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Bio Advising Newsletter – 10/24/2017

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1. Advising Meetings

Enrollment begins on MONDAY, October 30! If you have not already done so, you NEED to sign up for an advising appointment.

Use the appointment sheets in A258 Langley to meet with any of the 4 advisors.

Advising meetings will take about 30 minutes. **We can lift your academic advisement hold even if you have a financial hold.**

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2. Are you currently studying abroad?

Need your hold lifted but can't come in because you're abroad? E-mail an advisor with the following to get your spring academic advisement hold lifted:

- Name
- PeopleSoft Number
- Academic plan for the spring and remainder of terms

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3. Final Exam Conflict Accommodation – deadline Oct 27 (FRIDAY)

The final exam period for daytime undergraduate students for the Fall 2181 Term begins on Monday, December 11, 2017 and ends on Saturday, December 16, 2017.

If you have three or more final exams in one day, you may request an alternate final exam time.

If you are not able to work out an alternate time with your instructor, fill out the Final Exam Conflict Accommodation Form, and return it to G-2 Thackeray Hall by the monitored withdrawal date Friday, October 27, 2017.

Final Exam Schedules & Information:

http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/assets/pdf/2181_EXAMS.pdf

Final Exam Conflict Accommodation Procedure: http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/assets/pdf/final_procedure.pdf

Final Exam Conflict Accommodation Form:

http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/assets/pdf/Final_Exam_Conflict_Accommodation_Form.pdf

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4. Monitored Withdrawal – deadline Oct 27 (FRIDAY)

After the add/drop period has ended, students may withdraw from a course by completing a Monitored Withdrawal Request form in **140 Thackeray**.

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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5. Monitored Withdrawal Questions Walk-In Hours

Thinking about withdrawing from a class? Stop in during these designated walk-in hours if you want to speak

with an advisor.

Thursday, October 26: 10-11am with JESSICA
Thursday, October 26: 4-5pm with CHRISTINE
Friday, October 27: 12:30-1:30pm with ELLEN
Friday, October 27: 2-3pm with KEVIN

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6. Walk-In Resume/CV Feedback with Ellen

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

Where: A257 Langley
When: Every Thursday from 10:30-11:30am

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7. Bio Advising is on Social Media!

In addition to newsletter items, want to stay up to date with bio advising news/shares and other happenings around campus? Follow us on social media!

@PittBioAdv
FB: <https://www.facebook.com/pittbioadv/>
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/PittBioAdv>
Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/pittbioadv/>

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8. New Undergrad Bioinformatics Society

In collaboration with the graduate Department of Biomedical Informatics, a Bioinformatics Society for undergraduate students is currently being formed.

The goals of the Bioinformatics Society include:

- Building a network/community for students inside the major.
- Providing specific advising for exploring your options for graduate school or post-graduate career of interest.
- Establishing a pipeline for the major with suggested classes and extracurricular activities to maximize your skills as a junior bioinformatician.
- Increasing exposure to exciting work from professionals practicing in the broad spectrum of bioinformatics.
- Providing the structure for researchers in the area to find our talented undergraduate students with whom to do research.
- Spreading awareness (especially to first-year students) of the bioinformatics major.

The first step in the development of this organization will be the a Facebook interest group that should be up and running before the end of the semester.

If any of this interests you, if you have any ideas to add, or you know anyone else that might be interested, feel free to send Teddy Younker (younker139@gmail.com) an email and you will be added to the list of potential founding members.

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9. PhD Comics Comes to Pitt – Oct 26, 8-9pm, University Club Ballroom B

PhD Comics Comes to Pitt: We Have No Idea with Jorge Cham (PhD Comics) and Daniel Whiteson (University of California, Irvine)

Abstract: Enjoy an entertaining presentation that combines science, humor, and live drawing inspired by the new book "We Have No Idea". PhD Comics creator Jorge Cham and Particle Physicist Daniel Whiteson team up to explain everything we don't know about the universe. From cosmic rays and dark matter to time travel

and the big bang theory.

