students, proof of acceptance in a Graduate program is required.
• Position is located in Jackson, MS.

For more information, contact:
Jessica Breazeale
Internal Communications Officer/ Internship Coordinator
Mississippi Department of Transportation
Public Affairs Division
601-359-9822

III. Internship Opportunity with Jay Hughes
We are looking for students to volunteer for State Representative Jay Hughes’ campaign. Representative Hughes is running for Lt. Governor in 2019. We need dependable students who are willing to work 10-15 hours a week. Hours are flexible and can be completed any time throughout the week or weekend. Please contact Garrison English by phone at (601) 502-3543 or by email at garrison@jayformississippi.com.

b. Job Opportunities

I. Sports Editor Needed
We are a daily paper (five days per week) covering eight local high schools and one community college. We expect two stories per day and there’s no shortage of content.

II. Digital Content Producer Job Available
A digital content producer job is available at WCBI. This person will be responsible for maintaining, updating, and advancing WCBI’s social media and website strategy. The WCBI Digital Content Producer will be responsible for making certain the WCBI website and social media is updated consistently during breaking news situations. This position requires monitoring social media efforts and goals of individual staff members. The DCP will also be responsible for creating, editing and coordinating often exclusive online content. This person is also responsible for tracking performance of website and social media efforts. Please send resume and samples to robertdavidson@wcbi.com

4. Kinney, Fernandez, and Boire Scholarship
The KF&B Scholarship was created to help students get the education that they need to take the journey into adulthood. The Tampa personal injury attorneys at KF&B understand that education is expensive and want to help one lucky student take a little bit of the stress away from wondering how they’re going to afford school.

Applicants will be required to submit a 500-word essay by no later than March 31, 2019, and the winner will be awarded a $1,000.00 scholarship by April 31, 2019.

Eligibility
You are eligible to apply for this $1000 scholarship if you meet one of the below requirements.

A high school senior that has been accepted into a college or university
A current college student that is not in their final year.
Guidelines
KF&B wants to hear your answer to the question, “What is one law that you think should be implemented to make the world a better place and why?”, in 500 words or less.

Submission Deadline
The deadline for submissions is March 31, 2019. Applications submitted after this date may be considered for the following years scholarship.

Winner Selection
Committee members will review all of the applicants and present the top contenders to the greater scholarship committee for the selection of one winner. The winner of the $1000 KF&B Scholarship will be contacted in April 2019 and will have two weeks to respond before a runner up is selected.

5. GHY 326 offered this Fall
Geography and Geology, now part of the School of Biological, Environmental, and Earth Sciences, is excited to announce that Nick Lilja, the chief meteorologist for WDAM Channel 7 News, will return to Southern Miss this fall to teach GHY 326 (Introduction to Meteorology and Weather Forecasting).

Lilja brings to the classroom his expertise in meteorology and broadcasting, as well as his knowledge of the latest technology in weather forecasting. Special emphasis will be placed on severe weather that affects the Gulf Coast region. The course is currently listed in SOAR and has no prerequisites for enrollment.

Space is limited, so sign up as soon as possible. For questions, please contact David Cochran (David.Cochran@usm.edu) or Candice Beavers (Candice.Carter@usm.edu).

6. iSouthernMiss App
ISouthernMS mobile App has a new, eye-catching design with an easy to navigate menu. Check out the latest updates and download the app today!

7. Student Worker Opportunity
USM photo services is seeking a student worker who can assist with our on-line (bc/LH/env) and email print/copy orders. Additionally, you must have InDesign skills to help set up business cards, as well as printing posters on a wide-format printer. Anyone interested in this position can email Chante Ravesies at 601.266.5310 or email copycenter@usm.edu

8. Labor Day Holiday- September 3
Labor Day Holiday is scheduled for Monday, September 3, 2018. Day and night classes will not
meet. For more information about upcoming dates and deadlines, please visit https://www.usm.edu/registrar/fall-2018-full-term-academic-calendar-0

9. WUSM Needs YOU!
WUSM is the radio station operated by USM, housed in the School of Communication Studies. WUSM just won its 6th Best Radio Station in the Pine Belt award, as well as several MS/LA AP Awards, so working with WUSM is a great starting point for anyone interested in broadcasting. There is no better place to learn how to work on your vocal presentation as well as learning the other crucial skills necessary for a career in media.

College credits are available for some positions.

WUSM's nationally award-winning public affairs show, Southern Miss Today, is looking for some key positions for the fall broadcast season:

Host positions available (2)
Southern Miss Today's host is the voice and face of the show. This person will be responsible for hosting the show two days a week: Monday and Wednesday, or Tuesday and Thursday. You will conduct live interviews based on the research you have done about the guest and the guest's organization or event. This position is perfect for someone interested in broadcast television or radio, and will give invaluable time being used to the pressures of a live radio show. You will also be able to work on your voice and presentation skills.

News Reader positions available (4)
Each edition of Southern Miss Today begins with a brief newscast, including sports and a brief weather forecast. The newsreader will write the newscast based on local sources of information, and will deliver the newscast live at the beginning of the show. You will be responsible for the news on the day you are available, one day a week. Perfect for someone interested in writing and news delivery. This is a great chance to experience the energy of a live show, and to work on your vocal and news presentation skills.

Social media positions available (2)
Southern Miss Today has a very active social media presence, with an engaged Facebook page of followers. In addition to learning about writing for digital media, you will also be responsible for live streaming the show via Facebook, allowing you to work with the cutting edge of hardware and software in digital media.
The executive producer of the show is Crystal Tolible, and you should email her at crystal.tolible@usm.edu to find out more about the positions and to put yourself in the pool of candidates. As of now, auditions for Southern Miss Today are set for Aug. 27-29th, with a last call Audition on Sept. 3rd. The show goes live for the semester on September 10th.

Get involved with a revered local radio station, and learn how to create award-winning radio. Build your skills as well as your resume with a position on Southern Miss Today.