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. **CNS Student Town Hall**  
   Monday, November 11th; 5pm-6pm; WEL 3.502

Each semester, students are invited to speak with the College leadership and ask questions of interest to students at large. Anything from courses and registration, degrees and majors, opportunities for students, concerns about classes, and the direction of the college. Any and all students in the College of Natural Sciences are welcome.

This semester’s panel includes:
- Dr. Linda Hicke  
  Dean of the College of Natural Sciences  
- Dr. Sacha Kopp  
  Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education  
- Lesley Riley  
  Director of the Health Professions Office  
- Mike Raney  
  Assistant Dean, University Extension Academic Advisor

2. **African American Student Alumni Luncheon**  
   Wednesday November 13th; 12-1pm; San Jacinto Multipurpose Room

Please join us for lunch, and stay for alumni-student discussions, learn more about mentoring programs, meet members of the faculty and myself, and perhaps network with alumni in your career field here in the Austin area. RSVP here: http://tinyurl.com/mose3fe

3. **CNS Etiquette Dinner**  
   Thursday, November 14th, 5:30-9pm; Santa Rita Suite; Texas Union

The Career Design Center would like to invite you to the Fall 2013, Etiquette Dinner. Etiquette goes far beyond knowing which forks to use at an interview dinner with a potential employer. It is about projecting an image of professionalism! Join fellow students and select employers in a full-course meal to learn about proper dining etiquette, networking, and professionalism. RSVP here: http://tiny.cc/etiquettедinner

4. **History and Philosophy of Science Lecture**  
   Friday November 15th; 12-1pm; WAG 316

Come to the History and Philosophy of Science Friday lecture on "A Passion for Science: Birds, Gender, Children, and Politics in the Life and Work of Margaret Morse Nice" featuring Marilyn Ogilvie, University of Oklahoma Professor who is the authors of several books including The Biographical Dictionary of Women in Science (2000) and Marie Curie: A Biography (2010).

5. **One Time Exception**  
   Undergraduate students who may not have urgent, substantiated, nonacademic reasons will be allowed to drop a single class or withdraw from the University after the deadline to drop or withdraw for academic reasons under the provisions of the One-Time-Exception (OTE). The OTE may be invoked only once during the student’s entire undergraduate career regardless of college the student was enrolled in at the time the exception was allowed. The OTE and the former CNS One-time drop are considered to be separate drops. Come to WCH 1.106 if you wish to find out more.

6. **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.

7. **Spring 2014 Pre-Graduate Internship**  
   Are you thinking about whether graduate school is in your future? Are you uncertain about what it would be like to be a graduate student and what academic program may be suited best to your interests and career goals?

If your answer to these questions is yes, 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.

In addition, you may read more about this program (including FAQ’s, examples of internship activities and an easy to complete internship contract) on the web: http://communication.utexas.edu/ie

   Next 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

Scholarships

1. 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: cs-scholarships@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.

Internships and Employment

1. Drop in Career Coaching
   Friday November 15th; 10-1pm; Welch Hallway
   Drop-in to visit a Career Coach for a quick check with career related questions you might have. Our Career Coaches will be rotating to different locations each Friday, so make sure to check the calendar for accurate locations and updates.

2. Networking: How to Meet the People You Need to Know
   November 13th; GDC 6.302; 5-6:30pm
   Come build career skills and start thinking about your future by learning about networking.

3. Intellectual Property Basics for Entrepreneurs
   November 20th; GDC 6.302; 5-6:30pm
   Come build career skills and start thinking about your future by learning about networking.

4. US Department of Homeland Security Stem Internships
   Applications due January 6th
   The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) sponsors a 10-week summer internship program for students majoring in homeland security related science, technology, engineering and mathematics (HS-STEM) Disciplines. The program provides students with quality research experiences at federal research facilities located across the country and allows students the opportunity to establish connections with DHS professionals. It is open to undergraduate students in a broad spectrum of HS-STEM Disciplines and DHS mission-relevant Research Areas. The ultimate goal of the program is to engage a diverse, educated and skilled pool of scientists and engineers in HS-STEM areas and to promote long-term relationships between students, researchers, DHS and research facilities to enhance the HS-STEM workforce. Find out more at: http://www.orau.gov/dhseducation/internships/

5. 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.

