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 cnsnewsletter@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. Aspire Awards Banquet
   Wednesday April 30th; 6-8pm; Alumni Center Ballroom

   The Aspire Awards recognize the great achievements of students in the College of Natural Sciences from underrepresented populations and show by example the tremendous leadership of our students. Each year, the College honors Hispanic and African-American students who have excelled in the sciences at The University of Texas at Austin. In addition, the purpose of the night is to celebrate you not only as individuals but also as a group that can foster support and encouragement within the community. Check out the event on Facebook.

2. CMHC Student Advisory Committee
   Applications due: April 30, 2014

   The CMHC Student Advisory Committee provides a forum for direct input from UT student stakeholders in order to: 1) help CMHC better meet the mental health needs of UT students 2) foster leadership skills in UT students with interests in mental health and 3) encourage student advocacy for campus mental health issues
   http://www.cmhc.utexas.edu/event_sac.html

3. Sanger Learning Center Sessions
   RSVP
   utdirect.utexas.edu/apps/ugs/my/events

   Surviving Finals 101
   Tuesday, April 29 • 5-6 p.m. • JES A309
   Wednesday, April 30 • 5-6 p.m. • JES A309
   Feel like your old study techniques could use a tune up?

Join us for last minute tips and strategies on how to manage your time, study strategically, and stay healthy as you reach the academic finish line!

4. INSPIRE Women’s Leadership Program Applications
   Due May 2nd online

   Women in the class of 2017 of any major are encouraged to apply for the INSPIRE Women’s Leadership Program, a three-year program that helps you develop the skills necessary to achieve the highest levels of success in your chosen field. Apply here:
   URL: http://calendar.utexas.edu/event/inspire_womens_leadership_program_is_accepting_applications?source=newsletter

5. Peer Health Leadership Course

   Earn Academic Credit (HED 352K/360K Peer Health Leadership - Mental Health Promotion) Interested in making a positive impact on the emotional health of fellow students? This might be the course for you! Students in this class will be trained as emotional health peer educators and will deliver workshops for the campus community. Students will become familiar with public health theory, positive psychology, and emotional wellness for college students. Contact Katy Redd, the course instructor, to learn more or sign up: kredd@austin.utexas.edu or 512-475-6930.

6. Business of Healthcare Institute

   There are a few spots available in the 2014 Business of Healthcare summer Institute. The Texas Business Foundations Summer Institute (TBFSI) uses classroom instruction and simulation learning to completely immerse students in the core competencies of business. This intensive eight-week, 15-credit-hour program includes:
   • Business foundations curriculum, available in two tracks: Industry Track and Healthcare Track
   • Stock market and business simulations
   • Professional development
   • Team building and leadership opportunities
   • Small class size
   • Resume and business communications workshops
   • Mock interviews
   • Etiquette luncheon

   Find more information: http://www.mcombs.utexas.edu/business-foundations/summer-institute

7. UTEX registration

   University Extension provides a range of educational opportunities to members of the Austin community and beyond. We offer flexible course options and formats to individuals seeking college credit from The University of Texas at Austin. We develop special programs and courses with our academic partners. Register here for Summer and Fall now:
   http://www.utexas.edu/ce/uex/

Scholarships

1. Every Drop Counts Scholarship
   Applications due May 2, 2014

   Please see the following information regarding the 2014 Ozarka Natural Spring Water $10,000 “Every Drop Counts” Earth Science Scholarship:
   http://www.nestle-watersna.com/Content/Documen
Internships and Employment

1. **CDC Peer Mentor**
   College of Natural Sciences
   Career Design Center is in the process of hiring Career Peer Mentors. The Career Peer Mentors will meet with students on a walk-in and same-day appointment basis to introduce Career Design Center services, offer guidance in internship and job search resources, review resumes and cover letters, discuss the graduate school application process, educate students on website resources, and serve as a role model of professional behavior. They will also assist Career Coaches with a variety of projects, including: creating marketing materials for events and conducting research on various topics. Required qualifications include: 3rd or 4th year Natural Sciences student with minimum overall GPA of 3.0; has completed a successful experiential learning opportunity, such as an internship or job (paid or unpaid), and has had experience with job searching, writing a resume and/or cover letter, and interview experience; demonstrated customer service skills; demonstrated written and oral communication skills.

   Contact: Katie Thompson at kthompson@austin.utexas.edu

2. **Internships Ted Strauss Civic Internship Award**
   Due Wednesday, April 30th

   Attention UT undergraduate students! You are invited to apply for the Ted Strauss Civic Internship Award to help you fund your summer internship. Winners will be awarded a $2,000 stipend.

Research and Volunteering

1. **Sternet Research Internships**
   The STARNET Undergraduate Research Internship program provides undergraduates at the end of their third or fourth year of bachelor studies with valuable research experience, mentoring, and contact with industry representatives. Participating undergraduates not only gain confidence in their ability to perform hands-on research, but they also come to appreciate the doors that are opened to those with an advanced degree.

   For more information, go to: https://www.src.org/program/s ternet/undergrad-internships/

2. **The Undergraduate Research Awards**
   Applications are due June 2nd

   The University Honors Center is pleased to share The Undergraduate Awards, an opportunity for undergraduate students to have their best research essays or special projects recognized and published as part of a program celebrating top students from around the world. We encourage you to share this information with interested students and faculty in your department.

   The Undergraduate Awards recognize the world's top undergraduate research projects from a variety of academic disciplines spanning the humanities, sciences, and visual arts. Open to final and penultimate year undergraduates, students are invited to submit research essays or special projects completed as part of their coursework that have received a grade of A and present fresh ideas and new arguments. Winning students will have their work published in the Undergraduate Awards Journal and be invited to attend the UA Summit—a 3 day conference in Dublin, Ireland.

   A sample announcement for your website or newsletter is attached, as well as template for announcement to departmental faculty members.

   Students should visit www.utexas.edu/ugs/uhc/awards/undergraduate.

Pre-Professional

1. **Celebrate Your Acceptance to Professional School**
   May 1; 12:00pm - 4:00 pm; PAI 5.03

   All HP students come stop by the Health Professions Office and celebrate your acceptance with your peers, join us for free snow cones and fun photo booth!
1. **NSC Faculty Staff Appreciation Banquet**
   *Monday, April 28th, 5-7PM*

   The Faculty and Staff Appreciation Banquet is an annual event put on by Natural Sciences Council! We invite any CNS student to invite a CNS professor, advisor or TA that they feel has made a difference to them.

   **RSVP by Friday, April 18th**

   Facebook event: [tinyurl.com/FSAB14](https://tinyurl.com/FSAB14)

   This link also directs you to someone you can email if you have any more questions.