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Bio Advising Newsletter – 9/18/2018

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1. Advising Meetings, spring enrollment prep

Spring Enrollment advising meetings have begun! The first day of enrollment is October 29!

Stop by A258 Langley and sign up to meet with an advisor now to get your hold lifted for Spring! *New Declares need to attend a group advising meeting first.*

Advising meetings will take about 30 minutes. Please bring your blue advising folder to your scheduled meeting.

Remember that we also take walk-ins for quick questions.



2. S/NC Grade Option – deadline Sep 21 (FRIDAY)

You have until Sep 21 by completing a form to change your grade option in 140 Thackeray Hall from a letter grade to Satisfactory/No Credit. **Please note that this is not reversible.**

“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.”



3. S/NC Questions Walk-In Hours

Are you thinking about changing the grade option for a class to Satisfactory/No Credit? Your advisors will be having walk-in hours this week if you want to talk to someone before changing the option.

Stop by A258 Langley during the following days and times and speak with the designated advisor:

- Thurs, Sep 20: 11:30am-1pm with Ellen
- Thurs, Sep 20: 4:30-5:30pm with Christine
- Fri, Sep 21: 10-11am with Dan
- Fri, Sep 21: 2-3pm with Jessica



4. Walk-In Resume/CV Feedback with Ellen

Ellen will be holding walk-in hours in for resume/CV feedback on Thursdays and Fridays. Bring a copy of your resume/CV if you want to review it with her.

Where: A257 Langley

When: Thursdays 2-3pm, Fridays 12-1pm



5. Molecular Biology Majors: Class of 2019!

Being such a small subset of our large biology department, Molecular Biology seniors would like to gather interested students who would want apparel with Molecular Biology on it! Ideas include short-sleeve tees, long-sleeve, quarter zips, etc.

If you are interested in purchasing Molecular Biology apparel, contact Zenas Zhuang at zez6@pitt.edu.



6. Peer Advisors Walk-ins this week

This semester we have 8 upperclass Biology Peer Advisors who will be available to share their experiences both in and out of the classroom. Peer Advisors will be holding regular walk-in hours now in Langley A230 (across from Langley Lobby!)

- Mondays 10-11 with Julia & Sofie
- Tuesdays 9-10 with Nora & Parker
- Thursdays 1-2 with Lisa & Michaela
- Fridays 2-3 with Isabella & Owen



7. Pitt Bio Blog

This week, get to know 2 more of our peer advisors (Michaela and Julia) here: <http://bit.ly/2MJMbC3>

8. Bio Summer Experiences Panel – Sep 19, 5-6pm, Crawford 169 (TOMORROW)

Summer can be a great time to explore careers, build some new skills, and meet some new friends. Check out Ana Driscoll's (Bioinformatics Junior) [research experience](#) at the University of Kansas and then come by our Summer Experiences Panel on Wednesday at 5 to hear about some of the summer experiences of other Bio majors!

RSVP: <http://bit.ly/2CLKggV>

9. Biology Study Skills Workshop – Sep 27, 4-5pm, Langley A219B

It is exam season. Whether you are nervous about an upcoming exam or looking for ways to improve on your next exam, we've got the tips for you. Come get advice from biology students who have taken the courses: most efficient ways to study, best ways to recover after a disappointing first exam, and more!

RSVP: <http://bit.ly/2pf7guZ>

10. Vida Volunteer Health Professions Abroad Trip

Got plans for Spring Break yet? It is not too early to start thinking! Why not volunteer abroad with Vida Volunteer?

Vida Volunteer is designed to help impoverished communities in Central America, while giving volunteers around the world an interactive, cultural, and engaging experience that will help them become better physicians, dentists, veterinarians, and nurses.

Want more details on cost and other logistics or experiences from a fellow student? **Contact Danica Pratta at DLP60@pitt.edu.**

More info: <https://www.vidavolunteer.org/>

11. Genetic Counseling Club Meeting – Sep 18, 7:30-8:30pm, Clapp 315

The next Pitt Genetic Counseling Club meeting will be tonight.

