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GOOD LUCK ON FINALS!

Bio Advising Newsletter – 4/24/2018

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*** **DETAILS** *** **DETAILS** ***

1. Advising Meetings

The Advising Office will be open all summer, staffed by Christine and Kevin. (Ellen and Jessica will return at the beginning of the Fall term).

Christine and/or Kevin will be available for walk-ins and appointments in A258 Langley, Monday-Friday from 9:30am-4pm.

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2. Snack Break – This Week!

Hey Bio majors! Join us in the Advising Office (A258 Langley) for some FREE snacks this week!

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3. Fall UTA Opportunity for Non-Majors Bio Course

Have you taken BIOSC 0150 and Human Physiology (BIOSC/NROSCI 1250)? Looking for some mentoring or teaching experience?

Dr. Wandelt is looking for UTAs for BIOSC 0805: The Human Body, a non-majors biology course, for the fall term. Must be available TTh 2:30-3:45.

Please contact Jessica Wandelt (jewandelt@pitt.edu) if you are interested.

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4. Fall UTA Opportunity for Bio 2 Labs

The BIOSC 0067 – Neural Defects labs are looking for UTAs for the fall term.

Students should have taken Neural Defects and/or worked with *Drosophila melanogaster* in their research lab.

Interested students should email Dr. Nancy Kaufmann (nkaufman@pitt.edu) their CV and transcript.

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5. Marine Biology Field Course* in South Africa

**Please note that this will not count as an elective for majors in our department.*

Seats in the 2-week and 4-week Cape RADD marine field courses are quickly filling for the months of June, July and August. Though the course operates year round, these are the more popular months and space is limited!

The course is structured around several SCUBA-based research projects that we run or collaborate with, using the projects as tools to teach practical and theoretical skills while allowing students to actively participate in the research. Some projects are general long term monitoring projects, while others aim to answer specific questions, such as the impact of grazer density on kelp abundance, or the patterns of interaction between individuals in fish shoals. We cater to students of various levels of experience and interest, so the course begins with scuba courses and refreshers to get everyone comfortable again in the water.

Students are then introduced to the science component with some citizen science initiatives. Concepts are progressively built upon by introducing projects over the course of the next weeks that utilize more standardized research methods. Lectures and workshops are also provided that introduce concepts like biodiversity, and how these are measured and compared, with some hands on training in software like R, QGIS and Coral Point Count.

Contact info@caperadd.com with questions.

More info: <http://www.caperadd.com>

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6. PittHonors Travel Award – deadline Apr 29

PittHonors will award up to \$500 for students presenting at conferences. Students must be honors eligible (3.5 GPA), provide a copy of their invitation to present, and attach a faculty letter of support. Travel funds are awarded on a first-come basis until the annual budget is exhausted. Students may receive the PittHonors travel award only once.

More info & apply: <https://upitt.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1765958>

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7. Pitt Honors College Fall Research Fellowships – deadline May 4 (EXTENDED)

THINK Research Fellowship: <https://goo.gl/usnGFd>

- This fellowship supports students who conduct an independent research project and intellectually engage with a variety of subjects across the humanities, arts, social sciences, and natural sciences.

ACT Research Fellowship: <https://goo.gl/v3kAWd>

- This fellowship supports students engaging in Academic Community-based Transdisciplinary (ACT) research fellowships investigate pertinent community issues through quantitative or qualitative measures.

Chancellor's Undergraduate Research Fellowship: <https://goo.gl/MWisFh>

- This fellowship supports student involvement in independent research under the direction of a faculty mentor.

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Good luck on finals and have a safe and enjoyable summer!

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