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Bio Advising Newsletter – 10/2/2018

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1. **Advising Meetings, spring enrollment prep**

The first day of enrollment is October 29! **The October rush is here and our sheets are filling way too quickly!**

Stop by A258 Langley and sign up to meet with any advisor to get your hold lifted for Spring!

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.

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2. 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

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3. Withdrawing from a Course – deadline Oct 26

After the add/drop period has ended, you may withdraw from a course by completing a Monitored Withdrawal Request form in the Office of Student Records in 140 Thackeray Hall. Students must process the Monitored Withdrawal Request form by the deadline. A W grade will be assigned for the course. A W grade does not impact a student's GPA.

Withdrawing from a course does not adjust a student's tuition or fee obligations. However, withdrawing from a course may jeopardize satisfactory academic progress, financial aid, and athletic eligibility.

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4. Final Exam Conflict – deadline Oct 26

Have you checked your final exam schedule yet? If not, maybe you should!

If you have three or more final exams in one day, you may request an alternate final exam time. Please see the Final Exam Conflict Accommodation Procedure (http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/assets/pdf/final_procedure.pdf).

If you are not able to work out an alternate time with your instructor, fill out the Final Exam Conflict Accommodation Form (http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/assets/pdf/Final_Exam_Conflict_Accommodation_Form.pdf), and return it to G-2 Thackeray Hall by the monitored withdrawal date Friday, October 26, 2018.

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5. Peer Advisors Regular Office Hours

Enrollment is soon approaching. Get advice on your plan, classes, gen eds, and more from our Peer Advisors! They can't wait to talk to you!

Peer Advisors will be holding regular walk-in hours 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

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6. Pitt Bio Blog: Summer Experiences

This week we have 2 posts about great summer opportunities to build your resume, meet some great people, and learn some amazing skills. Read about Mark D'Alesio's internship at Regeneron and Sofie Patzak's time as a counselor at The Woodlands.

Read here: <http://bit.ly/2BS5zg6>

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7. Kaplan Free Testing Events

Kaplan is offering FREE test prep live and on-demand through their website.

Testing content include: MCAT, LSAT, GRE, GMAT, DAT, PCAT, and OAT.

More info & register: <http://bit.ly/2ON23ph>

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8. Genetic Counseling Club Meeting – Oct 2, 7:30-8:30pm, Clapp 315 (TONIGHT)

First year students from Pitt's Genetic Counseling program in the Graduate School of Public Health will be talking about their experiences with applying, the match process, etc. They will briefly go over their experiences, but the remainder of the time will be mostly Q&A so bring lots of questions!

Club contact info:

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

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9. Dept of Epidemiology Seminar – Oct 4, 12-1pm, Public Health Auditorium G23

Kristin Selker, MPH is a Statistical Administrator from the Allegheny Health Department (AHD) who will be speaking on ongoing projects and opportunities with AHD.

Event flyer: <http://bit.ly/2RIU5pC>

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10. Pub Health Lecture: Opioid Overdose Epidemic – Oct 7, 1:30-2:30pm, Public Health Lecture Hall A115

DEAN BURKE'S ANNUAL SCHOOL-WIDE ADDRESS ON THE OPIOID OVERDOSE EPIDEMIC

Get an update from Dean Donald S. Burke about the state of the nation's opioid overdose epidemic, including highlights of his team's research recently published in Science ([Changing dynamics of the drug overdose epidemic in the United States from 1979 through 2016](#), Science 21 Sep 2018). Then find out more about Pitt Public Health's efforts to confront the crisis and how you can get involved.

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

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11. Spring Study Abroad Applications – deadline Oct 7

If you've been thinking about studying abroad this spring, it's not too late to get started!

With an application that is primarily online and advisors to help you find the right program, you can make an overseas experience next semester happen. The best place to get started is to find someone to talk to. You could browse the website and try to find a program on your own, but study abroad advisors are available to ask you the right questions to help you find the right program.

Applications for spring programs are due Oct. 7. And if spring doesn't work out, there are programs for spring break, summer and fall as well.

Visit the [Pitt Global Study Abroad](#) site for more details.

To talk to a Study Abroad advisor: <https://www.abroad.pitt.edu/advising>

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12. PhiDE Stand For The Kids Event – Oct 17, 11am-4pm, WPU Lawn/Patio

Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity will be hosting a Stand For The Kids event in handing our lollipops and bandaids to raise awareness and support for Children's Miracle Network! Stop by for more information and meet the organization members!

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13. 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](#).

