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**Bio Advising Newsletter – 1/12/2016**

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**1. Advising Walk-Ins**

The advisors are primarily taking walk-ins to serve students with time-sensitive questions, scheduling issues, and permissions. Drop by if we can help you with something!

Appointments for in-depth Academic and Career planning, and Summer / Fall Term Advising Holds begin **January 20**. Sign-up Sheets with all three advisors are out in the Advising Office now.

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**2. Spring Term Deadlines**

Add/Drop - Tuesday Jan 19

S/NC Grade Option - Wednesday Feb 3

*"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."*

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**3. UTA, Research & Intern Forms for Credits – deadline Jan 19**

The enrollment forms need to be turned into an advisor before the end of the add/drop deadline on January 19. You can pick up a blank form from an Advisor in A258 Langley Hall or download from our website:  
<http://www.biology.pitt.edu/undergraduate/forms>

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**4. Resume/Curriculum Vitae (CV) Workshop – Jan 22, 3-5pm, A214 Langley**

A resume/CV workshop for students applying for science fellowship, lab tech, summer research, and biology-related positions. Bring pen, paper and a CV or resume draft if you have it.

**Please RSVP so we can plan for refreshments:** <http://tinyurl.com/resume2016>

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**5. Present at Biological Sciences Undergraduate Poster Session – abstracts due Jan 19**

Posters Session is **Jan 29, 4-5:30pm, 219B Langley & Langley Lobby**

To present your research, abstracts for the poster session are due Jan 19 to [rescert@pitt.edu](mailto:rescert@pitt.edu).  
<http://www.biology.pitt.edu/abstract> contains formatting guidelines and advice.

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**6. Poster Session by Undergrad Researchers – Jan 29, 4-5:30pm, 219B Langley & Langley Lobby**

Ask questions about their research and see what these undergraduates do in labs.

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**7. January Academic Resource Center Workshops**

For more details: <http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/arc/study-skills-workshops-and-consultations>

- Jan 13 – Goal Setting
- Jan 15 – Time Management
- Jan 26 – How to Succeed in Science Courses
- Jan 27 – Learning Style and Test Preparation

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**8. The Pitt Pulse Winter 2016 Issue**

The Winter 2016 Issue of The Pitt Pulse is available now! Read about the beauty of silence, walking with dinosaurs, farmland of the future, and more! Read all articles online: <http://www.thepittpulse.org/volume-vi-issue-ii>

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**9. PittServes Volunteer Fair – Jan 13, 11am-2pm, G1 Steel Conference Center**

Looking for volunteer opportunities? Check out Pitt's Winter Volunteer Fair!

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**10. MLK Day of Service – Jan 19, 8:30am-2:30pm**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: 'What are you doing for others?'" Each year, University of Pittsburgh students and staff join Americans across the country answer that question by coming together on the King Holiday to serve their neighbors and communities. This is the only federal holiday observed as a national day of service. Let's work together to make it "a day on, not a day off".

For registration details: <http://www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/pittserves/mlkservice>

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**11. Senior Career Boot Camp – Jan 19, 6-8pm, Ballroom WPU**

Learn about personal branding, networking, career event preparation, and much more! All seniors will receive a padfolio. Free pizza!

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**12. University Honors College Scholarship – deadline Jan 22**

The University Honors College (UHC) Scholarship Program provides \$2,000 in tuition support to approximately forty outstanding undergraduate students each year. This scholarship should be of special interest to students whose excellent work was not predicted by high school performance, to transfer students, and to students who applied too late to be considered for a scholarship upon matriculation.

For more information/application: <http://honorscollege.pitt.edu/uhc-scholarships>

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**13. Udall Scholarship 2016 – first deadline Feb 5**

The Udall Foundation awards scholarships to college sophomores and juniors for leadership, public service, and commitment to issues related to American Indian nations or to the environment. In 2016, the Udall Foundation will award 60 scholarships of up to \$7,000 each.

For more information and application process: <http://www.honorscollege.pitt.edu/scholarships/national-scholarships-advising/national-scholarships-require-pitt-endorsement/udall-sch>

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**14. Freeman-ASIA Study Abroad Scholarship – deadline Mar 1**

Freeman Awards for Study in Asia (Freeman-ASIA) provides scholarships for undergraduates with demonstrated financial need to study abroad in East or Southeast Asia. U.S. citizenship or permanent residency required.

For more information and application process: <http://www.iie.org/Programs/Freeman-ASIA>

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**15. NIST Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship – Pitt Internal deadline Jan 29**

National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST) Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) is a program for students majoring in biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering, materials science, mathematics, nanoscale science, neutron research, and/or physics. Note that applications for participation in the SURF program are only accepted from colleges and universities, and not from individual students. Each college or university prepares a single proposal that includes a portion completed by an institutional representative and a set of materials provided by each student applicant.

NIST consists of seven laboratories: Center for Nanoscale Science and Technology (CNST), Communications Technology Laboratory (CTL), Engineering (EL), Information Technology (ITL), Material Measurement (MML), Center for Neutron Research (NCNR), Physical Measurement (PML). All seven of the NIST laboratories participate in the SURF program. Students are encouraged to visit <http://www.nist.gov/laboratories.cfm> to learn about the multi-disciplinary nature of each laboratory.

