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1. Pre-Enrollment Advising Appointments

Avoid the October rush and sign up for your individual advising appointment now! Use the
appointment sheets in A258 Langley. **BRING YOUR BLUE ADVISING FOLDER.**

You are free to meet with any advisor. (We now have FOUR!)

Remember that we are also taking walk-ins for quick questions. Stop by if we can help!

2. **Satisfactory/No-Credit (S/NC) Grade Option – deadline Sep 23**

Go to 140 Thackeray Hall to fill out a grade option change form.

You are allowed to take ONE class in your major with the S/NC grade option. See an advisor if you have additional questions.

“Certain courses are offered on the S/NC (Satisfactory/No-Credit) grade option. This option was designed to encourage students to explore new and potentially difficult subjects without fear of the risks of failure. Under this option, a student who does satisfactory work (a grade of C or better) in a course receives the grade of S. If the student’s work is not satisfactory (a grade of C- or lower), the grade of NC (No Credit) is given. Courses for which an S is received are counted toward graduation, but are not computed in the GPA. Courses in which an NC is received are counted toward neither graduation nor the GPA.”

3. **Howard Hughes Computing Lab Hours**

Looking for a computing lab in the Clapp/Langley/Crawford complex?

Where: 165 Crawford
What: Ten 27” iMacs & Double-sided printer
When:
- Mon: 11am-3pm
- Tues: 12-5pm
- Wed: 10am-3pm
- Thurs: 1pm-5pm
- Fri: 11am-2pm

4. **Academic Resource Center Workshops (FREE)**

Sign up for workshops in the following areas:
- Time Management (Sep 30 @ 2pm)
- Study Skills Boot Camp (Sept 19 @ 6pm)
- Goal Setting (Sep 14 @ 6pm)
- **How to Succeed in the Sciences (Sep 13 @ 5pm)**
- Overcoming Procrastination (Sep 21 @ 6pm)
- Overcoming Test Anxiety (TBD)
- Learning Styles and Test Preparation (Oct 3 @ 6pm)
- Study Smarter, Not Harder (Oct 18 @ 5pm)
- Finals Boot Camp (Dec 8 @ 4pm)

To sign up: [http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/arc/study-skills-workshops-and-consultations](http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/arc/study-skills-workshops-and-consultations)

5. **Tri-Beta Resume Writing Workshop – Sep 14, 8pm, A221 Langley**

The Tri-Beta Biological Honor Society is hosting a Resume Writing Workshop with Dr. Nancy
Kaufmann. This event is open to ALL students.

Please e-mail tribeta.universityofpittsburgh@gmail.com or Monica Sauer at mls202@pitt.edu if you have any questions.

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6. Volunteer Fair – Sep 14, 12-3pm, WPU

Looking for volunteering opportunities? Check out the Office of PittServes 22nd annual Volunteer Fair! More details to come.

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7. Science 2016 Poster Registration – deadline Sep 19

The University of Pittsburgh’s annual celebration of science and technology is coming to Alumni Hall and the Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center on October 19 to October 21. Are you interested in registering your poster for Science 2016?

If you are an undergraduate and have any questions, please e-mail Maryann Gray at academic@pitt.edu.

To register your poster and more info: http://www.science2016.pitt.edu/posters.htm

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8. Fall 2016 Career Fair (STEM) – Sep 28-29, 11am-3pm, WPU

Explore internship and full- and part-time employment opportunities in the STEM fields!

For more details and a list of employers: http://goo.gl/x6jHhv

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9. The Green Program – New Winter & Spring Break Programs

The Green Program is offering accredited, short-term educational abroad opportunities in Iceland and Peru to allow students to bring studies to life through hands-on industry exposure and real-time professional development experiences within the fields of sustainable development.

For more info: http://thegreenprogram.com/

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10. Woodlands Foundation – Weekend Staff Jobs

The Woodlands is a non-profit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of children and adults with disability and chronic illness.

Current Open Positions:
· Weekend Retreat (Overnight) Healthcare Associate
· Weekend Retreat (Overnight) Counselor

To apply or for more info: http://mywoodlands.org/employment/

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11. New York Chiropractic College Presentation – Sep 20, 6-7pm, A219B Langley

Love anatomy? Want a hands-on career? Check out the New York Chiropractic College’s Doctor of Chiropractic program! Meet with the Senior Admissions Counselor. Pizza will also be served!
For more questions, see BIOSC advisors.

12. POMS Pre-Health Conference – Sep 23-24

The Pre-Medical Organization for Minority Students (POMS) wants the future professionals entering the healthcare field to reflect deeply on the health disparities in the current age of medicine, and internalize the importance of challenging the status quo in order to address the nation’s need to eliminate inequities in the quality and availability of health care for underserved and marginalized populations. Therefore, the theme of this year’s conference is "The New Age of Medicine: Becoming Agents of Change, Challenge, and Opportunity."

