Hello All!

It was really nice meeting some of the IBA students and mentors at the Thanksgiving Celebration last weekend. I look forward to meeting all of you in the near future.

I’m sure everyone is ready for the upcoming break. Stay on track with assignments and managing study time—we’re in the home stretch for the semester!

Have a great week off and safe travels!

Brinda

Save the date!

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Training Opportunities, Seminars, and Conferences of Interest

UC Berkeley 2014 Amgen Scholars Summer Research Program in Science and Biotechnology
June 2—August 8, 2014
This national program provides participants with the opportunity to conduct research with a faculty member, communicate their science in poster and oral presentations, receive a stipend, housing, meal plan, and transportation to and from the UC Berkeley campus.
http://amgenscholars.berkeley.edu
http://amgenscholars.com

CLIMB UP for Summer Research at UB
May 27—August 2, 2014
An outstanding opportunity for undergraduate student to excel in STEM and health science research and to explore career options at University at Buffalo.
www.buffalo.edu/climb/climb-up

Check out graduate programs in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology at University at Buffalo!
Drug Discovery * Pharmacology * Toxicology and more
Visit http://medicine.buffalo.edu/pharmtox

MURF Undergraduate Research Fellowships at Caltech
The MURF program aims to increase the participation of underrepresented students (such as African American, Hispanic, and Native American; females who are underrepresented in their discipline; or first-generation college students) in science and engineering Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. programs and to make Caltech's programs more visible to students not traditionally exposed to Caltech.

Eligibility: Students must be current sophomores through non-graduating seniors and must be U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents. A minimum GPA of 3.2 is required.

Support: MURF students will receive a $6000 award for the ten-week program. An additional $500 housing and travel supplement will be provided.

Application: Online applications are due January 8, 2014.
For more information, visit www.sfp.caltech.edu/programs/murf.

For other seminars specific to your areas of interests, please see:
Biology:
Genetics:
http://genetics.grad.uiowa.edu/events
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
Thanksgiving Celebration!
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

Agape Café helps the homeless and hungry in Iowa City by providing them with a hot, delicious breakfast every Wednesday morning. See more about the Agape Café’s mission here. Laura Waldo-Semken, the volunteer coordinator for Agape Café has alerted us to an immediate need for committed volunteers. Interested persons should contact Laura at at 319-626-2055 (preferred) or 319-351-2211 (work- good for leaving messages) or email her at: laurase-mken@gmail.com.

College Student Volunteering at UIHC If you are a student and volunteering at UIHC is something you'd like to do, please be aware of the application process for Spring Semester 2013. Potential volunteers must hand-deliver their applications to the Volunteer Services office starting on Monday, December 3, 2012. Please click here to see the process and timelines for submitting your application to volunteer at UIHC. If you have questions, you may contact them at:

Volunteer Services UI Hospitals and Clinics
8025 JCP (Elevator F, Level 8) 200 Hawkins Drive Iowa City, Iowa 52242

Phone: 319-356-2515 Email: ashley-funkhauser@uiowa.edu

Volunteers needed for the Walk to End Alzheimer’s The Alzheimer's Association is currently seeking volunteers to assist with day-of-event duties at the Iowa City Walk to End Alzheimer’s.

For more volunteer opportunities, see:

http://www.careers.uiowa.edu/cblp/hotopportunities.html
Happy Birthday!

Wade Hutson  
11/8

Mariah Bankert  
12/2

Eliud Sierra  
12/15

Maria Nunez  
12/31