

Biology Advising Newsletter 3/31/2015

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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.

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 December 2015?

Go apply for graduation in 140 Thackeray Hall by July 6th.

3. Public Health Research Poster Sessions - March 31, Apr 1, and Apr 2

Pitt Public Health is facilitating a research poster competition called Dean's Day. Undergraduates are welcome to visit the poster session and speak with GSPH graduate students as they describe their research to the judges. It can be a good opportunity for those interested in Public Health careers and research to learn first-hand about research being conducted by these graduate students.

Lori Smith from Pitt Public Health Admissions is willing to meet you at the poster session and introduce you to some students, faculty, and administrators if you let us know in advance that you plan on attending. Please contact Jaime Warren (jlw146@pitt.edu) so we can let Lori know to expect you.

[Pitt's Public Health Dean's Day Research Poster Sessions](#)

Session 1 - March 31, 9-11am, 118 Parran
Session 2 - March 31, 2-4pm
Session 3 - April 1, 9-11am, 118 Parran
Session 4 - April 2, 9-11am, 118 Parran

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4. FREE Webinar on 1-Year Master's in Biostatistics - March 31, 8pm

Use Biostatistics to Improve the Health of Others.

Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine is pleased to announce a new 1-year MS program in Biostatistics. The program features 3 tracks: Biostatistics, Genomics and Bioinformatics, Health Care Analytics. Internships are at leading hospitals (e.g. the Cleveland Clinic and University Hospitals of Cleveland), in industry (e.g. insurers, Pharma) and at nationally renowned research centers (e.g. Prevention Research Center for Healthy Neighborhoods, Institute for Computational Biology).

More info: <http://epbiwww.case.edu/ms-biostatistics>

FREE WEBINAR about program on Tuesday March 31 at 8pm.

To register for webinar: https://cwru.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_eOL9Sy1ECjvJPwx

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5. Life after Peace Corps: Career Panel - April 1, noon-1:30pm, Posvar 3911

Come and learn more about what occupations former Returned Peace Corps Volunteers have gone into after their service. A panel of professionals from a variety of fields will share their Peace Corps service and how it has affected their career path and goals. Lunch provided!

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6. Animal Health Summer Internship (Pittsburgh Zoo) - due April 10

The Animal Health Department is currently accepting summer internship applications from undergraduate students interested in pursuing a career in wildlife or zoo medicine. The Animal Health Department serves the medical and surgical needs of the mammals, reptiles, birds, amphibians, and fish that make their home at the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium and the International Conservation Center.

The animal health undergraduate internship is a minimum of 10 weeks long between May and September, consisting of 40 hour work weeks Monday through Friday 8am to 5pm. Students should have a strong interest in zoo and wildlife veterinary medicine. Interns may be required to work in inclement weather, lift heavy loads, and must be dependable. The duties of the intern will vary widely and may include: assisting with setting up and cleaning up of veterinary procedures, restocking hospital supplies, cleaning and sterilization of surgical instruments, animal observations, cleaning and disinfecting animal enclosures, assisting with lab sample processing including blood, urine and feces, and other duties as assigned.

Interested students should send a cover letter, resume, college transcripts, and two letters of recommendation along with a potential start date with the length of time available to Kristine Trotta-Hissrich, LVT, via Colleen Yeany (Administrative Assistant) at vethsp@pittsburghzoo.org.

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7. FREE Optometry Virtual Fair - Apr 21

Planning to apply to Optometry School? Attend the Free Virtual Fair to learn more about Doctor of Optometry Programs. 21 colleges will be there at the unique virtual event where you can conveniently and efficiently meet admissions representatives and interact online.

www.CareerEco.com/events/Optometry

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8. UPMC Recruiting Opportunities - April 7

Mock Interviews with UPMC recruiters - April 7, 9am-5pm
Sign up by April 3rd in Future Links.

Resume Review with UPMC recruiters - April 7, 9am-5pm
Sign up by April 7th in Future Links.

Hosted by Office of Career Development & Placement Assistance.

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9. Pre-health students, please do 7 minute survey

This survey is designed to measure student perception of the relative importance of subjects within biology and statistics to academic preparation for pre-health professional school. It should be taken by students who self-identify as pre-health including pre-med, pre-dental, pre-pharmacy, and pre-physical therapy, pre-veterinary sciences, and pre-health undecided. This survey will be used for undergraduate research with Dr. Donovan.

This survey will take between 5 and 7 minutes to complete. Participation is voluntary and no identifiable data will be collected or recorded.

A link to an article published by the AAMC with info useful to pre-health students will be available at the end of the survey.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12vh_mnYR_QmFbU9w9LNyz_BZJ92ICFM3luPzLpbc3xY/viewform

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10. Summer Intern Positions with PennEnvironment

Three new positions in the Pittsburgh area:

- Fracking
- Global Warming
- Digital Campaign Organizing

Details posted on the bulletin board in the Advising Office (A258 Langley Hall).

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11. Lecture: "Fracking is a Feminist Issue" - Apr 6, 7–8:30pm, WPU Assembly Room

Sandra Steingraber will explore the role of women in the construction of knowledge about the risks of extreme fossil fuel extraction, gender disparities in the distribution of economic costs and benefits, the disproportionate burden of harm that women experience when their communities become targeted for oil and gas extraction, and the rise of women leaders in the antifracking movement.

Lecture - April 6, 7–8:30pm, WPU Assembly Room

Book Discussion - April 6, 4–5pm

Join us for a book discussion with Sandra Steingraber on "Raising Elijah: Protecting Children in an Age of Environmental Crisis" led by Olga Kuchinskaya, assistant professor, University of Pittsburgh Department of Communication. Space is limited. Please contact Karen Billingsley at ksb@pitt.edu to register.

More information: gsws.pitt.edu.

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12. The Homelessness Simulation - April 2, 4-6pm, WPU Ballroom

Join us for an examination of the life experiences of someone struggling in American society. Drop by to gain knowledge about homelessness or feel free to participate in the simulations. Homelessness is a prevalent issue across the country and primarily here in Pittsburgh. Come learn, support, and help!

We will be accepting canned food and school supplies for HCEF.

Sponsored by Panthers Educating and Advocating for Children in Homeless Situations.

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BIOLOGY CLUB - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221
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ECOLOGY CLUB - Select Wednesdays, 8:45pm, 540 WPU
4/8, 4/15

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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

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POMS - Fridays, 5:30pm, WPU 837
Premedical Organization for Minority Students
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<https://list.pitt.edu/mailman/listinfo/poms>

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TRI-BETA - Alternate Tuesdays, 8:00pm, Langley A221
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