THE UNIVERSITY OF MEMPHIS | Department of World Languages and Literatures

Gazette

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Have a Great Thanksgiving Break!

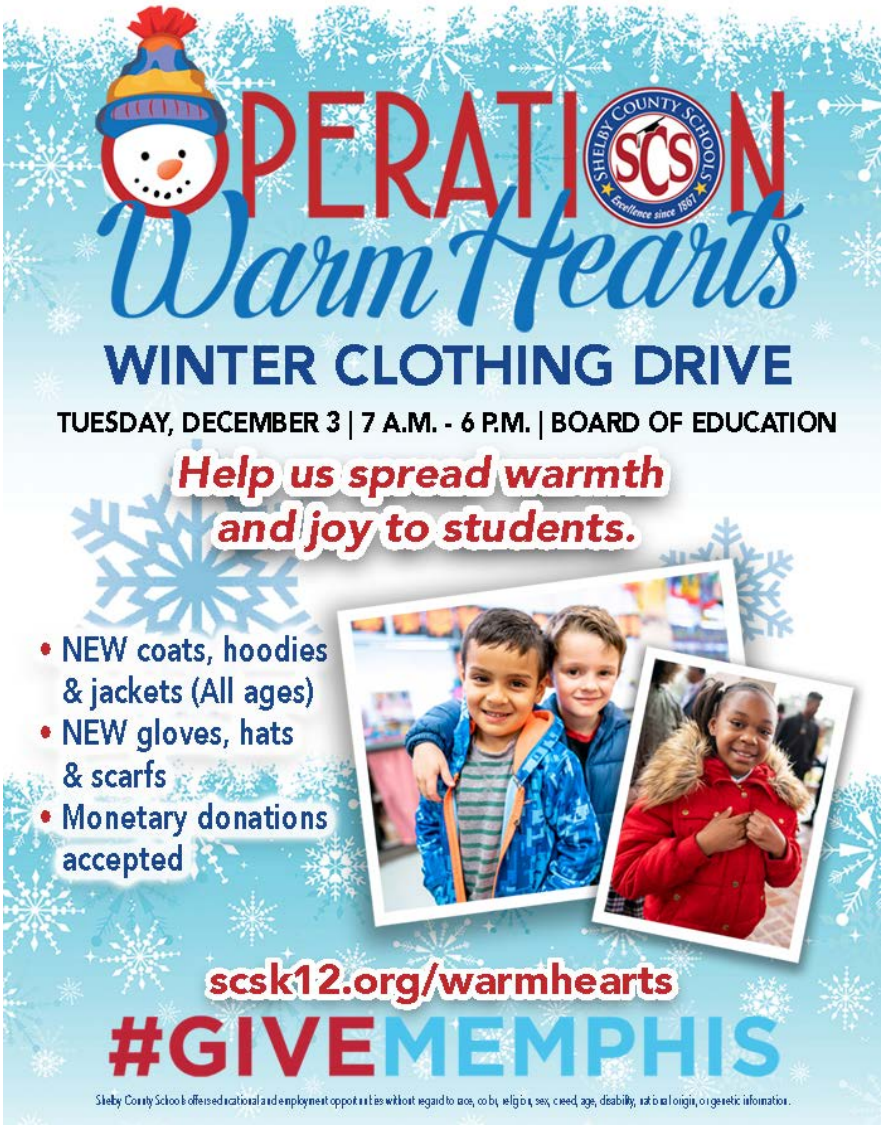
Announcements

World Languages Student Employment Position for Spring 2020

The department is looking for 2-3 student workers for the spring semester to work in the Language Media Center (LMC; Jones 220). If you are interested in being considered for a position, please email the department chair, Dr. Will Thompson, at wjthmpsn@memphis.edu. Student workers are employed from approximately 8-12 hours per week at $13.00 per hour. Students are chosen based on their GPA, knowledge of the department, and availability to work during the regular LMC hours (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 or 4 p.m.).

