

## Biology Advising Newsletter 11/18/2013

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#### SUMMER RESEARCH

3. Summer Research in Plant Genomics - Application due Feb 12
4. Cancer Research at the National Cancer Institute - deadline Nov 21

#### CAREER PREP

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6. Pitt Internship Prep Programs

#### CHECK IT OUT

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8. Lecture "How to Train a Surgeon" - Nov 18
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10. Paid Student Laboratory Position - Available Immediately

#### CLUB MEETINGS

Ecology Club - Nov 18, 6:30pm  
Biology Club - Nov 26, 8:00pm  
Tri-Beta - Nov 18, 8:00pm  
Optometry Club - every Sunday  
Pitt Outdoors Club - every Tuesday, 9pm  
Pre-Vet Club - Nov 25, 8pm  
Birding & Ornithology Club  
POMS - every Friday, 5:30pm

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### 1. Appointments: General Advising; Spring Enrollment Holds

Sign-up sheets are available in the Advising Office for general advising, or if you still need to register for Spring. It's quiet now that most folks have enrolled, and we have the time to discuss your special interests or concerns – courses, careers, graduate programs, etc.

**Remember that we also take walk-ins for quick questions. Drop by if we can help you with something!**

### 2. Waitlisted? Make alternate plans.

If you are on a waitlist, there's NO GUARANTEE you will get into the course.

Make and execute alternate plans with the idea that you may never get in. If you do get in, wonderful! If you do not get in, with an alternate plan in place you are still in good shape and not scrambling at the last minute to finalize your schedule.

The waitlist only ensures that if someone DOES drop, there is a fair and equitable way for waiting students to be

added in.

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### 3. Summer Research in Plant Genomics - Application due Feb 12

Plant Genomics @MSU (Michigan State University) is an NSF-funded REU program focused on providing research intensive internships to undergraduate students within the broad area of molecular plant sciences. This 10 week summer research program is accepting students entering their Junior or Senior year and provides a stipend as well as meals and housing.

Deadline Feb 12  
[www.plantgenomics.msu.edu](http://www.plantgenomics.msu.edu)

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### 4. Introduction to Cancer Research Careers (ICRC) program at the National Cancer Institute - deadline Nov 21

ICRC encourages individuals from populations underrepresented in science and/or financially disadvantaged backgrounds to seek summer internship opportunities at the NCI.

Successful ICRC applicants take part in a 2-day campus visit to the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, where they will learn about various scientist-in-training programs, participate in laboratory tours, and potentially interview for either a summer or post-baccalaureate (1-year) internship. Any participants selected for an internship will receive a monthly stipend, round-trip travel, and a summer housing subsidy.

Deadline Nov 21  
<http://icrc.nci.nih.gov>

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### 5. Graduate & Law School Fair - Nov 19, 11am - 3pm, WPU

Students interested in exploring graduate school options won't want to miss this opportunity to meet representatives from graduate and law schools from across the country, as well as many of Pitt's graduate schools, on November 19. Learn about degree programs, application timelines, and enter to win graduate school entrance test preparation materials. Students can view the list of participating schools at [www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/cdpa/graduate-law-school-fair](http://www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/cdpa/graduate-law-school-fair). Additional information can also found by clicking on CDPA's Pinterest button on the Web site.

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### 6. PITT INTERNSHIP PREP PROGRAMS: November & December

Resumes & Cover Letters	Thu, November 21	4:30 p.m.	837 WPU
FutureLinks & Searching	Fri, November 22	Noon	540 WPU
Networking and Social Media	Tue, November 26	Noon	316 WPU
Networking & Social Media	Thu, December 5	4:30 p.m.	540 WPU
Interviews and Research	Fri, December 6	Noon	540 WPU

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### 7. Online Veterinary Course (University of Florida)

**The Dog** is an online course (3 credits) specifically designed for undergraduate students interested in learning more about dogs, especially those planning careers in Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Technical Programs. Students will be introduced to a number of topics, including evolution, domestication, anatomy, biology, role in society, physiology, behavior, and health of the dog. Students enrolled at any College or University can take this course.  
**Note: Although quite useful, this course doesn't satisfy Pitt BIOSC major requirements.**

Registration is now open for Spring term (2014).

For more information about the class or enrollment, contact Dr. Patrick Larkin, Ph.D. ([plmlarkin@ufl.edu](mailto:plmlarkin@ufl.edu)), the

director of the class.

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**8. Lecture "How to Train a Surgeon" - Nov 18, 4pm, Lecture Room 6, Scaife Hall.**

Peter F. Ferson, MD, professor of cardiothoracic surgery, School of Medicine, will deliver a Provost's Inaugural Lecture, "How to Train a Surgeon". Dr. Ferson is among the inaugural members of the School of Medicine's Academy of Master Educators.

Light refreshments to follow.

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**9. Lecture "Rehabilomics Research: Examining Approaches to Personalized Medicine" - Nov 19, 4pm, Lecture Room 6, Scaife Hall.**

Amy K. Wagner, MD, associate professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation, School of Medicine, will deliver a Provost's Inaugural Lecture, "Rehabilomics Research: Examining Approaches to Personalized Medicine in TBI". Dr. Wagner is a leading investigator in the use of biomarkers and biologics in developing and optimizing individualized treatment outcomes. Her research focuses on the neurobiology of neuroplasticity and recovery after traumatic brain injury.

Light refreshments to follow.

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**10. Student Laboratory Position - Available Immediately**

Center for Biologic Imaging, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine

10+ hours per week available; \$7.50 / hr starting.

Pitt Biology or Chemistry major preferred.

Duties Include: Clerical work, autoclaving, washing labware, maintaining microscope rooms, preparing biological solutions, filling reagent bottles, light computer work and other various lab tasks.

Very flexible schedule to work around classes.

Visit web-site at [www.cbi.pitt.edu](http://www.cbi.pitt.edu)

More info: Jason 412-648-9796 or [jdevlin@pitt.edu](mailto:jdevlin@pitt.edu)

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**ECOLOGY CLUB - Alternate Mondays 6:30pm, Langley A221**

11/18, 12/2

[pittecologyclub@gmail.com](mailto:pittecologyclub@gmail.com)

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**BIOLOGY CLUB - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A224**

11/26, 12/10

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**TRI-BETA - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A224**

11/19, 12/3

[www.facebook.com/groups/tribetapitt](http://www.facebook.com/groups/tribetapitt)

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**OPTOMETRY CLUB - Sundays, WPU**

[pittoptclub@gmail.com](mailto:pittoptclub@gmail.com)

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**PITT OUTDOORS CLUB - Tuesdays, 9:00pm, WPU porch**

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**PRE-VET CLUB - Alternate Mondays, 8:00pm, Langley A219B**

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[pittprevet@gmail.com](mailto:pittprevet@gmail.com)

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**BIRDING & ORNITHOLOGY CLUB**

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[www.facebook.com/groups/302359673107538/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/302359673107538/)

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**POMS - Fridays, 5:30pm, WPU 837**

Premedical Organization for Minority Students  
[www.poms.us](http://www.poms.us)

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***Until next week,***

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