

Biology Advising Newsletter 1/08/2015

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1. Advising

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The advisors are primarily taking walk-ins to serve students with time-sensitive questions, scheduling issues, and permissions. Drop by if we can help you with something!

Appointments start Jan 20 for long-term planning, and even to get your advising hold lifted for summer and/or fall classes! Sign-up Sheets are out in the Advising Office now.

2. Add/drop deadline - Jan 16

3. UTA, Research & Intern Forms for credits - due Jan 16

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Are you doing research or TAing for credit this semester? The enrollment forms need to be turned into an advisor by January 16. But you can turn them in anytime before the deadline as well!

You can pick up a blank form from an Advisor in A258 Langley Hall or download from our website:
www.biology.pitt.edu/undergraduate/forms

4. S/NC deadline - Jan 30

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S/NC Grade option: 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 (for no credit) is given. Courses for which S grades are earned are counted toward graduation but are not computed in the GPA. Courses for which NC grades are earned are not counted toward graduation because the NC designates that no credit was earned.

You may take one (1) BIOSC class as S/NC and an unlimited number of co-req or gen-ed classes as S/NC.

If you decide by the end of Add/Drop (January 16) then you designate the class yourself in PeopleSoft.
Instructions: https://my.pitt.edu/portal/server.pt/document/166479/edit_a_class_with_peoplesoft_student_center_9

After January 16th, you fill out a paper Grade Option form in 140 Thackeray Hall. The final deadline is January 30th.

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5. GRADUATING IN APRIL?

A) Did you apply for graduation? If not, go to 140 Thackeray Hall RIGHT NOW.
The deadline was November 7th.

2) Are you on the waitlist for a required course for graduation? Come talk to us so we can make a plan for how you can complete the degree.

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Student Panel on Summer Research

Friday January 9th | 3:30pm | Crawford 169
RSVP: <http://tinyurl.com/summer-research-panel>

RSVP is not required, but helps us plan for refreshments.

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Letter of Recommendation Workshop

Thursday January 15th | 4:00pm | Langley 219B
RSVP: <http://tinyurl.com/LetterRec>

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Resume/CV Workshop

Friday January 23rd | 3:30pm | Langley 219B
RSVP: <http://tinyurl.com/resumecv-workshop>
Please bring a copy of your resume/CV to work on.

RSVP is not required, but helps us plan for refreshments.

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BIOSC Undergraduate Research Poster Session

Friday January 30th | 4:00pm

**to present at the poster session, abstracts are due by 9am on January 26.
Email rescert@pitt.edu for format guidelines & submission.*

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Goal Setting - Jan 14, 6pm, ARC

Presenter: Mary Napoli, MEd, Academic Resource Center

Goal Setting - Jan 16, 2pm, ARC

Presenter: Mike Chirdon-Jones, MEd, Academic Specialist, Academic Resource Center

Goal Setting - Jan 20, 2pm, ARC

Presenter: Mike Chirdon-Jones, MEd, Academic Specialist, Academic Resource Center

How to Succeed in Science Courses - Jan 21, 6pm

Presenter: Alexandru Maries, PhD, Physics & Astronomy

Goal Setting - Jan 26, 6pm, ARC

Presenter: Carrie Schubert Academic Resource Center

Study Skills Bootcamp - Jan 29, 6pm, ARC

Presenters: Mike Chirdon-Jones, Vanessa Webb, and Mary Napoli, Academic Resource Center

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Until next week,

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