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. Bridging Disciplines Program
   Deadline
   Application Due Oct 10 FAC338

BDP allows students to earn an interdisciplinary certificate in one of 11 different themes. The 19 credit-hour certificate is transcript recognized and incorporates coursework and experiential learning. Before applying, interested students should attend an info session offered Tuesdays 11-12 or Wednesdays 3-4 in FAC 4.

Students can find instructions on how to apply, as well as our application on our website. The spring deadline will be in mid-March.

2. Registration and Advising
   Registration for the Spring Semester begins October 28th. Please contact your advising center soon to arrange an advising appointment, and be sure to submit an online advising worksheet. You should start studying the spring, 2014 course schedule. I know you all are still thinking about midterms and papers to write, but it’s time to pay attention to this.

3. Natural Sciences Week
   Monday Oct 14th -Friday Oct 18th

Presented by Natural Sciences Council, Events throughout the week will celebrate some of the goings-on in the college and give you opportunities to network with student groups and with our faculty. Check out the events below, on the NSC website or on our Facebook http://naturalsciences council.blogspot.com/pagehttps://www.facebook.com/UTNSC

There will be free food, t-shirts, and much more!

Monday
- Student Orgs on East mall and kick off 5-7pm

Tuesday
- Software for Scientists; 2-3:30pm; POB 2.302
- Making the Most of Your Break ft Career Design Center; 6-7:30pm; PAI 2.48

Wednesday
- So What is the BSA? Townhall with Dr. Sacha Kopp and CNS Staff. 5-6:30pm. WEL 3.502
- Star Party ft Dr. Finkelstein and the Astronomy and Physics Student Associations
  RLM 4.102

Thursday
- A Deeper Look Inside Chemistry, Neuroscience, and Computer Sciences; 11am-3pm; WEL, NHB, GDC labs
- What To Do With Your Degree? Networking Event; 5-7pm; Welch Courtyard

Friday
- Why Great Students Choose to be Pretty Good (ft. Dr. Laude) 12-1pm; JGB 2.324
- Roads to Research ft. Surge; 3-5pm; TX Union 3.502

4. Nominations for the Holloway Award
   Deadline: Friday, Nov. 1 at 5:00pm

Texas is now accepting nominations the 2014 Jean Holloway Award for Excellence in Teaching. You can help recognize an outstanding Liberal Arts or Natural Sciences professor who has had a genuine influence on the educational experience of university students by nominating a professor at: https://www.texasexes.org/form/holloway.asp. The purpose of this award is to recognize a professor who demonstrates the ability to impart knowledge and challenge students and also demonstrates an all-around concern for students. The $4,500 award is given annually to a professor from the College of Liberal Arts or the College of Natural Sciences. This award is student nominated and is considered one of the most valued awards for faculty because it is student-selected!

5. College Tuition and Budget Advisory Board Applications
   Deadline: Wednesday October 16th, 2013

The CTBAC is a bi-annual student group that meets to gather student input and advise the college on priorities for student programs, services, and teaching. Students benefit from being involved in helping shape the future of their college. This year the College of Natural Sciences has crafted its Strategic Plan, a comprehensive view of the college's priorities for the years ahead. Central to the Strategic Plan are elements that strengthen undergraduate and graduate teaching and education. With this year's CTBAC, the College requests feedback and ideas for successful implementation of the strategic plan. CTBAC is made up entirely of students. It is headed up by the president of the Natural Sciences Council, Juan Herrejon. To apply to be on CTBAC, fill out the form located here at this link.
6. **African American Student/Alumni Luncheon**  
   Oct 16th; 12-1pm; San Jacinto Multipurpose Room 207C  
   Please join us for lunch, and stay for alumni-student discussions, learn more about mentoring programs, meet members of the faculty and Dean Kopp, and perhaps network with alumni in your career field here in the Austin area.  
   To RSVP, go to: http://tinyurl.com/me6h6bc

   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

8. **CNS Family Day**  
   Saturday, October 19th; 9am-12pm  
   Join the College of Natural Sciences during Family Weekend at UT! Enjoy a light breakfast, talk with professors, advisers and students, meet our Dean, Linda Hicke, and experience exciting hands-on activities!  
   Accommodation requests for disability services should be made at least five days prior to the activity. While every effort will be made, the University may be unable to fulfill last-minute requests.  
   For more information about the College of Natural Sciences event, please contact Maggie Wilhite at maggie.wilhite@austin.utexas.edu.  
   For more information about Family Weekend activities and to RSVP for our event, please visit www.texasparents.org.

