Biology Advising Newsletter 1/27/2015

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1. Pre-enrollment Advising Meetings

We are now taking meetings for long-term planning and to have your hold lifted for Summer and Fall classes.

- Summer enrollment begins Feb 16
- Fall enrollment begins March 24

Beat the crowds!! Come sign up for your appointment now!!

Bring Your Blue Advising Folder to Your Meeting.

2. S/NC deadline - Jan 30

S/NC (Satisfactory/No Credit) Grade option: Under this option, a student who does satisfactory work (a grade of C or better) receives the grade of S. If the student’s work is not satisfactory (a grade of C- or lower), the grade of NC (for no credit) is given. Courses for which S grades are earned are counted toward graduation but are not computed in the GPA. Courses for which NC grades are earned are not counted toward graduation because the NC designates that no credit was earned.

You may take one (1) BIOSC class as S/NC and an unlimited number of co-req or gen-ed classes as S/NC.
Fill out a paper Grade Option form in 140 Thackeray Hall. The final deadline is January 30th.

3. BIOSC Undergraduate Research Poster Session - Jan 30, 4pm - 5:30pm, Langley Lobby

Interested in finding out what undergraduates researchers actually DO in labs? Come check out the Poster Session.

sponsored by the BIOSC Advisors and HHMI

4. Study Skills Bootcamp - Jan 29, 6pm, ARC -or- Feb 20, 2pm, ARC
Presenters: Mike Chirdon-Jones, Vanessa Webb, and Mary Napoli, Academic Resource Center

5. Study Smarter Not Harder with Cognitive Science Strategies - Feb 3, 3pm, ARC
Presenters: Cristina Zepeda and Jane Richey, Learning Research & Development Center

6. Overcoming Test Anxiety - Feb 11, 6pm -or- Feb 13, 2pm, ARC
Presenters: University Counseling Staff

7. Time Management - Feb 18, 6pm -or- Feb 27, 2pm, ARC

8. Internship Week - THIS WEEK !!!

Wed Jan 28
INTERNSHIP WALK IN APPOINTMENTS: 9am - 5pm 200 William Pitt Union
Get started with the internship Guarantee and set a timeline for your search!

Pre-Med & Pre-Health Panel: “How to accrue and track those volunteer and internship hours” - 4pm, William Pitt Union Lower Lounge
With staff from the Honors College, Pitt Serves and CDPA.

Health Related Internship Info Sessions: William Pitt Union Lower Lounge
STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES: 5pm
PITTSBURGH AIDS TASK FORCE: 5:30pm
UPMC: 6pm

Thurs Jan 29
Internship Prep Program: Interviews & Research Noon, 224 William Pitt Union

Tech Connect Job (and Internship) Fair 1:00-5:00pm, Pittsburgh Athletic Association
Professional Attire Required.
RSVP Preferred. Email events@pghtech.org
Sponsored by the Pittsburgh Tech Council and CDPA

Fri Jan 30
MOCK INTERVIEWS: 240 William Pitt Union, CDPA Interview Suites

Think of an interview as a “final exam” that you need to pass in order to secure an internship. If a professor offered a practice exam before your final, wouldn’t you take it?

Schedule a mock interview with a recruiter
• My.pitt.edu > FutureLinks
• Upload a current resume in the Documents tab
• Keyword search “American Red Cross” “CSC” “PLS Logistics” or “UPMC” to select a time slot.

Walk-In Mock Interviews
• Available from 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. with the first available recruiter or career consultant.

Professional Attire and Resumes are Required for all mock interviews.
LinkedIn Photos will be taken upon request!
9. Pitt's Physician Assistant Program Presentation - Feb 13, 12noon, Langley A224

Are You Interested In Working In A Health Profession? Uncertain About Your Career Options? Come Learn About Pitt’s Physician Assistant Program.

Pitt’s School of Health and Rehab. Sciences Clinical Coordinator, Emily Murphy, will provide information on Pitt’s PA program, admissions requirements, curriculum information, and answer any questions about the PA profession. All those interested in Pre-Med or considering other health careers should attend to find out about additional career options in the health field. Please contact the Biological Sciences Advisors if you have any questions.

