Biology Advising Newsletter 10/21/2014

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1. Spring Enrollment Dates

NOW - your online enrollment appointment is available in Student Center
(The day and time that PeopleSoft has assigned for you to enter the system and enroll in Spring classes.)

NOW - make an advising appointment to prepare for enrollment and get your hold removed
(All 3 advisors have signup sheets in A258 Langley Hall)

NOW - PeopleSoft Class Search/Shopping Cart available

NOW - Spring course descriptions available at http://www.courses.as.pitt.edu

NEXT WEEK - Oct 27 - Spring registration begins

2. BIOSC syllabi

Trying to decide which BIOSC elective to take?

You can check out syllabi for the BISOC courses at:
http://biology.pitt.edu/undergraduate/courses/biosc-courses
3. Course Withdraw Deadline - Oct 24

October 24 is the deadline for students to withdraw from an undergraduate course in the Dietrich School without penalty or credit.

4. Academic Skills One-Hour Workshops

**Overcoming Procrastination** - Oct 29, 6pm, ARC G-1 Gardner Steel
**Overcoming Procrastination** - Nov 7, 2pm, 540 William Pitt Union

Light refreshments will be served. Students can receive OCC credit for each workshop they attend.
Register: [http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/success/arc_workshops.html](http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/success/arc_workshops.html)

5. Winter Break Caribbean Ecosystem Field Studies

This 3 credit field course offered through the University of Montana runs Dec 29 - Jan 16. Based on the Caribbean coast of Mexico, you will have the opportunity to study, snorkel and SCUBA dive while gaining career skills in hands-on ecosystem field research.

*Please note:* Pitt's Spring Term begins on January 5th. However, if you will be finished with your other classes in December, you could remain an undergraduate until April to take advantage of this course.

www.ecofs.org
Questions: Steve Johnson steve@ecofs.org

6. Seniors, Applying to Grad School next year? Ford Foundation Fellowship - Deadline Nov 19

Through its Fellowship Programs, the Ford Foundation seeks to increase the diversity of the nation’s college and university faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, to maximize the educational benefits of diversity, and to increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students.

Full eligibility information and online applications are available at: [http://nationalacademies.org/ford](http://nationalacademies.org/ford)

Stipends and Allowances: $24,000 / year for three years

7. Western Pennsylvania Conservancy: Stewardship Workday – Nov 8

WPC staff will host an end of-year meeting and potluck on Nov. 8. Staff and volunteers will finalize any remaining trail work in the morning, followed by a potluck lunch and informal meeting. Join us as we reflect on the 2014 season and talk about what's to come.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Easement and Land Stewardship Coordinator Andrew Zadnik at 412-586-2318 or AZadnik@paconserve.org.

https://www.facebook.com/WaterLandLife

8. Hemlock Woolly Adelgid Volunteer Training - Oct 28, 6:30pm-8:30pm, Clarion University

Training in HWA identification and hemlock monitoring techniques to be able to identify infestations.
For more details or questions, contact Sarah Johnson (sejohnson@tnc.org) or Andrea Hille (ahille@fs.fed.us)

Science and Technology Bldg Room 120
840 Wood St, Clarion, PA 16214
*Park in large parking lot across Greenville Ave from the Gym; Cross street and enter Science and Technology Building*

9. GO VOTE! - Nov 4
Next election is November 4.

If you need a Pennsylvania absentee ballot: http://www.dosimages.pa.gov/pdf/AbsenteeBallotApplication.pdf

Regardless of home state, check your polling place here: https://www.google.com/?gws_rd=ssl#q=how+to+vote

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10. Conservation/Global Health Study Abroad Presentation - Oct 27, 5:30pm, Langley A221

Interested in studying ecology in the tropics or learning about international health related issues? Want to earn Biology credit while studying abroad?

The Organization for Tropical Studies (OTS) representative, Allison Riley, will present information about the hands-on study abroad programs available in Costa Rica and South Africa. She will explain the programs' requirements, review the application process, and describe the various Conservation Biology and Global Health opportunities available during the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Many of these courses satisfy Pitt BIOSC electives. If interested in learning more, please attend or distribute this information to others that may be interested. Contact a Biological Sciences advisor if you have any questions. This presentation is co-sponsored by the Ecology Club.

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11. Pitt School of Public Health Open House - Nov 7, 10am-3pm

http://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/home/prospective-students/admissions/visit/open-house

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TRI-BETA - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221
10/21, 11/4, 11/18, 12/2

www.facebook.com/groups/tribetapitt

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BIOLOGY CLUB - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221
10/28, 11/11, 11/25, 12/9

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PITT OUTDOORS CLUB - Tuesdays, 9pm, WPU Patio & Lawn
https://www.facebook.com/PittOutdoorsClub

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BIRDING & ORNITHOLOGY CLUB
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OPTOMETRY CLUB
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ECOLOGY CLUB - Alternate Mondays, 5:30pm, 540 WPU
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10/27, 11/10, 11/24, 12/8

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

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POMS - Fridays, 5:30pm, location varies
Premedical Organization for Minority Students
www.poms.us
pomspitt@gmail.com
https://list.pitt.edu/mailman/listinfo/poms

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Panther Cure Finder - Alternate Tuesdays, 9pm, Cathedral 358
10/21, 11/4, 11/18, 12/2

questions: MNW17@pitt.edu

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Plant2Plate

We will now be meeting at 5pm for harvests on Wednesdays. It is too dark to do it any later in the day.

http://www.pitt.edu/~sorc/plant2plate/
plant2plate@gmail.com

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Until next week,

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