Marjorie Cook Scholarship for Graduate Students

The Marjorie Cook Endowed Scholars Program was established in 2008 by the Marjorie Cook Foundation to fund female graduate and professional students pursuing degrees that will prepare them for lives in women’s advocacy. The deadline is June 28th.

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to $5,000; renewable upon reapplication

Requirements include:
WOMEN who are graduate or professional students in a law, public policy or related program of study

Demonstrated commitment to empower women through public action and advocacy

Intent to become lawyers, public-policy makers, or researchers devoted to advancing women’s social and political status

Residents of Maryland and DC may apply

Events

More Than Victims: Women’s Roles in the Syrian Conflict
Who: IREX and ICAN

Water - the great connector

By staff contributor Ariana Rabindranath and guest contributor Julia Collins

What do a civil engineer, a nurse, a filmmaker and an ecology teacher have in common? The answer: water. On May 16, 2013, 26 people in 6 different countries met over Google Hangout to discuss their work on water issues and
When: June 11 | 9:30am-11:00am  
Where: IREX  
1275 K St NW, Suite 600  
Washington, DC 20005

Increased coverage of gender-based violence (GBV) as a weapon of war often narrowly portrays women's participation in conflict solely as victims. Join IREX, ICAN and a panel of experts as they broaden the discussion of women in the Syrian conflict to also include their contributions as leaders, dividers, and connectors.

**Woman-Centered Maternity Care, Family Planning, and HIV: Principles for Rights-Based Integration**  
Who: Wilson Center, Environmental Change and Security Program and Global Sustainability and Resilience Program  
When: June 11 | 3:30am-11:00am  
Where: 5th Floor, Woodrow Wilson Center  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20004-3027

Join experts for a discussion on rights-based maternity care and its intersection with family planning and HIV.

**Pathways to Protection**  
Who: Organization for Refuge, Asylum and Migration  
When: June 17 | 1:00pm-3:00pm  
Where: The Open Society Institute  
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 7th Fl.,Washington, D.C.

Join ORAM for a landmark panel discussion and film preview about the fight to bring LGBTI refugees to safety.

**Vision, Innovation, and Action to Address Child Marriage**  
Who: Wilson Center  
When: June 17 | 2:00pm-4:00pm  
Where: Woodrow Wilson Center, 6th Floor  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20004-3027

A panel on child marriage hosted by the Wilson Center, Environmental Change and Security Program, and Global Sustainability and Resilience Program.

**Young Women’s Political Summit**  
Who: Running Start
When: July 12 - July 14
Where: Georgetown University

This weekend event will bring together young and established women who want to run for office, hone their leadership skills, strengthen their connections in the political world, and learn how to make it to the next level in their careers.

Opportunities

**Internship: Program Assistant**
Who: Women in International Security
Where: Washington, DC

**Job: International Senior Gender Advisor**
Who: UN Women
Where: Nairobi, Kenya
Deadline: June 12

**Job: Web and Social Media Manager**
Who: Arcus Foundation
Where: New York, NY

Resources

**Gender and Peacekeeping: Perspectives from the Field**
The International Peace Institute has a new brief summarizing findings from a conference on Gender and Peacekeeping. Some themes highlighted include: how local context matters, how definition affects response, integration of efforts, and the necessity of more training.

**Violating Women’s Rights: Forced Sterilization, Population Control And HIV/AIDS**
Last July, a high court sentenced the Namibian state for the forced sterilization of three HIV-positive women. In Uzbekistan, authorities continue to deny reported cases. AWID looks into forced sterilizations in both countries and what it means for women’s reproductive rights.