

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLS Added to More Indexes

Since being added to the *Social Sciences Index* early in 1994, *Politics and the Life Sciences* has been added to five more indexes. *PLS* is now included in BIOSIS/*Biological Abstracts*, the *Expanded Academic Index*, the *Index to Periodical Articles Related to Law*, the *Peace Research Abstracts Journal*, and *United States Political Science Documents*. This brings to sixteen the number of indexes that cover *Politics and the Life Sciences*.

Fulbright Visiting Scholars Programs

U.S. colleges and universities are invited to submit proposals for a Fulbright grant to host a visiting lecturer from abroad. Grants are for one semester or a full year. Preference is given to proposals in the humanities or social sciences, although other fields focusing on international issues will be considered. Grants are also being awarded for a special program to bring officials from the European Community to campuses where there are programs in international affairs, business, political science, or other fields in which an EC official-in-residence would be beneficial. Grants are for one semester or the full academic year. Deadlines for both grants are November 1, 1994. Application materials and proposal guidelines may be obtained by contacting Council for International Exchange of Scholars, 3007 Tilden St. NW, Suite 5M, Box NEWS, Washington, DC 20008-3009, USA; phone (202) 686-7866.

Visiting Investigator Program, NCHGR

The Visiting Investigator Program at the National Center for Human Genome Research (NCHGR) in the United States provides faculty-level scientists from outside the National Institutes of Health (NIH) with the opportunity to spend a three to twelve month period at the NCHGR laboratories and clinics. Visiting investigators can use their stay at the NCHGR to learn new technologies, develop research collaborations, or pursue sabbatical research projects.

Basic and clinical genetic researchers and social scientists may access the center's laboratories, core facilities, clinics, and training programs for study in any area of human genetic disease, including the social implications

of genetic research. Partial funding of salary support is available, as well as all funding for research related expenses while at the center. Project proposals extending to one year are preferred in order to enhance the possibility of accomplishing research objectives. Applications may be initiated by submitting a curriculum vitae, a cover letter describing the proposed project for study or collaborative effort (including the time frame proposed to complete the study), and a supporting letter from the candidate's department head (or equivalent individual).

Applications are accepted throughout the year, with the program commencing January 1, 1995. For more information, contact Betty Wolf, Director, Visiting Investigator Program, NIH/National Center for Human Genome Research, Building 49, Room 4A38, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892, USA; tel: (301) 402-2012; fax: (301) 402-2440; e-mail: wolfie@helix.nih.gov.

Scholars in Health Policy Research Program

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation invites applications for its Scholars in Health Policy Research Program. Twelve individuals are selected each year to undertake a two-year postdoctoral training experience at one of three U.S. universities—Yale University, the University of Michigan, or the University of California at Berkeley. Scholars have the opportunity to work closely with faculty from the social sciences—as well as from medicine, public health, and public policy—in an environment conducive to multidisciplinary learning and collaborative research.

Curricular offerings are flexible, but are intended to (1) educate scholars about the structure and function of the health care system and the health policymaking process, (2) expose scholars to a multidisciplinary environment in which each comes to appreciate the perspective of other social science disciplines, plus medicine and public health, and (3) offer scholars the opportunity to conduct relevant research and analysis under the guidance of distinguished faculty mentors. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and have a doctoral degree in economics, political science, or sociology received between January 1992 and July 1995. Applicants are not required to have engaged in previous work in health policy or to have produced a health-oriented dissertation.

The deadline for receipt of 1994-95 applications is November 1, 1994. Inquiries about the program and requests for application forms should be addressed to Katherine Raskin, Scholars in Health Policy Research Program, The Heller School, Brandeis University, P.O. Box 9110, Waltham, MA 02254-9110, USA; tel: (617) 736-3870; fax: (617) 736-3881.

Call for Practical/Professional Ethics Papers

The Association for Practical and Professional Ethics invites proposals for presentations at their fourth annual meeting, March 2-4, 1995 in Crystal City, Virginia. Proposed presentations may be (1) formal papers, (2) pedagogical demonstrations and curriculum projects, (3) case studies, (4) posters, and (5) nomination of members' books for Breakfast with the Authors. The deadline for all submissions is October 21, 1994. For more information, contact Brian Schrag, Executive Secretary, Association for Practical/Professional Ethics, 410 North Park Ave., Bloomington, IN 47405, USA; tel: (812) 855-6450; fax: (812) 855-3315; e-mail: appe@indiana.edu.

International Journal of Bioethics

The *International Journal of Bioethics* is the journal of the International Association of Law, Ethics and Science (also known as the Milazzo Group, after the name of the Sicilian town where its general meetings are held). The journal's aim is to foster multidisciplinary debate in bioethics at an international level. Contributions to the journal prepare the topic to be focused upon at the group's biannual meeting, analyze current issues in bioethics, and report briefly on relevant scientific, legal, and ethical news. Articles are published in either French or English, with titles, abstracts, and keywords in both languages. The newsletter section is published in both

French and English. For more information about the journal or the association, contact Judge Christian Byk, General Editor, *International Journal of Bioethics*, Editions Alexandre Lacassagne, 162 av. Lacassagne, 69424 Lyon, Cedex 03, France.

New Journal, *Environment and History*

A new international journal of environmental history, *Environment and History*, will begin appearing three times per year in 1995. The journal will be broadly international and interdisciplinary in scope, covering areas of concern to historians, as well as to students and researchers in geography and the environmental, social, and cultural sciences. For more information, contact Richard H. Grove, Editor, *Environment and History*, c/o The White Horse Press, 10 High Street, Knapwell, Cambridge CB3 8NR, United Kingdom.

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