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1. Pre-Enrollment Advising Meetings

Sign up for an appointment NOW to have you hold lifted for Summer and Fall classes!!

*New declares must attend a Group Advisory Meeting before scheduling an appointment.

- Summer enrollment begins Feb 15
- Fall enrollment begins Mar 28

All three advisors have appointment sheets in A258 Langley Hall. Once you sign up for an appointment, write it down or put it in your calendar.

BRING YOUR ADVISING FOLDER WITH AN UPDATED PLAN TO YOUR MEETING.

Remember we are also taking walk-ins for quick questions. Stop by if we can help you with something.

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2. Spring Term Deadlines

S/NC Grade Option - Wednesday Feb 3

To choose S/NC, complete a GRADE OPTION form in Student Records, 140 Thackeray Hall.

"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. January Academic Resource Center Workshops

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

Jan 26 – How to Succeed in Science Courses (6-7pm, G1 Gardner Steel Conf. Center)

Jan 27 – Learning Style and Test Preparation (3-4pm, G1 Gardner Steel Conf. Center)

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4. Lecture: Monitoring Groundwater Variability from Space – Jan 27, 4pm, Alumni Hall

Speaker: Dr. Matthew Rodell, Chief, Hydrological Sciences Laboratory, NASA Goddard Spaceflight Center

Since 2002 NASA's Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment (GRACE) satellite mission has delivered gravity field observations which have been used to infer variations in total terrestrial water storage, including groundwater, at regional to continental scales. Challenges to using GRACE for groundwater monitoring include its relatively coarse spatial and temporal resolutions, its inability to differentiate groundwater from other types of water on and under the land surface, and typical 2-3 month data latency.

In this presentation Rodell will describe progress to date on overcoming these challenges and applying GRACE, together with other observations and tools, for monitoring groundwater, and what has been revealed about groundwater variability and trends in regions where only anecdotal evidence existed previously.

To reserve a seat: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1DIoXRdV0Z2dsCqkqSbi0SvWPqTCqWEHJz7Fx_oy8qjI/viewform

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5. Pitt Birding Club National Aviary Trip – Jan 30, 12:30pm

"The National Aviary is on the North Side of Pittsburgh and is the nation's only non-profit indoor bird zoo, housing over 500 birds. If you've never been there before, it's a great place to see rare, exotic, and endangered bird species. They also have free-flight bird shows, feeding events, and an avian clinic. Everyone will be responsible for his or her own admission price (\$14).

We will meet at 12:30pm in the 1st floor Common Room of the Cathedral of Learning, then take a bus over together. At the latest, we will be back by 5:00pm. You can also feel free to leave earlier than the group. If you are planning to come, please RSVP by sending me an email (pittbirdingclub@gmail.com) so we know how many to expect."

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6. Panel: The Humanities- Can you afford to leave college without them? – Feb 2, 7pm, Ballroom A University Club

The panel will look at the surrounding issues and myths of whether the liberal arts are suffering and what, exactly, constitutes a "good" education and an educated person.

This high-prestige panel includes participants from inside and outside the University, with CNN journalist Fareed Zakaria, author of *In Defense of a Liberal Education*, and host of CNN's flagship international program, *Fareed Zakaria GPS*; Gina Barreca, PhD, English Professor at the University of Connecticut; Arthur S. Levine, MD, Dean of the School of Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh; Helen Small, PhD – English Professor at the University of Oxford; and Hunter R. Rawlings III, PhD, President of the Association of American Universities (AAU).

To register: tinyurl.com/PittHumanities

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7. Internship Week – Jan 25-29, WPU – THIS WEEK!

Meet recruiters and enjoy food and chances to win all week long!

For a full schedule, visit: <http://www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/cdpa/news-events>

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8. Pre-Health/Pre-Med Info Session – Jan 26, 4-6pm, Lower Lounge WPU

During Internship Week, featuring: Allegheny General Hospital, Family House, and Children's Hospital of UPMC.

9. BIOSC 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.

Sponsored by HHMI and The Biological Sciences Advisors

10. Calgary University Graduate Student Recruitment Competition – deadline Jan 31

Special graduate student recruitment campaign - University of Calgary. For students interested in pursuing an MSc or PhD in the biomedical sciences.

There's only one week left until the deadline for a special graduate student recruitment campaign of the University of Calgary's Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (within the Cumming School of Medicine).

Applications are being collected now until midnight (MST) on January 31st, 2016 and all shortlisted candidates will be flown (free of charge!) to Calgary, Canada in March of 2016 for interviews and visits with our students, staff and the facilities.