For more information and how to apply: <https://upitt.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1747123>

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**16. Asthma, Allergy, and Autoimmunity Institute Summer Research Internship Program – deadline Feb 15**

The Asthma, Allergy, and Autoimmunity Institute (AAAI) at Allegheny Health Network (AHN) is seeking applicants for its Class of 2016 Summer Internship Program. The AAAI Summer Internship Program, based in Pittsburgh, PA, offers undergraduate, graduate, and professional degree students the opportunity to conduct an independent research project over the course of an eight-week internship under the mentorship of an AAAI faculty member.

Program Specifics:  
·8 weeks (June 6-July 29)

For more information and how to apply: <http://apply.interfolio.com/32093>

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**17. TECBio REU at Pitt – deadline Feb 15**

Our Training and Experimentation in Computational Biology (TECBio): "Simulation and Visualization of Biological Systems at Multiple Scales" REU program is a 10-week summer program that will provide a challenging and fulfilling graduate-level research experience to undergraduate students. Students will receive classroom training in topics pertinent to the emerging field of computational biology, such as computational structural biology, cell and systems modeling, computational genomics, and bioimage informatics. Additionally, TECBio students will participate in a journal club, attend research and career seminars organized specifically for the program, take part in an ethics forum that will instruct them in the responsible conduct of research, present their work at a Pittsburgh-wide annual research symposium, and experience the various social and cultural activities available in Pittsburgh - America's most livable city.

Program Specifics:

- 10 weeks (May 23-July 29), \$5250 stipend, housing, and travel

For more information and how to apply: <http://www.tecbioreu.pitt.edu/>

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**18. Chinese University of Hong Kong SURP – deadline Feb 15**

The Summer Undergraduate Research Programme (SURP) at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) is an institutional initiative to encourage international undergraduate students to develop their research skills through undertaking a short-term research attachment at CUHK during the summer.

SURP allows incoming students from all academic disciplines to develop research skills and knowledge in a specific area of interest; join a world-class research team and build networks with leading experts in the field; as well as to experience postgraduate studies first hand. Students participating in SURP will conduct a research project under the supervision of a CUHK faculty member for approximately eight to ten weeks. Upon successful completion of the programme, they will be awarded three credits.

Program Specifics:

- 10 weeks (June 6-August 12)
- 8 weeks (June 20-August 12)
- On campus housing provided
- No tuition, but accommodation & administrative fees apply. Students are responsible for airfare, insurance, and other living expenses.

For more information and how to apply: <http://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/index.php/study-abroad-a-exchanges-for-visiting-students/surp/surp-2016>

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**19. Pitt Mentor/Mentee Summer Fellowship – deadline Feb 15**

This 11-WEEK program for University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh campus) undergraduates interested in research runs May-August. The program includes:

**A 2-week Group Project.** Teams tackle a research project together. Junior and Senior undergraduates paired with Freshmen and Sophomores will master a set of research skills and learn about research and facilities across the department.

**A 9-week research rotation in a Faculty Laboratory.** All students will work in different labs throughout the department for the remainder of the summer. Students will share their research with each other in a weekly student seminar series. Students will hear from faculty about their lab experiences in another seminar series.

Program Specifics:

- 11 weeks (May 23-August 5), stipend

For more information and how to apply: <http://www.biology.pitt.edu/undergraduate/awards-and-fellowships/mentormentee>

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**20. Undergraduate Biology Education Research at UGA – deadline Feb 26**

The Undergraduate Biology Education Research (UBER) REU Site at the University of Georgia is a nine-week program to involve undergraduates in designing and conducting research on undergraduate biology teaching and learning with mentorship from faculty from the University of Georgia Division of Biological Sciences and College of Education. The goals of the program are to develop undergraduates' knowledge and skills in biology education research, encourage undergraduates to pursue doctoral study of biology teaching and learning, expand the diversity of the talent pool in biology education research, and contribute to the development of theory and knowledge about biology education in ways that can inform biology instruction.

Program Specifics:

9 weeks (May 23-July 23), stipend, housing, travel assistance

For more information and how to apply: <http://uber.coe.uga.edu/>

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**BIOLOGY CLUB - Tuesdays, 8:30pm, A221 Langley**  
1/12, 1/19, 2/2, 2/16, 3/1, 3/15, 3/29, 4/12

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**ECOLOGY CLUB - 8:45pm, 540 WPU**  
1/21 (first meeting only-7pm, 630 WPU), 2/3, 3/2, 3/16, 3/30, 4/13

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

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**NATURAL SCIENCE RESEARCH CLUB - Wednesdays, 7:30pm, A224 Langley**  
1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24, 3/2, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13

<https://pitt2.collegiatelink.net/organization/naturalscience>  
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**OPTOMETRY CLUB**  
[pittoptclub@gmail.com](mailto:pittoptclub@gmail.com)

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**PANTHER CURE FINDER**  
questions: [MNW17@pitt.edu](mailto:MNW17@pitt.edu)

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**PITT OUTDOORS CLUB - Tuesdays, 9pm, 236 Cathedral**  
1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/1, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/6, 4/12, 4/19

<https://www.facebook.com/PittOutdoorsClub>  
<http://pittoutdoors.blogspot.com/>

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**POMS- Fridays, 5:30pm, 324 Cathedral**  
Premedical Organization for Minority Students  
1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/4, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15

<http://www.poms.us>  
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<https://list.pitt.edu/mailman/listinfo/poms>

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**PRE-PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT CLUB - Alternate Wednesdays, 9pm, 837 WPU**  
1/20, 2/3, 2/17, 3/2, 3/16, 3/30, 4/13

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