Location and Address
University Club, Ballroom B

More info: <https://goo.gl/sVWC61>

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10. Pitt NYC Field Studies – deadline Nov 6

Travel to New York City over spring break as part of a funded field studies program. In this program, you will think of your own semester-long research project as a city, one you will broaden and deepen as you explore hidden avenues and see afresh your ideas from new vistas. An eligible applicant:

- Is a Dietrich School undergraduate interested in joining a community of scholars
- Has a faculty sponsor within the project discipline
- Intends to enroll in directed research for the spring term.

Application Deadline: Monday, November 6, 2017
Online Application: <https://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/nycfs>

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11. Pitt May London Field Studies – deadline Nov 6

Where do we belong? Where do you feel most at home? In the lab? In the woods? On the road or at your kitchen table? What defines home for us? Our places or work or our places of rest; the presence or the absence of other people, landscapes, or things? Explore these questions and your own research project in the global city of London: a city in flux, in a region and world in tumult.

This May 2018, join us in London to pursue your research goals in the context of these pressing global issues. This rigorous, two-week field studies program allows you to consider the cross-disciplinary themes of borders and belong found in unique locations, texts, or other resources, unavailable in the United States. This interdisciplinary field studies program is designed to complement a semester of directed research through a Dietrich School department in spring 2018. An eligible applicant:

- Is a Dietrich School undergraduate interested in joining a community of scholars
- Has a faculty sponsor within the project discipline
- Intends to enroll in directed research for the spring term.

Application Deadline: Monday, November 6, 2017
Online Application: <https://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/lonfs>

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12. AMSA Research Fair – Nov 10, 4-6pm, O'Hara Student Center

The 1st Annual AMSA Research Fair will be held on Friday, November 10 from 4-6pm in the O'Hara Student Center. One room of the O'Hara Student Center will contain poster presentations, and the other room will host scheduled presentations.

More info: <http://pittamsa.weebly.com/undergraduate-research-fair.html>

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13. Abington Pre Med Summer Program – deadline Dec 15

Abington Jefferson Health offers a Pre-Med Program, which spans eight weeks from June to July, allows students considering a career in medicine to gain first-hand experience in the health care field.

Students are also offered lectures and panels hosted by hospital staff, bonus "pop-up" lectures, and invitations to several hospital conferences and rounds. Altogether, students will work with physicians, physician assistants, residents, and various other advanced practice professionals and staff members of our hospital.

More info & apply: http://www.abingtonhealth.org/JoinOurTeam/volunteer/pre-med-program/#.Wb_e3NOGOi5

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14. Graduate Studies Abroad – Oct 25, 3-4pm, 4209 Posvar

Career Toolkit Series: Applying for Graduate Studies Abroad (for Students)

Have you considered graduate school abroad? Does it cost more or less than studying in the USA? How does the overseas credential transfer back to PhD programs, or make sense to US employers? Hear directly from Pitt alumni who have received a graduate credential from overseas. Discuss ways to tailor your applications with admissions councilors and members of admissions committees. Learn the pros and cons and the tips and tricks to successfully apply for graduate programs abroad.

Sponsored by:

African Studies Program, Asian Studies Center, Center for Latin American Studies, Center for Russian and East European Studies, European Studies Center and Global Studies Center

Cost: Free

Contact: Joel Garceau

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<https://www.ucis.pitt.edu/global/>

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15. Pitt Graduate Schools Fair – Oct 26, 4-6pm, WPU

University of Pittsburgh Graduate and Professional Schools will be in attendance including the Schools of:

- [Business](#)
- [Computing & Information](#)
- [Education](#)
- [Engineering](#)
- [Health and Rehabilitation Sciences](#)
- [Medicine - Graduate Studies](#)
- [Nursing](#)
- [Pharmacy](#)
 - Graduate Program in Pharmaceutical Studies
 - Doctor of Pharmacy
- [Public Health](#)
- [Public and International Affairs](#)
- Social Work

More info: <http://www.shrs.pitt.edu/admissions/pitt-graduate-school-week>

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16. Pitt School of Health & Rehab Science Open House – Oct 28

Open House is a self-guided exploration of the undergraduate and graduate programs in SHRS. This format allows prospective students to decide how much time is spent with each program, gathering information to aid in the decision-making process.

