Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2022

Dear SAS Honors Program Students,

Do you remember the 21st night of September? Apologies for that abrupt cold open, but how could I not make the reference after seeing today’s date? I think most people will recognize the opening lines of Earth, Wind, and Fire’s funky classic, “September.” However, I am extremely curious about how many of you also know the steps to the accompanying line dance. The “September” line dance is an absolute staple at Filipino-American parties (it’s definitely worth a quick YouTube search if you’re not familiar), and it also just so happens to be my favorite way to shake off a bad day. Anytime that I’m feeling down, dancing to “September” is always my surefire maneuver to chase the clouds away. And while I’m aware that dancing is not everyone’s cup of tea (or coffee, or non-caffeinated beverage-of-choice for those of you who’ve managed to stave off the addiction), there is something so extraordinarily liberating about getting your body in motion to a good, bouncy beat, that I can’t help but recommend it to anyone who might be feeling that mid-week gloom. It doesn’t have to be a full-out line dance. Even if you just nod your head or shimmy your shoulders, I hope you all can take time this Wednesday to let loose and not think about anything other than fully surrendering to a song that speaks to you. Here’s to chasing (and dancing) those clouds away.

Check out these upcoming opportunities– they might just make your week/month. Go global and apply for the Spring in Jerusalem Honors Program! Learn more about what “inclusion” really means in our working and learning spheres by attending the inaugural Inclusion Summit. Help choose the next summer reading book at the Summer Reading Committee’s Kick-Off Meeting. Get involved in the SASHP community by applying to become a HIPster or a SASHP Blog Writer.

Warm Regards,
Noa DeOcampo
Your Newsletter Editor
**Summer Reading Committee Kick-Off Meeting**

Want to help choose the 2023 summer reading book? The Summer Reading Committee is meeting at 3 PM this Friday, Sept. 23 to begin on their journey of choosing the reading material for next year's incoming students. Join them in Room 010 in Milledoler Hall to talk books at the kick-off meeting. Still interested but can't make it in-person? Join through Zoom with the meeting code 959 3858 1664 & the passcode BOOKS.

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**Inclusion Summit: Holding Space for Change**

The Tyler Clementi Center for Diversity Education and Bias Prevention is holding their inaugural Inclusion Summit: Holding Space for Change from 9 AM to 3 PM next Friday, Sept. 30. Join them in the Livingston Student Center or virtually for panels, workshops, and a networking lunch to learn more about how we can best "create spaces to work and learn together." Those interested should RSVP for the event here by Thursday, Sept. 22 @ 5 PM.

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**Spring in Jerusalem**

Are you a junior or senior looking to go abroad this upcoming spring? Apply for the Spring in Jerusalem (SiJ) Honors Program for the Spring 2023 semester! Through this program, you will take advanced-level courses in English side-by-side with Israeli students at Hebrew University & build your career through internship opportunities. Applications are due next Saturday, Oct. 1. Click here for more info.

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**IMPORTANT: updated info!!!**

via the Rutgers Global website
HIPster Applications

Would you consider yourself social media savvy? Do you like to express yourself through photography? Take over the SASHP Instagram page during the fall 2022 semester by applying to become a HIPster —i.e. an Honors Instagram Poster!
Interact with the Honors community and give fellow students a glimpse into your everyday life through posts and stories. Plus, you can make your own creative mark on the SASHP grid. Click here to apply by the deadline on Oct. 1.

Blog Writer Applications

Apply to be a Blog Writer for the SASHP Blog! Write one article per month, with topics ranging from student experiences to reviews of the latest and greatest movies and cinematic experiences. Having written for the blog for about three years now myself, I can definitely say that this is a great opportunity to get your voice on the digital stage and write to the Honors community and beyond! Apply here by Oct. 1.