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****INTERVIEWING TIP OF THE WEEK****

This is no time to be modest.

You're there to talk about your strengths and skills so do it with confidence. Know what you want to convey to the interviewer about yourself before going into the interview.

(Tips by Carol Stanton, CGS Career Counselor)

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1. Advising & Pre-Registration Meetings

Sign-up sheets are available in the Advising Office for pre-registration meetings (Enrollment starts Oct 29).

These meetings include removing your "Advising Hold" for Spring Term 2012 self-enrollment; we will talk about your spring schedule, and can discuss your academic and career plans. Don't delay, even if you have other holds... the Advising Hold can be removed independent of them.

No-shows or cancellations with less than 24-hour notice must reschedule AFTER November 7th!

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2. Graduating in April 2013?

GO TO 140 Thackeray to pick up, and return, your Application for Graduation.

DO IT by Nov 9

it's easy (3 pages) and its FREE.

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3. Overcoming Test Anxiety Workshop - Nov 8, 6pm, G1 Gardner Steel Conference Center

The ARC and the Counseling Center will be presenting a workshop on techniques to help overcome test anxiety. Food will be served.

RSVP: 412-648-7920

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4. Study Skills Coaching

Individualized coaching sessions are available at the ARC Monday through Friday in the following topics:

- Active Study Habits
- Test Preparation
- Reading Strategies
- Time Management
- Planning for Midterms and Final Exams

Call the ARC at 412-648-7920 to schedule an appointment.

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5. Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine Open House - Nov 7, 4-8pm, Philadelphia

Come join the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine Open House community to learn more about the DO program. You will have the opportunity to: tour the campus, observe osteopathic manipulative medicine, and speak with faculty, students, and admissions.

More info and register: www.pcom.edu/Admissions/adm_Upcoming_Events/adm_upcoming_events.html

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6. Career Presentation: Pennsylvania College of Optometry - Oct 31, 7pm, 219B Langley

Interested in learning about optometry? Ryan Hollister, Assistant Director of Admissions at Salus University, will provide information on the field of Optometry as well as PCO's optometry program's requirements and application process, and describe what makes an applicant competitive.

Hosted by the Pre-Optometry Club and the Biological Sciences Advisors.

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7. Pitt Physician Assistant Open House WITH TRANSPORTATION - Nov 15, 2pm, UPARC Campus-Harmar

This is your chance to tour the facility, meet faculty & staff, and learn more about the Physician Assistant Studies Program. Free transportation will leave the Forbes Tower Lobby (Atwood Street side) at 1:30pm. You must register in advance.

RSVP by Nov 5th: email Diane dlf212@pitt.edu

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8. Pre-Med Fellowship in India

The Mabelle Arole Fellowship, awarded annually since 2002 through John Snow, Inc (JSI) Research and Training, invites applicants interested in community health and admitted to medical school for fall 2013 to apply. If awarded the Fellowship, s/he defers entrance to medical school for one year. Applications are due in mid-January 2013 and finalists are interviewed in mid-March in Washington, DC (at the candidate's expense). The Fellow would depart the US in late July 2013 and returns in late spring of 2014. The Fellow, who receives \$8,000 to cover all expenses, spends 10 months at the Comprehensive Rural Health Project at Jamkhed (in Maharashtra).

More Information: www.amsa.org
Questions: Dr. David Pyle at dpyle@jsi.com

Application due: January

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9. Guyana Lesley Abroad Service Semester

Eager to work in the field abroad? Check out GLASS - the Guyana Lesley Abroad Service Semester, a partnership between Lesley University and an indigenous village NGO in English-speaking Guyana, South America.

GLASS is an 8 week, 12 credit semester that teaches a method of participating in another culture: situating indigenous villagers as the teachers, and Northerners as their students, in a reciprocal, collaborative knowledge exchange in service of village initiatives. Students contribute their technological and academic skills while immersed in Indigenous Knowledge experiences in one of the last pristine tropical ecosystems on earth. Recent collaborations produced the first GPS/GIS community map for use in land rights negotiations and the first local catalog of medicinal plants.

More details:
www.lesley.edu/lc/natural_science/glass.html
rupunillearners.org
www.facebook.com/pages/Guyana-Lesley-Abroad-Service-Semester/137520972982947?ref=ts&fref=ts

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10. Intro BIOSC Labs Undergraduate TAs needed

-BIOSC 0067 is the research-based version of 0060. Experiments focus on genetics, molecular biology, evolution, and ecology. The course meets Thursday mornings.

-BIOSC 0191 is an integrated course that focuses on building problem solving and data analysis skills. Lectures cover genetics, development, ecology, and evolution. The lab meets Wednesday mornings.

Contact: Dr. Nancy Kaufman nkaufman@pitt.edu

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11. C. F. Reynolds Medical History Society Lectures - Nov 6, 6pm, Scaife Lecture Room #5

"The Perfect Storm: The History of the Vaccine-Autism Controversy."
Jeffrey Baker, M.D., Ph.D., Professor of Pediatrics Duke University School of Medicine

Questions: Dr. Jonathon Erlen, erlen@pitt.edu

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12. Birding Club Trip to Allegheny Front Hawk Watch - Nov 4, 7:30am

Birding club will be taking a trip to the Allegheny Front Hawk Watch on Sunday, November 4th. It's located on a mountaintop where you can watch migrating raptors pass by at close to eye level. This is the #1 hawk watch in golden eagles in the area, so hopefully we'll see one. There are also sharp-shinned hawks, coopers hawks, red-railed hawks, and falcons. Binoculars will be provided. Meet at 7:30 AM in front of Clapp Hall; return sometime in the afternoon.

Please RSVP to save a seat in a vehicle. Trip may be cancelled in case of rain, so check your email.

RSVP: pittbirdingclub@gmail.com

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13. Pre-Dental Drill & Fill Clinic - Nov 5, 7:45pm, Salk Hall

The Pre-Dental Club is sponsoring a Drill and Fill clinic on November 5th in the Dental School 4th floor Simulation Clinics.

Questions: pittdentclub@gmail.com

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14. Ecology Club - Nov 13, 7:30, Langley A224

All meetings are on Tuesdays at 7:30pm in Langley A224
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15. Biology Club - Nov 13, 8:30pm, Langley A214

All meetings are on Tuesdays at 8:30pm in Langley A214
11/13, 11/27

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16. Tribeta National Biological Honor Society - Nov 6, 8pm, Langley 224

All meetings are on Tuesdays at 8pm in Langley 224.
10/23, 11/6, 11/20, 12/4

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17. Pitt Dental Club - Nov 13, 9pm, Cathedral

All meetings are on Tuesdays at 9pm in the Cathedral
11/13, 11/27

Contact pittdentclub@gmail.com and join the Facebook page for up-to-date information.

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Until next week,

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