More info & register: <http://www.shrs.pitt.edu/admissions/open-house>

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17. Chatham Graduate Open House – Oct 28, 9am-12pm, Chatham University

Graduate Open House (Shadyside)

Chatham University - 1 Woodland Rd - Pittsburgh, PA 15232 -- Kresge Atrium, Buhl Hall

Learn more about our graduate programs in the areas of nursing, business, accounting, creative & design arts, and education and see the facilities where your education will grow.

Event Contact Information

Office of Admission

412-365-1825

gradadmission@chatham.edu

Related Links

- [REGISTER HERE!](#)

More info: <https://www.chatham.edu/newsevents/events/details.cfm?eventID=18392>

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18. Harvard: PhD in Bio in Public Health – deadline Dec 1

PhD Program in Biological Sciences in Public Health (BPH) at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. BPH trains students in individual fields of biological research with a focus on understanding, preventing and treating diseases affecting large populations.

All students admitted into this highly competitive training program are provided full tuition, health insurance and stipend support. Our graduates have pursued successful careers in academia, industry, government, consulting, community health and more, and presently hold distinguished positions in each of these arenas. The application deadline for the 2018-19 Academic Year is December 1, 2017.

More info: <http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/biological-sciences/>

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19. IHME Post-Bachelor Fellowship – deadline Jan 10

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation Post-Bachelor Fellowship (PBF) is a structured health research program where individuals can apply their knowledge and passion to help advance the field of health metrics and accelerate global health progress. This fellowship provides a unique opportunity for recent college graduates with strong quantitative skills to train with faculty and senior researchers on a variety of public health projects.

More info: <http://www.healthdata.org/post-bachelor-fellowship>

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20. Summer Study Abroad Scholarship Info Sessions

Looking to study abroad and want to learn about scholarships that may be available? Attend one of the info sessions below:

- Fri, Oct 27 @ 2:30-3:30pm in Cathedral 304
- Fri, Nov 3 @ 2:30-3:30pm in Cathedral 304
- Mon, Nov 6 @ 11am-12pm in Cathedral 501

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21. Browne Leadership Fellows Program – deadline Oct 27

The Browne Leadership Fellows Program is an interdisciplinary fellowship aimed at preparing students to be engaged civic leaders working for economic and social justice.

The fellows program in social work reflects our mission: to advocate for social policies and resources to meet basic human needs; to create accessible, responsible, and accountable human service programs; and to deliver quality services to those in need of support.

The program begins in the spring term. Fellows will attend monthly 1-credit seminar (in January, February, March, and April) at which they will be mentored by local public leaders, learn theories of social work and community organizing, and begin to learn the skills needed for social change. The summer term will focus on community service and action projects.

The culmination of the fellowship is a formal poster presentation both in the community and to the University.

Students will receive a generous stipend in the amount of \$3,000 for the summer term (12 weeks) along with one credit for the spring term.

More info & application: <http://www.socialwork.pitt.edu/academics/bachelor-arts-social-work-basw/browne-leadership-fellows-program>

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22. DAAD Undergrad Program Info Session – Oct 30, 5pm, 35th Floor Cathedral

DAAD provides opportunities for undergraduates to go to Germany to study, perform summer research, learn the German language, and more. U.S. citizenship is NOT required. Deadlines run between December 1, 2017 and late-January 2018, depending on program.

More info: <https://goo.gl/vGu5sV>

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23. Pitt Archival Scholars Award – deadline Nov 6

The Dietrich School and the University Library System seek undergraduate scholars and researchers from the humanities for the Archival Scholars Research Award. Recipients receive a stipend of \$1,000 and archival training from professional librarians. An eligible applicant:

- Is interested in humanities, primary source material, archives, or library special collections
- Is a Dietrich School undergraduate
- Has a faculty mentor within the project discipline.

