The College of Natural Sciences Newsletter is designed to serve CNS students. It is delivered online every Sunday.

Dean Kopp’s weekly email includes a link to access the newsletter, as well.

Items in BLUE are new;
Items in RED are last chance.

If you would like to submit news to CNS Newsletter, send the information to cns-student-news@austin.utexas.edu. Include a contact person phone number and email, date or deadline, write in complete sentences, text must be fewer than 150 words.
Submit by 11:59pm Friday to be included in that week’s newsletter.

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1. **Add/drop Period**
   
   August 27th-September 4th
   
   Student may add and drop classes using their registration page without approval of the department chair and the student’s dean.
   
2. **12th Class Day**
   
   Friday, September 12th
   
   Twelfth class day; this is the date the official enrollment count is taken.
   
   Last day an undergraduate student may add a class except for rare and extenuating circumstances. Payment for added classes (add bill) due by 5:00 pm.
   
   Last day to drop a class for a possible refund. (See General Information, chapter 4, for details.)
   
3. **Hot Science Cool Talks**
   
   Lecture by Dr. David Laude
   
   Professor of Chemistry
   
   Sr. Vice Provost
   
   University of Texas at Austin
   
   Friday, Sept. 12, 2014
   
   5:45-7pm: Interactive Fair
   
   7-8:15pm: Talk
   
   WEL 2.224
   
   What is the talk about?
   
   Chemistry is easy. Dr. Laude is tired of everyone taking three steps back every time he tells them that he is a chemist. He will demonstrate how a few simple, recurring ideas in chemistry can help you understand concepts like climate change, how batteries work, and how food is made. Dr. Laude will also create explosions and cap your evening by making liquid nitrogen ice cream for everyone.

4. **Study Abroad Fair**
   
   Wednesday September 10th, 10am-3pm; Gregory Plaza
   
   Come out to UT’s Study Abroad fair and find a program that works for you!

5. **McCombs Career Fair**
   
   September 10, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; UT RecSports, UT – Austin
   
   The Undergraduate Career Expo (held fall and spring) provides opportunities for employers to recruit full-time and internship candidates at the McCombs School of Business. The Expo is open to current McCombs School of Business students in the BBA, MBA, MPA, MSBA, MSF and MSTC programs from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. It is open to all UT Austin students from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The expo is the largest McCombs School of Business career fair. It’s hosted by the Undergraduate Career Committee and McCombs BBA Career Services.

6. **Bridging Disciplines Info Session**
   
   Sep. 2, 11 a.m.-noon. Open through Dec. 2, 2014
   
   Peter T. Flawn Academic Center (FAC) 4
   
   Are you interested in learning more about the Bridging Disciplines Programs, which allow you to earn an interdisciplinary certificate in one of several different concentration areas? Come to an Information Session.

7. **Register for Fall 2014 University Extension Courses**
   
   Registration is open for all of University Extension’s Fall 2013 classroom and online cohort courses, which begin the week of September 2nd.
   
   UEX courses can be used to: Meet core curriculum requirements. Finish up that last course to graduate. Take a prerequisite for graduate and professional school.

8. **Gilman Study Abroad Scholarship**
   
   Deadline: October 1st
   
   The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies or credit-bearing, career-oriented internships abroad. Such international exchange is intended to better prepare U.S. students to assume significant roles in an increasingly global economy and interdependent world.
   
   For application and more information, see: http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program

9. **International Education Fee Scholarship For Study Abroad Spring 2015**
   
   October 1st: 5pm
   
   All students studying abroad in Spring 2014 are eligible to apply for the IEF scholarship. Awards range between $1000 and $1500, with merit and need being assessed.

   For the application and more information, see:
http://world.utexas.edu/abroad /funding/scholarships/ief

Internships and Employment

1. Pre Graduate School Internship
   There is still time to enroll in the fall 2013 IE Pre Grad Internship. If you are thinking about whether graduate school is in your future, you may wish to consider undertaking the Intellectual Entrepreneurship (IE) "Pre-Graduate School Internship." This internship is open to students in all UT colleges/schools and departments. You may earn one, two or three hours of academic credit (CMS 164M/264M/364M) by participating in the internship. Read more about this program (including FAQ's, examples of internship activities and an easy to complete internship contract) on the web at http://communication.utexas.edu/ie/. For future information, contact Professor Richard Cherwitz, spaj737@uts.cc.utexas.edu.

