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Bio Advising Newsletter – 4/11/2017

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1. Advising Appointments

Fall enrollment has begun! If you still have a Fall advising hold, make an appointment to have your hold lifted.

We can remove your advising hold even if you have a \$\$ financial hold.

Appointment sheets are located in A258 Langley Hall. Bring your advising folder with an updated plan to your meeting.

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2. Fall Term Course Updates

New Course Number

BIOSC 1275 – Genomics*

-Pre-Req: BIOSC 0350

*This course counts as a higher-level elective for the BIOSC major.

Changes in Course Offerings

BIOSC 1320 – Population Biology: MOVED TO SPRING TERM

BIOSC 1440 – Animal Behavior: OFFERED FOR THE FALL TERM

-Pre-Req: BIOSC 0160

-Co-Req: BIOSC 0370

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3. Seniors: Graduating in December? Apply!

If you are planning to graduate in December, you must complete a graduation application!

Applications need to be picked up and returned to 140 Thackeray Hall.

Dates to pick up and submit December Graduation Application: March 27-July 7

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4. Bio Major Volunteers Needed for High School Student Visits! – Apr 12-14, 21

Looking for a new and fun service opportunity? Willing to share your experiences at Pitt and in the Department of Biological Sciences with some future Panthers?

This is a very flexible opportunity! You can volunteer for one time or many times. Want to work with a friend? Great idea!

We ask that you commit to at least 30 minutes during the times you may be available.

Our next visits are:

Wednesday, April 12 (**TOMORROW**): 12-4pm

Thursday, April 13: 2-5pm

Friday, April 14: 12-5pm

Friday, April 21: 12-5pm

If you are available any one of those days, we'd be ever so grateful!

Contact Christine Berliner (christin@pitt.edu) if you are interested, have questions or want to know more.

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5. Bio Dept Honors Undergrad Symposium – Apr 13-14

Student enrolled in Departmental Honors Program in Biological Sciences, the Life Sciences Research Certificate and the Horowitz Fellow will present their research at four symposia in the upcoming weeks of this semester. Please come and hear some of the exciting research being done by some of our outstanding undergraduates!

Thursday April 13, 2:30 - 4:30 pm, Langley 219B

Olivia Parks (Kolls Lab)

Preethi Sankaran (Boyle Lab)

Sarah Post (Boyle Lab)

Mark Batistick (VanDemark Lab)
Keith O'Connor (VanDemark Lab)

Friday April 14, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Langley 214

Haylee Baxendell (Sumpter Lab)
Ciara Kernan (Caldwell, Page Lab)
Gregory Campbell (Chapman Lab)
Will Miller (Kaufmann Lab)

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6. Stress Free Zone

Looking to de-stress before finals week? Check out the Stress Free Zone in WPU for a list of classes and walk-in hours!

Stress Free Zone April Calendar: <https://www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/shs/stressfree/calendar/>

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7. Biology Tutoring Opportunity

INVESTING NOW, the SSoE pre-college program, is currently seeking an undergraduate Biology Major or related major to tutor high school students in Biology 1 & 2 during the tutor's available times 3PM-7PM M-Th. here in Benedum Hall for the remaining weeks of the 2016-2017 high school academic year, May 8-June 2. Pay is \$8.15/hour and child abuse clearances for working with minors, PA State Police Criminal Record Check, FBI Criminal Record Check, PA Child Abuse History Clearance, will be processed and paid for by INVESTING NOW.

If interested, apply to PittSource: <http://www.pittsource.com/postings/134045>

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8. Info Session: MD/PhD Programs – Apr 13, 4-5pm, 37th Floor Cathedral

Sponsored by Health Professions Advising
Learn about MD/PhD programs with Dr. Richard Steinman.
Register: <https://goo.gl/RC97ak>

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9. Physician Assistant Virtual Fair – Apr 19-20

In an ideal world, you'd be able to visit every PA school you are interested in. You would see the campus, chat with faculty, and get your questions answered.
Well, here is the next best thing: virtual fairs. Not familiar with virtual fairs? They're a way to connect with programs right from your computer or phone.
You can visit each program's "room" and have direct access to faculty and staff. Learn more about programs, get application tips, and find out about admission requirements. You'll also have access to a CASPA representative so you can get details about the application process. The best part? It's **FREE!**

This year's virtual fairs will be held on **April 19–20** and **July 18–19**. You can register now for the April virtual fair.

[Register Now](#)

Have questions? Email us at events@careereco.com

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10. Undergrad Research Assistant Positions

Supervising Faculty:

Cynthia A. Conklin, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Psychiatry

Becky Clarkson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Urology

As an undergraduate research assistant, you will become part of a research team investigating the impact of conditioned cues on brain reactivity and situational urgency incontinence in women. If you have a genuine interest in learning more about research, MRI imagining studies, want hands on experience, and are a reliable student, please apply.

Duties of Students:

Students will be involved in screening potential research participants, aiding with study recruitment, setting up subject folders and prepping the experimental MRI sessions, escorting subjects to the MRI lab, and attending lab meetings. Students should be available at least 3 days per week. Total number of hours of participation per week will be 10 hours for 3 credits. Scheduling of hours is flexible.

Requirements:

~ 3.0 GPA

~ Strong interest in human experimental research

~ Only highly motivated students should apply

Questions & Apply – Contact: Dr. Conklin: (412) 586-9840 conklinca@upmc.edu

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11. Summer Edge in Wyoming (Scholarship Available)

Students who are accepted and enroll in the Summer Edge in Wyoming program will be awarded a Paul Scripko Scholarship for \$800 to help defray expenses (for up to 15 students). Some spaces are filled but there is still time to apply. The following website provides a full description and instructions:

<http://www.summeredge.pitt.edu/programs/wyoming.php>

This unique offering by our University will take place in historic Laramie, Wyoming, by special arrangements with the University of Wyoming, from June 12 - July 8, 2017. The program will be led by political scientist and award-winning teacher, Dr. Andrew Lotz, and will include regional field trips and guest speakers.

For questions, please send an email to Dr. Andrew Lotz at ANL7@pitt.edu.

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12. Hesselbein Global Academy

Location and Dates

University of Pittsburgh

Saturday, July 22 - Tuesday, July 25, 2017

This one-of-a-kind program offers participants a transformative, globally-minded leadership experience right here on campus! Through the annual Hesselbein Student Leadership Summit, student leaders from around the world converge on our campus for an intensive four-day experience. Delegates participate in interactive workshops, receive mentorship from government and business leaders, and take part in hands-on problem solving sessions.

To apply: <http://www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/hesselbein/apply-here/>

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Until next week,

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