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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Academic Announcements

1. Add/drop period
   January 13-16th
   Last day of the official add/drop period; after this date, changes in registration may require the approval of the department chair and usually the student’s dean.

2. 12th Class Day
   January 29th
   Last day an undergraduate may add a class and last day to drop a class without using a Q drop.

3. University Extension Walk-in advising hours
   Monday January 13th; 4pm-56m; WCH 2.102
   Dr. Mike Raney, the University Extension academic adviser, holds a two-hour session to meet with students.

4. 2014 Spring University Extension Courses
   There is no need to wait to register for an evening classroom or online cohort course with University Extension (UEX). UEX’s Spring 2014 courses are posted and open for registration, now.
   UEX grades are provided on an official university transcript and included in one’s cumulative UT GPA. Learn more and register at http://www.utexas.edu/ce/uex/spring2014.

   This summer (2014), the business school will offer their Business Foundations Summer Institute as “The Business of Healthcare”. The core business courses: Accounting, Finance, Business Law, Management, and Entrepreneurship will feature examples/cases from the context of healthcare and the faculty leading these courses have job experience/special knowledge about healthcare. To apply and find more information, http://www.mccombs.utexas.edu/Business-Foundations/Summer-Institute.aspx

6. 2014 Women and Food Symposium
   Saturday January 18th; 10am-2pm; GEA 125
   The UT Food Lab is thrilled to present a day of conversation, inquiry, and discovery featuring the women who are shaping the culinary, literary, academic, and business worlds. Please RSVP to tiffany.swonke@austin.utexas.edu

Scholarships

1. Texas Exes Scholarship Application
   Due March 1st
   The Texas Exes Scholarships for continuing students application is now open. Please see http://www.texasscholarships.org/apply/continuing/CSA.html to apply.

2. Continuing and Transfer Scholarship Applications
   Due April 1st
   UT's Continuing and Transfer Scholarship application is now open. See http://finaid.utexas.edu/spotlights/CSA140.html
   To apply.

3. Sign up for the CNS scholarship list serv
   CNS undergraduates interested in receiving scholarship information from the CNS Scholarship Coordinator can sign up for the following list serv: cnsscholarships@utlists.utexas.edu. This list serv is used to make announcements regarding undergraduate scholarships opportunities both within and outside of UT, upcoming deadlines, financial aid information, etc.

4. Regents’ Outstanding Arts and Humanities Award
   Due February 1st
   The University of Texas System Board of Regents award program recognizes outstanding students and student groups. This year, the award will recognize students in creative writing. Submit your best poems and short stories and essays to http://deanofstudents.utexas.edu/doscentral/creative40acres.php

Internships and Employment

1. Career Coaching Drop in Hours
   January 13th; 10am-12pm;
   January 14th; 1-3pm; January 16th; 1-3pm; PAI 5.03
   Fifteen minute drop-in appointments are available each week to discuss career related questions such as a resume/cover letter, job or internship searches, interview preparations, etc.

2. Resumania
   January 21st and January 22nd; 12-5pm; Gates Atrium
   Come stop by the first Resumania of 2014 to have CNS Career Design Center staff edit your resume or if you have any questions about your resume. Please bring a hard copy. No appointment is needed.

3. Spring 2014 Career Fair
   January 30th; Frank Erwin Center; 1-6pm
   Our spring career fair is here! Please see www.cns.utexas.edu/career-design-center/career-events/career-fairs for information about employers that are attending, what students they are looking for, and what opportunities are available.
Don’t forget there will be a shuttle between the Erwin Center and the Littlefield Fountain.

4. **Archer Fellowship Program**

Interested in public policy and public service? Want to spend a semester living, interning, and taking in-residence classes in Washington, D.C.?

If the answer is yes, the Archer Fellowship Program may be for you! Students of all majors, political beliefs, and policy interests are welcome to apply. Come learn about this exciting program at an information session; view the schedule at [http://www.utexas.edu/ugs/archer/info-sessions](http://www.utexas.edu/ugs/archer/info-sessions).

Applications for the 2014-2015 academic year are due February 17, though students who will be abroad this spring should apply by November 1. Rose Mastrangelo at r.mastrangelo@austin.utexas.edu.

**Research and Volunteering**

1. **Undergraduate Research Fellowships**

   Application deadline: Jan 22, 2014

   Funding for undergraduate research projects is available. These fellowships, up to $1000, are intended to cover costs associated with independent research projects proposed and written by student applicants and undertaken with the supervision of university tenured or tenure-track faculty member. Visit [http://www.utexas.edu/research/resources/awards-fellowships-grants](http://www.utexas.edu/research/resources/awards-fellowships-grants) to apply.

   Attend an information session on Friday, January 17th from 12:30-1:20pm in FAC 328.

2. **Austin Regional Science Fair Judges**

   Volunteer to be a judge at the Austin Regional Science Fair on Thursday Feb 20 and Saturday February Feb 22nd. To register and find more details, please visit: [http://www.sciencefest.org/volunteer/judgeRegistration.php](http://www.sciencefest.org/volunteer/judgeRegistration.php)

3. **ORISE Fellowships at CDC**

   Application due: January 17th

   The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), Division of Laboratory Sciences (DLS), is seeking Summer ORISE Fellows to focus on public health issues related to the environment. Candidates will join projects associated with developing and applying new methods to characterize and quantitate biochemical markers that are relevant in environmental exposures and chronic diseases. The fellowship carries a stipend of approximately $2,700 per month for full-time undergraduate student fellows and $3,300 for full-time graduate student fellows.

   The appointment is through the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education. The application is available at: [http://orise.orau.gov/cdc](http://orise.orau.gov/cdc).

   To be considered, please send all application materials, including the application, a current resume, official transcript, and two letters of recommendation, to CDCrupp@orau.org by January 17, 2014. Please reference CDC-NCEH-2014-0004 LS in all communications.

4. **2014 Caltech Amgen Scholars Program**

   Applications due: February 3rd

   UC Berkeley is pleased to announce the 2014 Amgen Scholars Summer Research Program in Science and Biotechnology. 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.

   Program dates are June 2 - August 8, 2014 and the application deadline is Monday, February 3, 2014. Berkeley welcomes applications from your students and appreciates if you would forward this information to your colleagues.

   For more information about the program, please visit the following sites:

   UC Berkeley Amgen Scholars Program Website at [http://amgenscholars.berkeley.edu](http://amgenscholars.berkeley.edu)

   National Amgen Scholars Program Website at [http://amgenscholars.com](http://amgenscholars.com)

**Organization Announcements**

1. **Spring Student Organization Fair**

   Wednesday, January 15, 20014; 11am-3pm; SAC Ballroom 2.410

   Come to the Spring Student Organization Fair to connect with organizations and get involved on campus.

2. **Student Journal Club**

   February 6th; GAR 0.102; 5pm

   The SJC was created to expose undergraduates to the peer-review process and allow them to review papers/articles regarding
current events in various fields of science in the presence of other like-minded students, and to give students exposure to effective methods of giving presentations on scientific papers.

We currently have a lot of ideas lined up for this upcoming semester, including professor talks, and are excited to see everyone there so we can get a feel for the interest levels in the different fields of science.

If you would like to be put on the mailing list, the membership form is now active.

If you have any questions you can message me or Brendan Chou on Facebook, or send an email to sjcofficers@gmail.com"