Research and Volunteering

1. Be An Office of Admissions Volunteer
   Students interested in volunteering with the Office of Admissions, please visit: http://bealohorn.utexas.edu/share
   A few upcoming opportunities for which you might volunteer:

   Sunday, November 10th 3:30-5pm Hometown High School Recruitment Training (HHSR)
   UT students from all across the country are invited and encouraged to participate in HHSR. HHSR volunteers are given the opportunity to return to their hometown high schools during winter break to speak with prospective students about their experiences at UT. Volunteers are also given some information about admissions and other UT student services.

   Tuesday, November 12th 5:30-9pm Project Hook Up (PHU)
   PHU is an opportunity for current students to reach out to prospective and admitted Longhorns via phone. Our goal is to get high school seniors excited about becoming longhorns! Students are often surprised and happy to receive the calls.

   Post Card Project/Life as a Longhorn Panels during winter break
This is an opportunity for current students to write postcards or sit on a panel geared towards admitted students during the winter break.

2. *Peace Corps Information Session*
   Wednesday, November 13th; 5:30-6:30pm; BUR 134

Come find out more information about the Peace Corps [https://www.facebook.com/events/399331693527473/](https://www.facebook.com/events/399331693527473/)

3. *Be a Destination Imagination Judge*
   Volunteers needed to appraise student presentations!
   Thousands of students in Texas participate in a team-based creative problem solving program called Destination Imagination. Teams solve mind-bending, open-ended challenges in the areas of technical, scientific, structure building, fine arts, community service, and improvisational theater. They present their solutions at a Regional Tournament. It is 100% volunteer-led and they need volunteers to help the kids realize their success!
   
   If you have a good sense of humor and are over the age of 18, you can be an appraiser! You would need to attend training on 2/8/14 (8:30 am-12:00pm at Cedar Park Middle School) and attend the Tournament on 2/22/14 (8:00am-5:00pm at Rouse High School, Leander). On tournament day, your appraisal team will observe presentations and provide positive feedback, award points and nominate teams for special awards.
   
   Contact [CAPITALCPSO@gmail.com](mailto:CAPITALCPSO@gmail.com) for registration information.

4. *2014 UC Berkeley 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 [http://amgenscholars.berkeley.edu](http://amgenscholars.berkeley.edu)
- National Amgen Scholars Program Website [http://amgenscholars.com](http://amgenscholars.com)

5. *Science Undergrad Lab Internship*
   Applications are due January 10, 2014

The Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internship (SULI) program encourages undergraduate students to pursue science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) careers by providing research experiences at the Department of Energy (DOE) laboratories. Selected students participate as interns appointed at one of 15 participating DOE laboratories. They perform research, under the guidance of laboratory staff scientists or engineers, on projects supporting the DOE mission.

Must be currently enrolled as a [http://science.energy.gov/wdts/suli](http://science.energy.gov/wdts/suli)

**Pre-Professional Announcements**

1. *UT Health Science Center at Houston Medical School Speaker Series*
   November 18th; 6:30-7:30pm; WEL 2246

   RSVP at [https://utexas.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_6MC1sbUN2BiLBHv](https://utexas.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_6MC1sbUN2BiLBHv)

2. **Summer 2014 TAMU Baylor College of Dentistry Pre-Dental Enrichment Program**
   Application Deadline: January 31, 2014

   SPEP Collegiate II is a six-week program which provides college and post-college students an opportunity to prepare for and successfully take the DAT, strengthen their academic science background, increase their competitiveness for admission to dental school and enhance their success once admitted to dental school. For more information, see: [http://bcd.tamhsc.edu/student-development/collegiate2.html](http://bcd.tamhsc.edu/student-development/collegiate2.html)