Club contact info:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/geneticcounselingclub/>
pittgeneticcounselingclub@gmail.com

12. Fall 2018 Career + Internship Fair – Sep 20, 21, 25, 11am-3pm, WPU

Sep 20, 2018 – Computing & Information Day

Sep 21, 2018 – Engineering Day

Sep 25, 2018 – Liberal Arts, Sciences, & Business Day

- Explore internship and full- and part-time employment opportunities.
- Meet with representatives from local, regional, and national nonprofits, corporations, and government agencies.
- Earn OCC credit.
- Wear professional attire (no jeans permitted).
- Bring plenty of resumes.
- Don't forget to download the Career Fair Plus app from the App Store or Google Play, then search for the University of Pittsburgh!

More info: <http://bit.ly/2Mn8JIZ>



13. Pitt Coalition of Pre-Health Students Committee App – deadline Sep 21

The Coalition of Pre-Health Students, a governing body on campus whose goal is to unite all of the Pre-Health clubs and organizations at Pitt and foster a collaborative and cooperative relationship between them. Given the large volume of Bio.Sci. students that are on one of the the Pre-Health tracks.

They are currently accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year for the following committees:

- Finance
- Logistics
- Marketing
- Advocacy
- Summit

This is an excellent opportunity for students to develop their leadership skills while also helping to connect the Pre-Health community at Pitt. The application has currently been extended until Friday, September 21st at 11:59pm.

The link for applying is below: <https://form.jotform.com/82325166984162>

More info: www.cphs.pitt.edu



14. Medical Humanities Lecture – Sep 24, 5-6:30pm, Cathedral 602

Lecture Title – Getting to the Soul of the Matter: Engaging patients in discussion of their religious/spiritual beliefs during medical encounters

Speakers:

Tara Cook, MD
Clinical Assistant Professor
Section of Palliative Care and Medical Ethics
Division of General Internal Medicine

Krissy Moehling, PhD, MPH
Senior Research Project Coordinator, PittVax

More info: <http://bit.ly/2NR90IF>



15. Uniformed Services Visit – Sep 25, 5-6:30pm, Langley A219B

Uniformed Services will be making a site visit to Pitt!

More info: <https://www.usuhs.edu/>



16. Counseling Skills Workshops – Oct 26, Nov 17

The [Clinical Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling program](#) will be hosting two clinical [counseling skills workshops](#) for undergraduate students this fall. These interactive workshops will be led by Pitt faculty and Licensed Professional Counselors.

Both workshops will be held in Forbes Tower. They are free of charge and will include lunch. Please register through the [online form](#).

The workshops topics are:

- Clinical Interviewing
Oct 26, 1-4pm, Forbes Tower 4th floor

- Building Client Rapport
Nov 17, 10am-1pm, Forbes Tower 4th floor

Download the [event pdf](#).



17. Pitt OUR Field Studies – deadline Oct 29

Undergraduates interested in the Dietrich School field studies programs should attend a workshop to hear from past participants, learn about the program, and plan their proposal writing process.

Fall 2018 Field Studies Workshops are held on Tuesday, September 25 and Wednesday, September 26 from 5-7 p.m. in the Amy Knapp Room of Hillman Library.

More info & apply: <http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/research/fieldstudies>



18. Pitt OUR Archival Scholars Research Awards – deadline Oct 29

Archival Scholars Research Award (ASRA) recipients receive a \$1,000 stipend to develop independent research projects that draw on the University Library System (ULS) archives. Awardees receive archival training from librarian archivists, participate in workshops to supplement their work, and enrich their experiences as students of the arts and sciences.

Undergraduates interested in ASRA should attend an upcoming open house to see archival material and discuss possible projects with faculty, OUR staff, librarians, and archivists.

Fall 2018 ASRA Open Houses are held on Wednesday, October 3 from 4-6 p.m. and Thursday, October 4 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on the ground floor of Hillman Library.

More info & apply: <http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/research/awards>



19. Clinical Research Intern Opportunity

Are you interested in clinical research?