2. Apply for the Health IT Program
   A professional education program in Health Information Technology has been created in the College of Natural Sciences, which leads directly to well paying jobs as trainers, implementation project managers, marketing and sales specialists and consultants in the rapidly expanding field of Health IT. College students with a baccalaureate degree or better can participate in this intensive 9 week program leading to a certificate in Health Information Technology and Health Information Exchange, for only $5,000.00. This program is designed to “fast track” university graduates into this rapidly evolving field. A total of 275 students (in five cohorts) have now completed the certificate program.

The Fall 2014 Certificate program begins on September 4th and applications are being evaluated on a rolling basis. This opportunity is limited to 55 students in Austin and an additional 10-15 students at UT Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas.

Learn more about our program at http://healthit.cns.utexas.edu, and apply at https://surveystation.austin.utexas.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=712Mm034

Research and Volunteering

1. 2013-2014 Undergraduate Research Fellowships
   Due: September 17th, 2014

The Undergraduate Research Fellowship (URF) program provides support for specific scholarly research projects conducted by full-time UT undergraduate students enrolled in any department. These fellowships are intended to cover costs associated with academic research projects proposed and written by student applicants and undertaken with the supervision of a university tenured or tenure-track faculty member, lecturer, senior lecturer or full-time research scientist/engineer. Some restrictions apply. See http://www.utexas.edu/research/resources/awards-fellowships-grants for more information.

Pre-Professional Announcements

1. Health Professions Info Session
   Over the summer we welcomed new students with our “New Pre-Health Longhorns” web page https://cns.utexas.edu/health-professions/new-pre-health-longhorns, and invited them to come to one of the Health Professions Information Sessions that we will present this fall. This is a great place for students to be introduced to the HPO. At these sessions we will welcome and orient students who are new to pre-health professions, informing them about HPO services and the pre-health professions experience here at UT Austin. We are inviting new freshmen and transfer students and also welcome continuing students who are exploring or just getting started in pre-health professions. I am very happy to tell you that at each of the information sessions we will introduce Anneke Chy, the new Health Professions Certificate Coordinator in the College of Natural Sciences Student Division, who will present an overview of the HP Certificate requirements and answer student questions.
   
   Fri- 09/19/2014; 1 - 2 PM; FAC 21
   Thu- 09/25/2014; 5 - 6 PM; WEL 1.308
   Thu-10/16/2014; 4 - 5 PM; GEA 105
   Wed-10/22/2014; 5 - 6 PM; WEL 1.308

2. JAMP Information Session
   Wednesday, Sept 3, 6pm BUR 136
   If you want to learn more about JAMP, please come to our info session and learn more from our JAMP Ambassadors. http://cns.utexas.edu/health-professions/jamp/applicants

3. Medical School and Dental School Q&A sessions
Thursday, Sept. 4, 2014; 4-5pm; BUR 108

It’s interview season. You’ve passed the first hurdle. Now get prepared. This session will provide tips for thriving in the interview process for health professional schools. Aimed at juniors and seniors in the 2014-2015 Admissions Cycle.
RSVP: https://utexas.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_8dFiqAYIEdUomvX

Organization Announcements

1. Party on the Plaza
   Wednesday, September 4th, 10am-4pm

   Party on the Plaza is a welcome-back-to-campus party for the entire UT community. Activities include a:
   - Student organization fair
   - Student Organization Performances
   - Texas Student Media Tent
   - Mechanical Bull Rides
   - Portable Climbing Wall
   - Pizza Lunch (Sponsored by Mr. Gatti’s - 2 slices & a drink for $3)
   - Free Ice Cream (Sponsored by Amy’s Ice Creams)

2. The Daily Texan Tryouts
   Aug. 31 - Sep. 2, 9 a.m. Open through Sep. 10, 2014
   Location: William Randolph Hearst Building (HSM) Basement
   Description: Come try out for The Daily Texan, UT’s student newspaper. Work as a reporter in news, life & arts, or sports. Or try your hand at photo, video, comics, copy, or design. Innovate in the social media department and digital projects departments. The choice is yours!

3. Student Conduct Board Apps

   Time: Aug. 30 - Sep. 2, 8 a.m.
   Open through Sep. 9, 2014

   We are actively recruiting for student members for the Student Conduct Board for the 2014-2015 academic year. The Student Conduct Board offers the opportunity for students to be actively involved in promoting academic integrity by hearing academically-related judicial cases.

   This prestigious opportunity is open to undergraduate and graduate students and the application deadline is September 9, 2014. Successful candidates will be appointed by President Powers to the Student Conduct Board.