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1. Advising Appointments

Fall enrollment has begun! If you still have a Fall advising hold, make an appointment to have your hold lifted.
We can remove your advising hold even if you have a $$ financial hold.

Appointment sheets are located in A258 Langley Hall. Bring your advising folder with an updated plan to your meeting.

2. Seniors: Graduating in December? Apply!

If you are planning to graduate in December, you must complete a graduation application!

Applications need to be picked up and returned to 140 Thackeray Hall.

Dates to pick up and submit December Graduation Application: March 27-July 7

3. Bio Major Volunteers Needed for High School Student Visits!

Looking for a new and fun service opportunity? Willing to share your experiences at Pitt and in the Department of Biological Sciences with some future Panthers?

The Department of Biological Sciences needs your help with recruiting! Pitt Admissions encourages High School students to meet with Pitt Undergrads in their prospective major (that’s you!) to get a real-world view of the college experience – would you volunteer to share your experiences as a Bio Dept major at Pitt?

This is a very flexible opportunity! You can volunteer for one time or many times. Want to work with a friend? Great idea!

Meetings could be 15 minutes to a half hour, various days, and scheduling is ongoing.

Our first visits are April 7, 12, and 13. If you are available any one of those days, we’d be ever so grateful!

Contact Christine Berliner (christin@pitt.edu) if you are interested, have questions or want to know more.

4. DSAS Undergrad Research Fair – Mar 29, 11:30am-2pm, WPU

Hosted by the Department of Neuroscience.

Interested in learning about the research that is happening on campus? Attend the Annual Undergraduate Research Fair! Refreshments will be provided!

Questions? Contact Neuroscience Undergraduate Advising at 412-624-5156

5. SEVENSEAS Guest Speaker on Marine Red Algae – Mar 30, 9pm, A214 Langley

On Thursday, March 30th, Pitt SEVENSEAS will be hosting Dr. David Krayesky, a Professor at Slippery Rock University. Dr. Krayesky will be presenting his research on Marine Red Algae, focusing on the biogeography, diversity, systematics, and evolution of various species. Red Algae are ecologically significant photosynthesizers. They produce oxygen for marine life, provide food for herbivorous marine animals, and help maintain coral reef structure. Dr. Krayesky earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Environmental Science, a Master’s Degree in Plant Biology, and PhD in Environmental Biology and Evolution. He is excited to present his research to Pitt students!

Questions? Contact Jordan Katz at jak238@pitt.edu

6. Hunger Simulation – Mar 30, 6-8:30pm, Ballroom WPU

Hosted by the Pitt Pantry.
Have you experienced hunger? Learn about food inequality in Pittsburgh through this interactive experience.

RSVP to pantry@pitt.edu

More info: https://goo.gl/nvmKyD

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7. Actor/Poet Mykee Fowlin Event – Mar 31, 12-2pm, O’Hara Dining Room WPU

The Office of PittServes, will be hosting the speaker Mykee Fowlin, an actor, poet, and psychologist who works towards anti-defamation in schools. He utilizes his skills in acting to portray characters that have been subject to discrimination due to their physical, emotional, or mental statuses. From this, the audience can really understand what it’s like to be different in our streamlined society, having to put on masks in order to fit in and not be who you truly are.

To register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mykee-fowlin-you-dont-know-me-until-you-know-me-tickets-32593984485

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8. PhiDE Pitt Anatomy Fashion Show – Apr 2, 6:30pm, Assembly Room WPU

The Anatomy Fashion show is presented by Phi Delta Epsilon, an international Pre-Medical Fraternity, to benefit Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

Door Open 6:30, Show at 7:00
Tickets $5
Pre-sale the week before (Mar 27-31) at tabling events on campus, or same-day sale in the WPU ticket office. 100% of proceeds to CMNH.

Pitt art students will paint the bodies of volunteers from various student organizations to represent different organ systems. The models will display their organs in a runway walk with commentary from the MC, Jesse Irwin of Pitt Tonight, followed by a minute-to-win-it game against the other anatomical systems models.

ALSO: intermittent performances by student acapella and dance organizations; a presentation by the Children's Miracle Network; audience voting for top model(s); prizes include a $50 Visa gift card to the audience-chosen top model and a donation to the philanthropy of their choice.

All audience members get POP points towards Pitt Dance Marathon (PDM) for the organization they report their attendance to. The organization with the highest attendance will receive a catered event thrown by Phi Delta Epsilon, as well as a half hour playlist of their choice at PDM and a donation to their organization’s PDM profile.

Questions? Contact Chandler Mitchell, cjm155@pitt.edu

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9. Pitt Pre-Health Summit – Apr 2, 8am-3:30pm, Alumni Hall

The inaugural Pitt Pre-Health Summit will be held on April 2nd, 2017. This will be an interprofessional conference for all pre-health students (pre-dental, pre-PA, pre-medical, and more) featuring keynote speakers Jim Withers and Joseph Losee.