Observing patient procedures?

Interacting with patients and staff at Magee Women's Hospital?

- The Division of Gynecologic Oncology at Magee Women's Hospital of UPMC has a unique research study seeking an intern to help with daily responsibilities.
- Gain hands-on clinical experience in a clinical research study
- Observe daily patient interactions and patient procedures within various areas of the hospital, including the OR.
- The position will require the availability of two to three days a week for three to five hours each day at Magee Women's Hospital.

Qualifications: We are looking for college or high school students that need an externship/internship or clinical experience for graduation or entry into an undergraduate/graduate program. Students would ideally be interested in biology, biochemistry, chemistry, genetics, nursing, pre-med, health professions or a related field. A GPA of at least 3.0 is strongly preferred. Well-rounded students with critical thinking skills are encouraged to apply

If interested please contact Angela: and70@pitt.edu or call 412-641-4137.



20. Science 2018 Attendance Registration Open

Science 2018, the University of Pittsburgh's annual celebration of science and technology, is coming to Alumni Hall and the Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center, Wednesday through Friday, October 17–19. For three full days, Pittsburgh's leading researchers and young investigators will present their latest findings and discuss current "hot topics" in science. Keynote lectures will be given by prominent guest scientists. Science 2018 will feature the latest in scientific discovery and research, as well as a number of exciting events—symposium sessions, exhibits, poster sessions, a career development workshop, an innovation showcase, and more—all built around an inspiring [theme](#).

Admission to all Science 2018 events is free and open to the public, but registration is required. On-site registration will be available.

More info: <http://science2018.pitt.edu/>



21. Science 2018 Undergrad Poster Registration – deadline Sep 28

Science 2018, the University of Pittsburgh's annual celebration of science and technology, is coming to Alumni Hall and the Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center, Wednesday through Friday, October 17–19.

The Undergraduate Research Poster Reception will take place at 5:15pm, October 18 in Alumni Hall.

The deadline for submitting abstracts is Midnight on Friday, September 28.

More info & submit abstract: <http://science2018.pitt.edu/posters.htm>



22. Ben Gurion University's Med School Open House – Oct 9, 6:30-8pm, New York

Please join members of the New York based Admissions team, as well as an MSIH alumnus, as they provide information about the Medical School for International Health. MSIH is a four year, North American-style medical school that incorporates global health coursework into all four years of the medical school curriculum. MSIH is an English-language track in the Faculty of Health Sciences at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and is affiliated with Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons. The first three years of instruction take place in Israel, while fourth-year clinical electives take place at Columbia University Medical Center, as well as other affiliated hospital locations in North America including Mt. Sinai and Hofstra. Fourth-year students complete an eight-week clerkship with an underserved community at approved sites throughout the world.

More info & register: <http://bit.ly/2NOCO93>



23. Michigan PhD Biomedical Sciences Application – deadline Dec 1

The University of Michigan Program in Biomedical Sciences (PIBS) invites you to explore your passion for science through our interdisciplinary gateway program, which coordinates admissions and first-year graduate studies for 14 doctoral programs with 500+ faculty laboratories. PIBS offers you the flexibility and convenience of applying to any of our programs through one application.

More info & apply: <https://medicine.umich.edu/medschool/education/phd-programs/phd-admissions>



24. Uniformed Services PhD Neuroscience Application – deadline Dec 1

The Graduate Program in Neuroscience is an interdisciplinary Ph.D. and M.D/Ph.D. program. There is no associated military commitment for civilians. During the first year, students take courses and participate in rotations in three laboratories. Additional advanced courses are taken in the second year along with a qualifying exam prior to advancing to candidacy. In addition to coursework, formal and informal training is designed to develop a wide range of skills required for diverse career opportunities.

USU provides an attractive package of financial support to students, which will be administered as a part-time Federal salary for your position as a Research Associate. The financial support of this package will be approximately \$45,900 per year.

More info & apply: <https://www.usuhs.edu/nes>

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Until next week,

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