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IBA Newsletter



What is included in this Newsletter?

This newsletter will include upcoming conference deadlines, social events, useful workshops, general information that could be pertinent to your field, program 'reminders,' and other relevant activities.

Hello all!

Only ONE more month of classes until summer begins!

Remember to evenly spread out the amount of work required for final projects throughout the next several weeks. Though procrastination might be easy, the excess work will come back to haunt you closer to finals.

-Meaghan

Save the Date!

Taste of IBA

April 14, 5-7 PM

Students are encouraged to bring a dish from your childhood to share with other students, IBA staff, and your mentors

Junior Research Presentations

April 26, 1:30-2:45

Please support your fellow students while they present their research!

Graduate Student Panel

April 29, 4:10-5:00

Graduate students in various STEM fields (medical student, MD/PhD students, Neuroscience, and Counseling Psychology) will discuss their experiences with diversity within their disciplines and will encourage questions from our students

Senior Graduation

May 10, 4-6PM

Please join us in a graduation celebration for the seniors.

Nursing Research Day Poster Sessions

The College of Nursing will be hosting a Nursing Research Poster Session on Tuesday, April 23. This is a great opportunity to learn of current research taking place within the field. If available, please stop by or share this event with others who may be interested. Sponsored by Sigma Theta Tau-Gamma chapter, we will feature posters by UIHC nurse researchers, CON faculty, postdocs and students. A light lunch will be provided. Anyone who presented a poster after July 1, 2012 is welcome to display the poster at this session. Posters used as DNP or CNI projects as well as those presented at GSA, CANS, ISONG, and MNRS are all welcome!

To reserve a spot for your poster, please fill out this form:

uiowa.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=5V_5uwUofGpKYiznSt

ICRU Research Fellows

The ICRU Fellow program encourages the intellectual development of University of Iowa undergraduates by providing financial support for students directly involved in research. The program provides scholarships for students to work as a research fellow on a specific project for one academic year and/or summer under the mentorship of a University of Iowa faculty or P&S Staff member.

Academic Year Applications DUE: Friday, April 12, 2013



University of Michigan Post-baccalaureate Research Education Program (PREP)

The University of Michigan has an NIH-funded Post-baccalaureate Research Education Program (PREP) designed to help underrepresented students who want to enter doctoral programs prepare to apply to excellent Ph.D. programs in the biomedically-relevant sciences. We are seeking students who have great potential to succeed in graduate school in the sciences, but for some reason are not quite ready to tackle the combined academic and research challenges of a doctoral program as the next step in their education. Often we expect these students will have discovered an interest in experimental science late in their undergraduate careers, or even after they graduated, and so have less extensive research experience. Since most graduate programs in the sciences now consider significant prior research essential to understanding the rigors of graduate school and a career in science, a year of post-baccalaureate research can make a significant difference in the ability of students to matriculate into and succeed in a graduate program.

Michigan PREP Benefits: One-year academic and research program starting July 1 each year, Financial package including tuition, salary (\$21,000) and benefits, Over 150 potential faculty advisors from 6 schools and colleges, Possibility to enhance the program with a UM class as advised, Preparation course for the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), Participation in seminars, journal clubs, and social activities, Workshops to enhance preparation for graduate school and fellowship applications, Invitation to career development events, Opportunities to present research projects and discuss career development with faculty mentors. Applications to the 2013-2014 Michigan PREP will be accepted until April 19, 2013. The PREP admissions/advisory committee will offer admission to the program in May.

Upcoming Seminars, Workshops, and Conferences of Interest

Biology Career Night

April 10th at 6:30 pm, 106 BBE

Meet representatives from:

IBA, UI BIO, SI & more!

Learn about: Biology degrees & tracks, Opportunities for undergrad research & teaching, Biology related careers, including health professions Preparation for your future career

Hear from the following speakers: Megan Watt, UI Career Center Advisor, Dr. Bryant McAllister, Director of Undergraduate Studies, Ted Neal, Clinical Instructor - Science Education Program, Dr. Lori Adams, Biology Undergraduate Research Coordinator, Student Career Panel



Great Plains Emerging Infectious Diseases Conferences

April 19-20, 2013

The University of Iowa College of Public Health

Keynote Address:

Hsu-Li Distinguished Lectureship in Epidemiology

Dr. Peter Daszak, PhD

President of EcoHealth Alliance, noted disease ecologist, and leader in the field of conservation medicine whose research includes important discoveries toward the identification and prediction of emerging infectious diseases.

PURPOSE: This conference serves to bring together public health professionals, researchers, faculty, and students in microbiology, infectious diseases, and related fields working in the Midwestern and Great Plains states.

FORMAT: Oral and poster research presentations selected from submitted abstracts, as well as breakout sessions, which will be conducted in an “unconference” format. Leaders will not lecture on session topics, but instead will facilitate discussion involving the audience. Breakout session topics will be taken from those suggested by the organizers as well as additional topics suggested and led by conference participants.

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More information can also be found online:

<http://www.public-health.uiowa.edu/epi/about/hsu-liaward/>

For other seminars specific to your areas of interests, please see:

Biology:

<http://www.biology.uiowa.edu/seminars.php?tdate=2012-10-09>

Physics:

<http://www.physics.uiowa.edu/calendar.html>

Institute for Clinical and Translational Science:

<http://icts.uiowa.edu/content/events>

Psychology:

<http://www.psychology.uiowa.edu/events>



Get involved in the Community

Career Leadership Academy

The Career Leadership Academy is an exciting opportunity for YOU to develop your leadership and professional skills – those same skills that employers have told us they’re looking for in new employees.

The program is comprised of 4 academic credit-bearing courses called “phases” that focus on developing the leadership skills you already have and discovering the ones you’ll need to be successful after graduation. Each phase of the program is filled with seminars, activities, and events designed to give you an edge as a leader in whatever career field you choose.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.careers.uiowa.edu/leadershipacademy/>

Volunteer Opportunities

The Writing Center at Prairie Point Middle School and 9th Grade Academy is looking for tutors! In the Prairie Point Writing Center, 7th – 9th grade students work on writing assignments while building their ongoing confidence and competency as writers. Tutors help students to understand assignments, focus on their work, and master the idea of writing as a process. If this sounds like a valuable experience for you, visit the Prairie Point web site at <https://sites.google.com/site/pp9writing/home> and complete the Tutor Application. Please complete the application by March 15 if you wish to volunteer during the Spring 2013 semester.

Want to volunteer at the Crisis Center? Two training sessions are coming up for those who would like to volunteer for the Crisis Center Food Bank and/or the Crisis Intervention Program. If you are interested in applying to take either training, [click here to find more information.](#)

Call for Volunteers - Strive for Success needs TUTORS!

Strive for Success (SFS) is a non-profit organization designed and dedicated to helping at-risk youth, grades 3-8, in Iowa City, and surrounding areas succeed in school, life, and society. Our program runs Monday Tuesday Wednesday and Friday from 3:30-5:30 and Thursdays from 2:30-5:30. We are looking for volunteers to help provide academic support in reading and math.



For more volunteer opportunities, see:

<http://www.careers.uiowa.edu/cblp/hotopportunities.html>

If you are looking for a volunteer involvement, be sure to also check out the [Volunteer Center of Johnson County volunteer matching website](#) or arrange a consultation appointment with the CBLP by calling (319) 335-1023 or by emailing civic-engagement@uiowa.edu. We are happy to assist