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club will sponsor Operation Warm Hearts to benefit students in Shelby County Schools. **Please make donations of NEW coats, hats, gloves or scarves** to Jennifer Johnston in Jones Hall room 108H. All donations must be made by Monday, December 2nd at 3:30pm. Items will be delivered to SCS on Tuesday, December 3rd!



Internship Opportunity

Urban Fellows is seeking applications for the spring semester if anyone is interested in applying! Information at: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/careers/internships. Tyler Stegall, tyler.stegall@memphistn.gov, is the contact person.

Scholarships for 2020-2021

All students should have received a message this week about applying for 2020-2021 scholarships through the Tiger Scholarship Manager. The Department of World Languages and Literatures is pleased to offer the **Mary Pettus Scholarship** for undergraduate majors in the department. In addition, students majoring in World Languages are eligible for the **Marcus W.**

Orr Humanities scholarship, and are encouraged to apply for that as well. The deadline for applications is February 1, 2020.

Events

Japanese Business Seminar

The Consulate-General of Japan in Nashville will cooperate with the Center for Professional Exchange (CEPEX) to present a business seminar at the University of Memphis, which will be conducted in English. They'd like to invite all students and faculty at the university, as well as Japanese/US companies, economic development officials, and political leaders. This will be a great chance to explore your future careers and network with local businesses and diplomats.

Japanese Innovation and Experiences
Implementing New Technology in the U.S.
From "Product Out" to "Market In"

～日米草の根交流プログラム：80 年代の対米進出日系企業の経験から：2020 年代の AI, IoT を活用する中・小規模事業者の斬新な人材育成、労働力開発と新たな展開の紹介 ～

The manufacturing industry has been transitioning from labor-intensive to advanced manufacturing systems with automation, robotics, machine learning, and AI with IoT. This shift has created new business opportunities such as CASE* and MaaS*, but also created a growing skills gap that requires new ideas and approaches to training and reskilling employees. CEPEX* invites you to join us for a discussion of potential U.S.-Japan collaboration with private sector, government authorities and educational institutions on how to address workforce development issues and the 21st century workplace.

Event Details

Date & Time:
Tuesday, December 3, 2019.
4:00-6:30 pm

Location:
UC Ballroom
The University of Memphis.
Ballroom. 320 University
Center. Memphis, TN 38152-3460
https://www.memphis.edu/uc/

Register:
Please click rsvp button

RSVP

Agenda

4:00 p.m. Welcome Remarks
Thomas Nenon, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the University of Memphis
Jiro Nishimura, Acting Consul-General of Japan in Nashville
4:10 p.m. Presentations
- "From Product Out to Market In, Change Your '80s Mindset"
- "Reverse Logistics Innovation, Beyond Shared Mobility in Supply Chain"

5:00 p.m. Panel Discussion and Audience Q&A
6:00 p.m. Reception

Speakers

Yukio Tada, Chairman of the Board, CEPEX; Fellow, Hokkaido University
Yoshihiro Sasaki, Founder, RL Institute, President & CEO, R-CUBES
Ai Collins, Director, Business Development/HR/Accounting, Funai Service Corporation
Yuki Matsuda, Coordinator, Japanese program, Associate Professor
Department of World Languages and Literatures, University of Memphis (invited)

CASE* (Connected: Autonomous: Shared/Service :Electric) MaaS* (Mobility as a Service)
CEPEX* (Center for Professional Exchange) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to cultivating the U.S.-Japan relationship and next generation of Japan experts. http://www.cepex.org/

Faculty Accomplishments

Dr. Ralph Albanese's article, "Critique universitaire et discours scolaire sur les *Pensées* de Pascal : De la Restauration au Second Empire (1817-1856)," has been accepted for publication in the *Australian Journal of French Studies.*

Dr. Yuki Matsuda was invited as a guest speaker and delivered a lecture on November 5 entitled "Yakuwarigo (Role Language) in Japanese Popular Culture: The Hidden Multimodality in Japanese Characters," for the Institute of Japanese Studies at the Ohio State University.

Dr. Benjamin Sparks published his review of *La formation des cadres sous le régime colonial au Dahomey 1932-1972* in volume 93.1 of *The French Review* in October 2019.