

## Biology Advising Newsletter 3/17/2015

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### 1. Pre-enrollment Advising Meetings

We are now taking meetings for long-term planning and to have your hold lifted for Summer and Fall classes.

- Summer enrollment already began
- Fall enrollment begins March 24 (next Monday!)

**We can remove your advising hold even if you have a \$\$ financial hold - please come see us!**

**BRING YOUR BLUE ADVISING FOLDER TO YOUR MEETING.**

### 2. Graduating in August 2015?

Apply for Graduation in 140 Thackeray by March 20th.

**3. You won't be a student forever! Come discover how to put your degree to use after graduation - Mar 20, 2:30pm, Langley A221**

Learn how to locate research and other positions and how to become a more competitive applicant. Pitt's Human Resource Department will present information on navigating Pitt's employment website and provide tips on getting a job at Pitt. Join us to discover the many benefits of working for University of Pittsburgh. Please contact the Bio. Sci. Advisors with any questions.

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**4. Campbell University School of Osteopathic Medicine Visit - March 18, 4pm, Langley A219B**

Sponsored by The Honors College Health Professions Advisors.

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**5. "Grad School 411" - March 19, noon, Dining Room O'Hara Student Center**

A special information session for all Pitt undergraduates. During this one-hour informal discussion, undergraduates can share lunch with our graduate students and ask questions about the graduate school experience.

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**6. National Scholarships Advising Newsletter (post-bac programs)**

March edition includes many post-bac scholarships/programs

[https://honorscollege.secure.pitt.edu/sites/default/files/UHC%20National%20Scholarship%20Advising%20Mar%202015%20Newsletter\\_0.pdf](https://honorscollege.secure.pitt.edu/sites/default/files/UHC%20National%20Scholarship%20Advising%20Mar%202015%20Newsletter_0.pdf)

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**7. Pitt's Graduate School of Public Health Presentation - Mar 31, Langley A219B**

Are You Interested In Pursuing a Career in Public Health? Pitt's Graduate School of Public Health staff, post docs, and graduate students will discuss information about the admissions process and conducting graduate research in the Environmental & Occupational Health, Infectious Disease & Microbiology, Epidemiology, and Genetic Counseling programs. Please attend to ask questions about all the GSPH programs and to find out what the pre-requisites, curriculum requirements, and expectations are for students in the public health dept. and profession. Please contact the Biological Sciences Advisors with questions.

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**8. How Etiquette Applies at School - Mar 18, 6pm, ARC**

More info & register:

<http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/arc/study-skills-workshops-and-consultations>

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**9. Learning Styles and Test Preparation - Mar 20, 2pm, 540 WPU**

More info & register:

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**10. Overcoming Procrastination - Mar 25, 6pm, ARC**

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**11. Pitt Fall Undergraduate Research Awards - due April 3**

The Fall Undergraduate Research Awards (FURA) provide a \$1,000 stipend to conduct independent research over the course of the fall semester. Award recipients participate in three interdisciplinary workshops throughout the semester to learn more about peer research.

Info & application: <http://www.asundergrad.pitt.edu/our/awards-funding>

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**12. The Undergraduate Research Fair - abstracts due March 25**

The Undergraduate Research Fair, established in 1991 following a donation to the University Honors College from Teachers for an Independent Faculty, is run as a poster session. This is a kind of open house where participants display posters describing their research. Presenters use any format and any additional materials necessary to convey their ideas. No formal talk to a large group is involved. Instead, the audience walks from poster to poster,

reading the posters and discussing points of curiosity with the presenters.

Wednesday, April 8  
11:30am-2:00pm

Application: <http://www.honorscollege.pitt.edu/undergraduate-research-fair>

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**13. Fall 2015 Community-Based Research Fellowships - due April 3**

Students from any major and any year wishing to research an issue with a community organization, under the guidance of a faculty mentor, are encouraged to apply. Fellows participate in biweekly meetings and receive \$800.

More info: <http://www.honorscollege.pitt.edu/community-based-research-fellowships>

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**14. Part-time Job: Greenhouse assistant - begins in April**

The Greenhouse Assistant plays a key role in the daily operation of the University of Pittsburgh's research greenhouses and growth chambers. The Greenhouse Assistant will:  
-Help maintain greenhouse facility including the maintenance and cleaning of specialized greenhouse equipment  
-Assist in the cultivation and care of research education plants  
-Be trained to work around pesticides and fungicides in a safe manner  
-Work one-on-one with researchers and the Plant Growth Facilities Manager to ensure a healthy and successful environment for the research plants

Job Requirements

- Excellent record keeping and observational skills
- Able to work weekend/summer hours as needed
- Able to work in possibly hot humid conditions where potential allergens are present
- Should be in good academic standing

<https://www.pittsource.com/postings/92034>

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**15. MALE Camp Counselors Needed for 2015 Muscular Dystrophy Kids Summer Camp**

Earn 165 volunteer hours and build-up your resume.

The overnight camp is scheduled for August 8th-14th, 2015 at Camp Kon-O-Kwee in Fombell, PA (near Evans City) and volunteer orientation is scheduled for Saturday August 8th.

Children ages 6-17 years-old that have one of 43 different neuromuscular diseases/conditions that are covered by the MDA. The camp serves an average of 60 kids per summer camp session.

Counselor job description:

- Each counselor becomes a companion to a camper with a form of muscular dystrophy and works with them one-on-one and in groups with daily activities such as eating, bathing, and dressing.
- Counselors also assist campers with recreational activities such as arts and crafts, swimming, canoeing, and horseback riding. Volunteer counselors say the experience is a special, life-changing experience.

<http://www.mda.org/clinics/camp>

On-Line Applications for Volunteers:<http://www.ultracamp.com/info/sessiondetail.aspx?idCamp=519&campCode=md2&idSession=83246>

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**BIOLOGY CLUB - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221**  
3/24, 4/7

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

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**ECOLOGY CLUB - Select Wednesdays, 8:45pm, 540 WPU**  
3/18, 3/25, 4/8, 4/15

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

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**PRE-VET CLUB - Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley Lobby**

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**Pitt iGEM 2015 Team**

Questions: [igem.pitt@gmail.com](mailto:igem.pitt@gmail.com)

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**POMS - Fridays, 5:30pm, WPU 837**  
Premedical Organization for Minority Students  
[www.poms.us](http://www.poms.us)  
[pomspitt@gmail.com](mailto:pomspitt@gmail.com)  
<https://list.pitt.edu/mailman/listinfo/poms>

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**TRI-BETA - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221**  
3/17, 3/31, 4/14

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