Dr. Joseph Losee (http://www.plasticsurgery.pitt.edu/person/joseph-e-losee) will be giving a version of his endowed chair lecture titled "Maintaining Meaning In Medicine," in which he talks about how we can fight burnout and deliver better care by focusing on what is important. Dr. Jim Withers (http://www.cnn.com/2015/05/07/us/cnn-heroes-homeless-doctor-jim-withers/) will be talking about his experiences with Operation Safety Net and delivering care to diverse populations.

There will also be breakout sessions held by many different organizations, for example a suturing lab with the Army Surgical Team, a Poverty Simulation, disease modeling with an epidemiology research group from the School of Public Health, a tour of the Pitt Dental School and Medical School, admissions tips from the Admissions Director of Case Western School of Medicine, and more!
More info & register: https://www.facebook.com/events/271634006598773/

10. Pitt Public Health Week – Apr 3-9

Next week (April 3-9) is National Public Health Week!

Check here for a list of events happening at the Pitt Graduate School of Public Health: https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/nphw

11. History of Med Lecture: Heart & Lung Transplants – Apr 4, 6pm, Lecture Rm 5 Scaife

THE TWENTY NINTH ANNUAL MARK M. RAVITCH HISTORY OF MEDICINE LECTURE

James D. Hardy and the First Heart and Lung Transplants at the University of Mississippi Medical Center

By: Marc E. Mitchell, M.D., Professor of Surgery, University of Mississippi Medical Center

Questions? Contact: Dr. Jonathon Erlen (erlen@pitt.edu)

12. One Health, One Planet Symposium – Apr 4-5

Scientists, medical and public health professionals, animal health professionals, ecologists, architecture and green building professionals, community officials and organizers, educators, and students are invited to join us for One Health, One Planet, an exciting new symposium to explore the interconnectedness of environmental, human and animal health and examine the relationship between health and the built and natural environments in which we live, work, learn and play.

More info & Register: https://phipps.conservatory.org/shop/one-health-one-planet

13. Info Session: Field of Psychiatry – Apr 5, 4-5pm, 37th Floor Cathedral

Sponsored by Health Professions Advising

Learn about the field of psychiatry with Dr. Jason Rosenstock.

Register: https://goo.gl/UQQfgL

14. School of Health & Rehab Sciences Open House – Apr 8

Take this opportunity to meet with SHRS faculty and students from each of their Departments. Learn firsthand about the programs and explore the many career opportunities that are offered. Open House is the perfect time to learn more about the structure of the programs and understand the admissions process.

More info & register: http://www.shrs.pitt.edu/admissions/open-house

15. Med/Dent School Mock Interviews – Apr 9

The medical school students will conduct mock interviews for students planning to apply this cycle on Sunday, April 9 from 2-4 pm.

The link to sign up for a time: https://goo.gl/jZS1QT

Please only sign up for a time if you are able to attend. It is very unprofessional to not show up as it disrupts the whole process and the medical students are willing to devote the time to help you prepare.
16. Info Session: MD/PhD Programs – Apr 13, 4-5pm, 37th Floor Cathedral

Sponsored by Health Professions Advising

Learn about MD/PhD programs with Dr. Richard Steinman.

Register: https://goo.gl/RC97ak

17. Summer Pre-Med Hospital Volunteer Program

2017 SupremEd (Summer Pre-Med) Student Volunteer Program

Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center's six-week SupremEd Volunteer Program offers college students (ages 18 and older) considering a career as a physician the opportunity to gain experience in assisting patients through volunteering at a premier tertiary care, regional referral hospital.

**Student must hold permanent residence in Cambria, Somerset, Bedford, or surrounding counties.**


18. Summer Volunteer Abroad with Global Public Health Brigade

Led by Pitt Global Public Health Brigade

**Looking to volunteer abroad in the summer for a week in HONDURAS?** Global Public Health Brigade is part of the Global Brigades organization, which is a large movement aimed to improve global health and instill holistic development. GPHB’s mission is to empower rural Honduran communities to prevent common illnesses through in-home infrastructural development, community leader training, and health education. Working side-by-side with community members, volunteers improve the overall infrastructure within the home through the construction of five projects: eco-stoves, latrines, water storage units, showers, and concrete floors.

The trip to Honduras will run from May 8th-13th, and there is room for at least 2 more volunteers.

If you are interested, please contact Oana Grigoras at oag8@pitt.edu or (267) 986-9188 as soon as you can!

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Pre-Vet Club – Alternate Thursdays, 8pm, Langley Lobby
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List of officers: https://goo.gl/5XFNhq

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Until next week,

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