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14. 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>

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15. 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>

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16. Job (\$\$\$) Opportunity: Undergrad Lab Assistant

Position: Undergraduate Laboratory Assistant
Start date: ASAP
Anticipated hours: 9-15 hours/week

Job Summary: Lab assistants will be expected to apply knowledge learned in their coursework including solution/media prep, sterile technique, and maintenance of general laboratory equipment including microscopes. Assistants will be expected to provide materials and equipment to classrooms in accordance with course curriculum. Tasks vary on a day-to-day basis.

Requirements: Successful completion of Foundations of Biology Laboratory 1 (BIOSC 0050 or equivalent) and General Chemistry I and II (CHEM 0110 and 0120)
Biology-related majors strongly encouraged to apply

More info & apply: <http://www.pittsource.com/postings/167590>

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17. 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/>

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18. 2018 Women in Medicine and Science Forum Registration Open

The 2018 Women in Medicine and Science Forum celebrates and highlights the presence and accomplishments of women in medicine and science at the University; provides a venue for women to share strengths, talents and experience; and fosters an academic culture which supports the professional and personal development of women students, postdoctoral and clinical fellows and faculty members in medicine and science.

Tuesday, Nov. 27 and 28, 2018

8 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Location: University Club

More info & register: <http://bit.ly/2xNQA1u>

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19. AMSA Student Research Fair (Submit your Poster!)

If you are interested in presenting a poster at the Pitt AMSA Student Research Fair on Thursday November 1 from 4-6 PM in the O'Hara Student Center please fill out the form(link below).

This is a low stress opportunity to present your research in an academic setting to your peers. There will also be students who are interested in finding research positions who attend the fair and may ask you about how you became involved in research.

Sign up here: <https://goo.gl/forms/GvXnr1403VrMyc6k2>

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20. 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/>

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21. Project Horseshoe Farm Community Gap Year Fellowship

Project Horseshoe Farm offers a 13-month gap-year fellowship program for recent college graduates and undergraduate internship opportunities of varying duration. Alumni have expressed how transformative their Fellowship experience was and have gone on to top medical schools, graduate programs, and nonprofit organizations across the US. The organization is a growing part of the community, with ever-expanding Enhanced Independent Living Housing Programs, Adult Day Programs, and K-12 Youth Programs run by the Fellows year round.

More info: <http://bit.ly/2lew9zr>

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22. St. George's Univ Pay it Forward Initiative

Deciding where to pursue a medical education can be difficult. One of the things to consider is whether to wait yet another year to see if you are accepted into an US allopathic medical school, or start with St. George's University, which has helped many US students become successful doctors. To help take some of the stress out of the beginning of your medical career—and to make the most of your time—SGU will refund the tuition and administrative fees if you start in the January MD program at SGU and you subsequently are accepted and matriculate into an US allopathic medical school the following fall.

More info: <http://bit.ly/2Dt2gwL>

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23. Virginia Tech Med Visit – Oct 4, 12-1pm, Langley A219B

Get information about Virginia Tech's program.

More info: <https://medicine.vtc.vt.edu/>

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24. Oakland Univ Med Visit – Oct 23, 1-2pm, Langley A219B

Get information about the Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine.

More info: <https://oakland.edu/medicine/>

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25. Southern College of Optometry Visit – Oct 25, 12-1pm, Langley A219B

Get information about the Southern College of Optometry.

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

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26. Chancellor's Undergrad Research Fellowships – deadline Oct 22

The Chancellor's Undergraduate Research Fellowship is intended to support student involvement in independent research under the direction of a faculty mentor. Up to ten \$800 fellowships, administered by the University Honors College (UHC), are offered to encourage the enrichment of the students' experience in defining objectives and selecting methodologies appropriate to original research in their chosen field of study. The fellowships are available for one term, either fall or spring.

Spring 2019 Term deadline: Monday, October 22

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

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27. Chancellor's Undergrad Teaching Fellowships – deadline Oct 22

Ten \$800 undergraduate teaching fellowships, awarded for joint student-faculty teaching projects and administered by the University Honors College (UHC), are available for each term.

These fellowships are offered to encourage the enrichment of course offerings and to improve teaching through the collaboration of faculty members with students in the planning and implementation of creative teaching projects. The fellowships are available for one term, either fall or spring.

Spring 2019 Term deadline: Monday, October 22

More info: <http://bit.ly/2Or8r90>

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28. THINK Research Fellowship – deadline Nov 5

The Fellowship supports University of Pittsburgh undergraduates who conduct an independent research project, participate in an interdisciplinary weekly seminar in which Fellows present and discuss their projects, and attend a series of faculty talks, workshops, and panel discussions. The fellowship awards a stipend of \$1000; in addition, it requires students to register for 1 credit of research.

Spring 2019 Term deadline: Monday, November 5

More info: <http://bit.ly/2y4guhG>

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Until next week,

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