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[Nahro Zargos](#)



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Join the Discussion

Cathy Areu, founding publisher and editorial director of *Catalina* magazine, will be visiting UCF next week for a breakfast roundtable discussion with students and staff. Through her work, Areu endeavors to break the stereotypes of Hispanic women in the U.S. media and entertainment. She will discuss *Hands-On Success: The Entrepreneurial Element* on Friday, April 10, 2015 in room 101 of the UCF Psychology Building from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. To join the discussion, please RSVP to Nicole Medina at Nicole.MedinaCollazo@ucf.edu or 407-823-0688. Space is limited.



Summer Internships Available - Apply Now!

If you are interested in global issues and want to gain course credit and experience, then you might consider applying for an internship at GP. The office is offering several internship positions for the summer semester. Students from any major or educational institution can apply. We even have a slot for a high school intern. In addition to research and office assistance,

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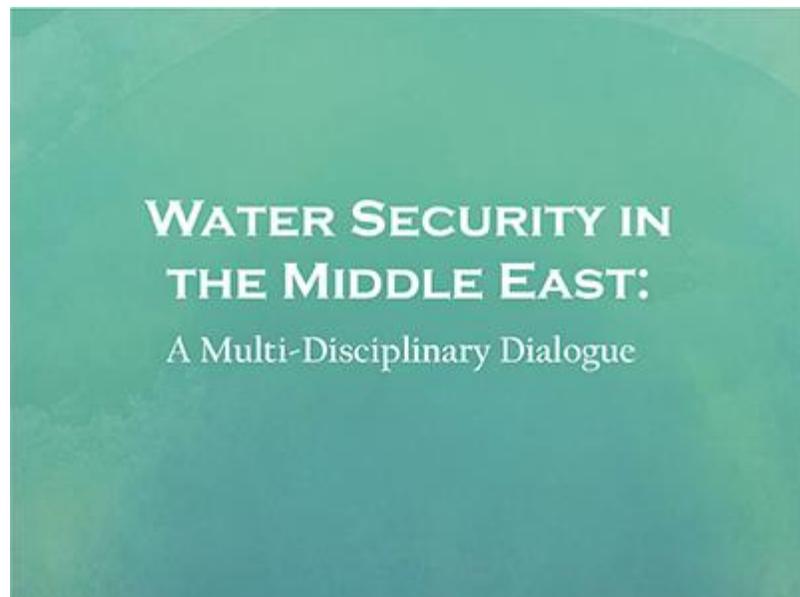


summer interns help to plan the multiple public events that GP organizes during the fall and spring semesters. Interns are eligible to receive course credit for their time and effort.

Internships require an applicant to have a minimum 3.0 GPA, to be at least a Junior and to submit an application and resume by May 1, 2015. The internship has a weekly time commitment of approximately 15 hours, with 10 hours dedicated to time in the office. To apply, or for more information, students can go to the GP website or contact the Intern Supervisor, Jessica Gagnon. "The internship is a great way to improve your research, writing and professional skills in a globally oriented environment. The experience is as rewarding for us at GP as it is for the students. We look forward to your applications," says Gagnon.

Squeezing Water from A Stone

In March, scholars from multiple disciplines gathered at UCF to discuss "[Water Security in the Middle East](#)." Through panel discussions and keynote presentations, attendees were exposed to a variety of elements related to water supply and demand in the Middle East and North Africa regions.



Michael Carroll, Executive Director of the Hollings Center for International Dialogue, delivered the opening address. He underscored access to water as "an issue of extraordinary importance in the coming decades," not just for the regions in question, but for us all in a globalized, interconnected world.

Several themes emerged throughout the symposium:

- National water subsidies have contributed to unsustainable demand and use in the region.
- Non-native agricultural practices account for more than 80% of water use throughout most of the region.
- Technology can help to better understand the water challenge.
- De-salination, a process that converts salt water to drinkable water, can only address a small fraction of the growing problem.
- Water can and has been used to influence populations between and within countries.
- Water insecurity is a shared issue that can be used to start dialogue across tense borders.
- Multiple approaches from a variety of actors are needed to address this serious issue.

Hassan Arafat from the Masdar Institute of Science and Technology in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) delivered the closing keynote. He provided a regional answer to many of the concerns addressed at the conference. Arafat discussed how some water-intensive crops were being phased out, like wheat in Saudi Arabia, and how certain governments like the UAE were experimenting with water tariffs to increase awareness of the real price of water.

The symposium, coordinated by UCF political science professor Peter Jacques, followed an international dialogue, "[High and Dry: The Middle East Water Challenge](#)," in Istanbul, Turkey last year. Campus sponsors for this event included the Political Science Department, Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd Program for Strategic Research and Studies, Global Perspectives Office, Stormwater Management Academy and the Unifying Theme.

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