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10. UPMC Ocular Biomechanics lab looking for summer undergraduate students

Previous summer projects have led to Experimental local and national conference presentations. Volunteer position, but potential financial support available.

Multiple Projects Areas:
- Finite Element Modeling
- Microscopy
- Image Analysis
- Design

For more details about the lab: www.OcularBiomechanics.org

Send an email with cv/resume and interests to Ian Sigal at sigalia@upmc.edu

11. Des Moines University’s Health Professions Advanced Summer Scholars program - due Feb 15

Des Moines University's Health Professions Advanced Summer Scholars program - DMU Health P.A.S.S.- is a great way for promising college students to prepare for and enhance their chances of getting into medical school and other health professions programs. Offered June 6-26, 2015, the program is high-quality, hands-on and FREE. Participants learn what it's like to be a student in a health sciences program.

- DMU will cover the full costs of participants' meals, materials and accommodations at Drake West Village.
- Enrollment is limited to 12 students.
- Preference will be given to qualified applicants from populations under-represented in medicine and health care, including minority, low-income and/or first-generation college students.
- Students must have a minimum cumulative college grade point average of 3.0.

http://www.dmu.edu/admission/healthpass/

12. Summer Institute for Training in Biostatistics - due March 6

The Summer Institute for Training in Biostatistics (SIBS) offers a comprehensive seven week summer training course on biostatistics with relevant examples that include data collected in studies of heart, lung, blood, and sleep disorders. Designed to address a growing imbalance between the demand and supply for biostatisticians, the course targets undergraduates and beginning graduate students who are interested in learning about biostatistics. The program will provide an intensive introduction to biostatistical approaches and research by exposing participants to the principles, methodologies, uses, and applications of statistical methods in biomedical and clinical research.

For Summer 2015, the NHLBI supports eight SIBS programs:
- Boston University Medical Campus
- Columbia University
- Emory University
- North Carolina State University-Raleigh
- University of Iowa
- University of Minnesota
- University of Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh
- University of Wisconsin at Madison
13. Gilman International Scholarship Program - due March 3

The U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs’ Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program is pleased to announce that the online application is now open for students participating in study abroad programs and internships during the summer 2015 and fall 2015. The Gilman Program aims to diversify the kinds of students who study and intern abroad and the countries and regions where they go.

Summer 2015 & Fall 2015 online applications are due March 3, 2015 by 11:59pm (central)

Eligibility requirements:
• Enrolled as an undergraduate student at an accredited two- or four-year U.S. institution
• Receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application or during the term abroad
• United States citizen
• Participating in a study abroad program or internship that is no less than four weeks (28 days) - or two weeks (14 days) for current community college students - in one country and no more than an academic year
• Applying to or accepted into a study abroad program or internship eligible for academic credit by the student's home institution
• Studying or interning in any country not currently under a U.S. State Department Travel Warning or Cuba.

www.iie.org/gilman

BIOLOGY CLUB - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221
1/27, 2/10, 2/24, 3/10, 3/24, 4/7

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ECOLOGY CLUB - Select Wednesdays, 8:45pm, 540 WPU
1/28, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/18, 3/25, 4/8, 4/15

pittecologyclub@gmail.com

PRE-VET CLUB - Thursdays, 8:30pm, Langley Lobby
pittprevet@gmail.com

Pitt iGEM 2015 Team

iGEM is an international competition for students interested in using synthetic biology to solve some of the world’s most demanding issues. Students will dedicate the summer to create a solution for the issue at hand. Participating in iGEM is not only a great opportunity to be involved in a multifaceted and interdisciplinary research project, but also a great way for student to gain valuable leadership experiences. Also, students will have the chance to attend the Giant Jamboree and mingle with a community of bright and talented scientists from all around the world.

Questions: igem.pitt@gmail.com

POMS - Fridays, 5:30pm, WPU 837
Premedical Organization for Minority Students
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https://list.pitt.edu/mailman/listinfo/poms
TRI-BETA - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221
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