For details visit <http://ucalgary.ca/bmb/recruits>

11. Mylan Networking Night – Feb 4

Mylan is a global pharmaceutical company with headquarters in Canonsburg, PA. Mylan leaders will be on hand to provide an overview of the company and discuss internship opportunities in many departments, including: Accounting and Finance, Communications, Human Resources, Information Technology, Manufacturing, Marketing, Operations, Quality, Regulatory Affairs, Research and Development, Supply Chain.

Date: Thursday, Feb. 4, 2016

Time: Registration and Refreshments: 4:30 – 6 p.m.; Networking: 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Robert J. Coury Global Center at Southpointe; 1000 Mylan Boulevard Canonsburg, PA 15317

Dress: Business

Register by Monday, Feb. 1, 2016. First-come, first-served.

RSVP: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B8GBWKS>

Need transportation? After you have registered and received an email confirmation from Mylan (by EOB February 2nd), RSVP for Van Transportation by Feb 3, 3pm: https://pitt.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bDzzHIaOmQp8Uhn
Space is limited. We will be meeting to depart at 3:30pm. After you complete the RSVP, you will receive email confirmation of your van spot and departure specifics.

12. Princeton Review Free Practice Tests – Mar 19, Carnegie Mellon University

The Princeton Review is hosting **free** graduate school practice tests on March 19 for the MCAT, LSAT, GRE, and GMAT at Carnegie Mellon University.

See links below to register:

MCAT (9am-4:30pm): <http://www.princetonreview.com/product/offerings/285549>

LSAT (2:30pm-6:30pm): <http://www.princetonreview.com/product/offerings/285550>

GRE (9am-1:30pm): <http://www.princetonreview.com/product/offerings/285528>

GMAT (10am-2:30pm): <http://www.princetonreview.com/product/offerings/285551>

13. Florida International University Biomedical and Comparative Immunology Symposium – deadline Jan 29

The deadline for **Abstract Submission & Travel Bursary Award Applications** is quickly approaching for the 18th Annual Biomedical & Comparative Immunology (BCI) Symposium! The symposium will be held in the MARC Pavilion at Florida International University, Miami, FL on March 3rd & 4th, 2016.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION Undergraduates, post baccalaureates, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and faculty in the biomedical sciences are invited to submit an abstract for the 18th Annual Biomedical & Comparative Immunology Symposium. The symposium will showcase various research projects in our oral and poster sessions.

- Abstract Submission Deadline: Friday, January 29th, 2016 by 5PM
- For required abstract guidelines and to submit: https://fiu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_063cKxFW08w6UvP

TRAVEL BURSARY AWARDS A limited number of travel bursaries up to \$500 each are available. Preference will be given to undergraduate and graduate students interested in presenting and post-doctoral fellows interested in attending the Symposium.

- Travel Bursary Award Applications Deadline: Friday, January 29th, 2016 by 5PM
- To submit an application: https://fiu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0HdaCNkHRWscOYR

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION All participants are required to register for the 18th Annual Biomedical & Comparative Immunology Symposium. While there will be on-site registration (second floor of MARC Building), we highly recommend that participants pre-register for the symposium. Registration is free for FIU and other students with valid identification; however, in order to be included for meals and refreshments, everyone must complete the registration form on-line prior to the symposium. The registration fee includes a light continental breakfast, refreshments, lunch and the Friday afternoon reception.

- Online (Early Bird) Registration Deadline: Friday, February 12th, 2016
- Register for the symposium: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/18th-annual-biomedical-and-comparative-immunology-bci-symposium-tickets-19802546951>

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14. 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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15. 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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16. Summer Research Opportunities Website

Are you still looking for summer research programs? Most programs include a stipend and some include housing & travel assistance. Some programs are still accepting applications so apply today!

For opportunities: <http://www.biology.pitt.edu/undergraduate/research/outside-pitt>

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BIOLOGY CLUB - Tuesdays, 8:30pm, A221 Langley
2/9, 2/23, 3/22, 4/5, 4/19

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ECOLOGY CLUB – 8:45pm, 540 WPU
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NATURAL SCIENCE RESEARCH CLUB – Wednesdays, 7:30pm, A224 Langley
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>
<https://www.facebook.com/pittnsrcl>

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OPTOMETRY CLUB
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PANTHER CURE FINDER
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PITT OUTDOORS CLUB – Tuesdays, 9pm, 236 Cathedral
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
1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/4, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15

<http://www.poms.us>
pomspitt@gmail.com
<https://list.pitt.edu/mailman/listinfo/poms>

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

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/523230964458833/>

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PRE-VET CLUB – Alternate Mondays, 9pm, Langley Lobby
2/1, 2/15, 2/29, 3/14, 3/28, 4/11

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Until next week,

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