Application Deadline: Monday, November 6, 2017

Online Application: <https://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/asra>

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24. SMART Scholarship – deadline Dec 11

[Science, Mathematics And Research for Transformation \(SMART\) Scholarship for Service Program](#) provides full tuition and a \$25,000 - \$38,000 stipend (depending on degree pursuing) for academically excellent undergraduate or graduate students pursuing degrees in STEM disciplines of particular interest to the Department of Defense. Fellows are placed in civilian laboratories upon graduation.

More info & application: <https://smart.asee.org/>

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25. Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship – deadline Dec 4

The [Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship](#) provides up to \$7,500 a year to high-achieving sophomores and juniors preparing for a research career in science, mathematics or engineering.

Pitt can only nominate four candidates for this award. U.S. citizenship or permanent residency required. To qualify for the Goldwater, candidates must:

- be a college sophomore or junior,
 - have a competitive GPA,
 - have significant scientific research experience and
 - be committed to pursuing a PhD in his or her field and a career in scientific research.

To be considered for nomination, students must submit a pre-application as soon as possible. Complete applications are due by the campus deadline of Dec. 4, 2017.

Please thoroughly read the Pitt campus [Goldwater Application Guidelines](#) and visit the [Barry Goldwater Scholarship Foundation website](#) for more information.

Please email any questions to Ian Riggins at ipr5@pitt.edu or Judy Zang at jaz36@pitt.edu.

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26. Science Ambassador Scholarship – deadline Dec 11

A full-tuition scholarship for a woman in science, technology, engineering, or math.
Funded by [Cards Against Humanity](#).

More info & application: <http://www.scienceambassadorscholarship.org/>

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Biology Club

Fall Meeting Dates: 11/14, 11/28
Meeting Time & Location: 8pm in 302 Cathedral
www.facebook.com/groups/upittbiologyclub
upittbiologyclub@gmail.com

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Birding and Ornithology Club

www.facebook.com/groups/302359673107538/pittbirdingclub@gmail.com

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Dental Science Club

Fall Meeting Dates: 11/6, 12/4
Meeting Time & Location: 8pm in 528 WPU
www.facebook.com/groups/pittdentalscienceclub
IG: @pittdentalscience club
pittdentclub@gmail.com

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Ecology Club

Fall Meeting Dates: Alternate Mondays
Meeting Time & Location: 9pm in 204 Cathedral
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/659750684140193/ecologyclubpitt@gmail.com>

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Genetic Counseling Club

Fall Meeting Dates: 10/31, 11/14, 11/28
Meeting Time & Location: 8pm in 310 WPU
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/geneticcounselingclub/pittgeneticcounselingclub@gmail.com>

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Global Brigades

Fall Meeting Dates: 11/5, 11/19, 12/2
Meeting Time & Location: 7pm in G8 Cathedral
<https://www.facebook.com/PittGB>
<http://pittglobalbrigades.weebly.com/>
pittglobalbrigades.org

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HOSA

Fall Meeting Dates: Alternate Mondays (Check Facebook)
<https://www.facebook.com/pitthosa/pitthosa@gmail.com>

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Plant2Plate

<http://www.pitt.edu/~sorc/plant2plate/index.html>
<https://www.facebook.com/PittPlant2Plate/>
plant2plate@gmail.com

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POMS

Fall Meeting Dates: Every Friday
Meeting Time & Location: 5:30pm in 324 Cathedral
<http://www.poms.us>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/pomspitt/>
pomspitt@gmail.com

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Pre-PA Club

Fall Meeting Dates: 10/25, 11/8, 11/29 (in 837 WPU), 12/6
Meeting Time & Location: 9pm in G8 Cathedral
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/523230964458833/>
pittppaa@gmail.com

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Pre-Vet Club

Fall Meeting Dates: 11/2, 11/16, 11/30
Meeting Time & Location: 9pm in Langley Lobby
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/441907539257843/>
pittprevet@gmail.com

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Tri-Beta, Biological Honors Society

Fall Meeting Dates: 10/26, 11/9, 11/30
Meeting Time & Location: 7pm in 527 WPU
<http://pitttribeta.weebly.com/>
tribeta.universityofpittsburgh@gmail.com

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Until next week,

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