There will be plenary workshops devoted to all marginalized areas in medicine, including LGBTQ, mental health, refugee, homeless, elderly, adolescent, and minority populations. Distinguished speakers will address new developments in clinical and allied sciences and how to combat rising new and complex issues, covering a broad range of topics, including medical ethics, public health, diversity, health care, and underserved populations. The event is in conjunction with a recruitment fair. Mock interviews will be conducted throughout the conference. Registration also includes a reservation for a banquet and admission to an after-party, as well as access to conference giveaways and prizes, including a free MCAT course.

More info and to register: https://pomsconference2016.eventbrite.com/
Questions? Contact pomsspecialevents@gmail.com

13. Summer 2017 Study Abroad Scholarship Info Sessions

Applicants may apply for two scholarships, but can only receive one award. Students of all majors and courses of study are encouraged to apply. To sign up for an information session, please go to www.nationalityrooms.pitt.edu/scholarshipsgrants or call 412-624-6150.

Upcoming Info Sessions:
· Tuesday, Sep 20, 3-4pm, 204 Cathedral
· Monday, Sep 26, 12:30-1:30pm, 304 Cathedral

14. Archival Scholars Research Award Info Sessions

Undergraduates interested in developing a research project from one of the University Library System’s archive collections for the Archival Scholars Research Award should attend either of the information sessions listed below. During the information sessions, undergraduates can discuss ideas with Dietrich School faculty, representatives from the Office of Undergraduate Research, and librarians. All sessions take place in the Digital Scholarship Commons space located in G-49 Hillman Library.

Upcoming Info Sessions:
· Monday, Oct 3, 4-6pm, G49 Hillman Library
· Thursday, Oct 6, 4-6pm, G49 Hillman Library

More info and to register: http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/our/researchcraft

15. Boren Scholarship Info Session – Sep 14, 12-1pm, 37th Floor Cathedral

Boren Scholars study less-commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. national security interests. Previous language study is NOT required. In exchange for funding, Boren Scholars commit to working in the federal government for at least one year after undergraduate or graduate
school. US Citizenship is required. Other cultural immersion awards will be briefly discussed.

Boren Pitt campus deadline is December 1, 2016.

REGISTER here, [http://goo.gl/forms/Mf2kdRTol0](http://goo.gl/forms/Mf2kdRTol0)

Questions? Contact sjm130@pitt.edu.

16. **Truman & Udall Scholarship Info Session – Sep 21, 12-1pm, 37th Floor Cathedral**

The Harry S. Truman Scholarship recognizes students with extensive community involvement and leadership backgrounds who are interested in public sector careers. Pitt can nominate up to four candidates for this award. Other public service awards will be briefly discussed. Pitt campus deadline is December 1, 2016.

Udall Scholarship awards $5,000 to sophomores and juniors from any discipline. Must demonstrate a commitment to environmental issues through a combination of coursework, research, internships, jobs, or extracurricular activities. Native American or Alaskan native students are also eligible for fields related to tribal health care or tribal policy.

REGISTER here, [http://goo.gl/forms/IDB9WU1NSA](http://goo.gl/forms/IDB9WU1NSA)

Questions? Contact sjm130@pitt.edu.

**Birding and Ornithology Club**

**First Meeting: Thursday, Sep 15 at 6:30pm, WPU**

This club takes birding expeditions to see wild birds around Pittsburgh. All outings are open to beginners. There is about one trip per month, and members can participate in as few or as many activities as they desire.

If you are interested, please attend the first club meeting in front of the William Pitt Union on the side facing the Cathedral. If you are planning on attending, please email pittbirdingclub@gmail.com.

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[www.facebook.com/groups/upittbiologyclub](http://www.facebook.com/groups/upittbiologyclub)

**Biology Club – Alternate Mondays, 8pm, A221 Langley**
9/26, 10/10, 10/24, 11/7, 11/21, 12/5

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[pittbiologyclub@gmail.com](mailto:pittbiologyclub@gmail.com)

**Dental Science Club – Alternate Mondays, 9pm, 216 Cathedral**
9/26, 10/10, 10/24, 11/7, 11/21, 12/5

[www.facebook.com/groups/pittdentalscienceclub](http://www.facebook.com/groups/pittdentalscienceclub)
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**Ecology Club – Alternate Tuesdays, 8:45pm, 540 WPU**
10/6, 10/20, 11/3, 11/17, 12/8
ecologyclubpitt@gmail.com

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Pitt Medlife  
www.facebook.com/groups/285270411670195  
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POMS – Fridays, 5:30pm, 324 Cathedral  
http://www.poms.us  
pomspitt@gmail.com  
https://list.pitt.edu/mailman/listinfo/poms

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Pre-PA Association – Alternate Wednesdays, 9pm (corrected meeting time)  
837 WPU  
9/14, 9/28

527 WPU  
10/12, 10/26, 11/9, 12/7

pittppaa@gmail.com  
https://www.facebook.com/groups/523230964458833/

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Pre-Vet Club – Alternate Thursdays, 8pm, Langley Lobby  
9/22, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3, 11/17, 12/1, 12/8

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https://www.facebook.com/groups/441907539257843/

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TRI-BETA – Alternate Wednesdays, 8pm, A221 Langley  
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