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INTERVIEWING TIP OF THE WEEK

Make a smooth closure and follow through.

End the interview with a smile, assurances that you are interested in the job, and then follow through with a written thank you note within 24 hours. Letting the employer see your enthusiasm and going the "extra mile" will leave a good impression and give you a competitive edge.

(Tips by Carol Stanton, CGS Career Counselor)

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1. Biological Sciences Majors' Finals Snack Break - Dec 10-14

Snacks in the Advising Office (Langley A258) all week - come feed your brain!

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2. Advising Meetings & Walk-ins

Things have slowed down and we have more open time, so if you'd like to talk about your schedule or career plans, feel free to make an appointment!
Sign-up sheets are available in the Advising Office

We are still here for pre-registration meetings to remove your "Advising Hold" for Spring Term 2013 self-enrollment. Don't delay, even if you have other holds... the Advising Hold can be removed independent of them.

We are also taking walk-ins for students with time-sensitive questions, scheduling issues, and permissions. Drop by if we can help you with something!

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3. Seniors - Locked out of a Class for Graduation?

If you are a graduating senior having trouble scheduling your required coursework - add yourself to whatever waitlists are relevant, but also PLEASE contact a BIOSC Advisor!
We're here to help you figure out the options to complete your degree.

For 'how to waitlist a class' using PeopleSoft, see the Registrar's FAQ, and contact the Help Desk if you have more questions.
http://www.registrar.pitt.edu/enrollment_waitlisting.html

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4. Used Textbook Drive for Charity - through Dec 15

The Pitt National Society of Collegiate Scholars is asking for your support of a campus-wide book drive will raise money for Invisible Children, an organization that works against child soldiering in the DRC.

Drop your used textbooks in any of the green-and-orange collection bins in Towers and Sutherland lobbies through December 15.

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5. Pitt Pulse December Issue

The Pitt Pulse, Pitt's undergraduate prehealth publication, has its second issue out! Of note is an article on the Medicare system, which should be particularly helpful for those seniors currently interviewing for medical school.

Pick up a Pitt Pulse in these locations:
-Langley (Neuro and Bio advising offices)
-Cathedral (with Andrea Abt or in the Honors College common area)
-WPU (outside Nordy's, in hanging folders)

www.thepittpulse.com

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6. December 2012 issue of the UHC National Scholarships Newsletter now available.

<http://scholarships.honorscollege.pitt.edu/>

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7. Job: Program Coordinator Fellowship at Oral Health America

The Program Coordinator Fellowship is a one-year paid fellowship experience in downtown Chicago for college graduates pursuing dentistry or a Masters in Dental Hygiene degree.

Info: <http://oralhealthamerica.org/fellowship-opportunities>

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8. Summer Fellowship at Oral Health America

The Bernard and Kathleen Beazley Summer Internship Program is a twelve-week paid experience in downtown Chicago for rising college seniors pursuing dental school or a Masters in Dental Hygiene degree.

Info: <http://oralhealthamerica.org/aboutus/internship-opportunities>

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9. Dartmouth Masters of Public Health & Masters of Science Programs

Interested in obtaining a graduate degree before entering the public health and health care arena?The one year Master of Public Health (MPH) and Master of Science (MS) programs at Dartmouth are designed for a multidisciplinary group of students. Each program is 1 year in length running from late July/early August to early June of each year. The MS program has two concentrations; Healthcare Leadership and Clinical & Health Services Research.

5-minute YouTube video featuring faculty & students at The Dartmouth Institute: www.youtube.com/watch?v=rsrk-lwYsPk

Info: <http://tdi.dartmouth.edu/initiatives/educate>

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10. How To Find Summer Research

-A. Check out the research page on the Biological Sciences website. <http://biology.pitt.edu/undergraduate/research/outside-pitt>
There are currently 90+ research and internship opportunities offered by universities, organizations, and state and federal agencies listed!

-B. Visit the bulletin board in the Advising Office (Langley A258).

-C. Watch for announcements in the BISOC newsletters, including the ones below!

-D. Google it! Use the keywords "Summer REU", "SURP", "Undergraduate SURF", "biology summer undergraduate research programs".

BE AWARE OF DEADLINES!! Many summer programs have application deadlines in December and early January. You need to start working on these now.

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11. Thomas Jefferson Summer Undergraduate Research - deadline Feb 1

The 10-week summer undergraduate research program at Thomas Jefferson University is open to students between their junior and senior year. Research experience will be within the areas of: Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Cancer Biology, Cell & Developmental Biology, Genetics, Genomics & Cancer Biology, Immunology & Microbial Pathogenesis, Molecular Pharmacology & Structural Biology, Neuroscience, Systems Biology, Tissue Engineering & Regenerative Medicine.

Participants receive \$3,500 stipend plus on-campus housing.

http://www.jefferson.edu/biomedical_sciences/admissions/apply-to/summer-undergraduate-research.html

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12. Penn State Summer Undergraduate Research - deadline Feb 11

Penn State College of Medicine is offering 10-week research internships for undergraduate students. This program is most appropriate for students considering applying to PhD programs in the Biological/Biomedical Sciences and is not intended for students who will apply to medical school. There is no clinical shadowing component to the internships.

Participants receive \$3,000.

<http://www.pennstatehershey.org/web/summerresearch/home/program>

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Until next week,

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