**Scholarships**

1. **How to Get Money for Research and Study in Europe**  
   Mon, October 7, 2013; 1:30; CLA 1.302E  
   Featuring Erica Lutes, Executive Director of the Fulbright Commission in Brussels and Dr. Larry Carver, Director of the Liberal Arts Honors Program, UT Austin.  
   Join us for a discussion about scholarship opportunities offered through UT and others including the Fulbright Schuman Award (EU wide). The presentation will include award details, the application process and examples of successful proposals and potential host institutions. Attendees can also expect to learn more about current trends in EU studies- as seen through the award applications Fulbright Schuman receives- and the program’s prestigious alumni.  
   The workshop is open to all. Undergraduates, graduates, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend!  
   http://www.utexas.edu/cola/centers/european_studies/news/7053

**Internships and Employment**

1. **Ask A Career Coach**  
   October 11th Welch Hallway; 10-1pm  
   Do you have a quick career related question? Speak to a Career Coach today!  
   A 15 minute 'Ask a Career Coach' session can include:  
   -Resume/Cover Letter Review  
   -Job Search Tips  
   -Interview Tips  
   -Networking Ideas  
   -Graduate School Questions

2. **Careers in Law Workshop**  
   October 8th; 5pm; CPE 2.220  
   Panel of 3 IP lawyers and 1 UT law student

3. **National Security Agency (NSA) Info Session**  
   October 9th; 5:15 PM; SRH - Rm. TBD  
   Find out more about working for the NSA

4. **Wall Street 101**  
   October 9th; 5-6:30PM; GEA105  
   Please join us for this session to learn more about why beginning your career on Wall Street is a fantastic opportunity for students across a wide range of majors and educational backgrounds.

5. **Aon Hewitt Information Session**
Monday October 7th; 7-8pm; Burdine Hall, 220

Aon Hewitt is an American provider of Human Capital and Management Consulting services headquartered in Lincolnshire, United States. It operates 500 offices in 120 countries providing Consulting, Outsourcing, and Reinsurance Brokerage services. Come find out more about jobs for Aon Hewitt at the information session.

6. **UT Orientation Advisor**

New Student Services at The University of Texas at Austin is seeking a diverse group of talented students to develop, plan, and execute the 2014 Summer Orientation program. If you are looking for a fun and rewarding leadership opportunity, working with a diverse and socially conscious group of campus leaders, then consider applying to become an Orientation Advisor (OA). OAs are important representatives for all incoming students – they are among the first people new students and families meet! The on-campus housing, meal-plan, and stipend are simply the generous monetary benefits of becoming an Orientation Advisor.

Interested students must attend one of the following information sessions to obtain an online application:

- **Tuesday, October 8, 2013 8:30 – 9:30 p.m., North Office Building A (NOA) 1.126**
- **Wednesday, October 9, 2013 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., Robert A. Welch Hall (WEL) 2.312**
- **Sunday, October 13, 2013 8:30 – 9:30 p.m., Burdine Hall (BUR) 106**

Orientation Advisor Recruitment and Summer Orientation are coordinated by New Student Services [http://utsenate.org/urrg](http://utsenate.org/urrg). For more information, contact us at 512-471-3304.

7. **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

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**Research and Volunteering**

1. **Senate of College Councils Undergraduate Research Grant**

**Deadline: Oct. 25th**

Applications for Senate of College Councils' Undergraduate Research Grant have been released. The grant provides $1,000 to an undergraduate in order to fund his or her research. Eligible applicants include students assisting a faculty member with a research project, as well as students conducting independent or partnered research and is open to ALL majors. Apply by Friday, October 25 at [http://utsenate.org/urg](http://utsenate.org/urg)

2. **Rice Regional Undergraduate Symposium**

The Rice University Department of Chemistry and the Department of Biochemistry & Cell Biology encourage undergraduate students conducting research in chemistry, biochemistry, and related fields to participate in the Regional Undergraduate Symposium to be held at Rice University on October 26, 2013.

The symposium format is 15-min PowerPoint presentations. To close the symposium, K.C. Nicolaou will give a keynote address for chemistry and Cindy Farach-Carson for biochemistry (these talks will happen concurrently), and an awards ceremony (with small cash prizes) will recognize outstanding oral presentations. For more information and to register visit: [https://chem.rice.edu/RUS.aspx](https://chem.rice.edu/RUS.aspx).

**Pre-Professional Announcements**

1. **Medical/Dental School Interview Workshop**

**October 7th; 12-1pm; BUR 216**

It's Interview Season for Health Professional Schools! You've passed the first hurdle. Now, be prepared! This workshop will provide tips for surviving---and thriving in---the interview process for health professional schools. Aimed at juniors and seniors currently in the 2013-2014 Admissions Cycle for Medical/Dental & Pharmacy schools.

2. **Medical School Speaker Series**

**October 9th; 6:30-7:30; UTC 4.134**

Come hear from University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine’s Associate Director of
Admissions & Financial Aid - Charles Todd, PhD

3. Medical School Peer Panel
   Monday October 14th; 5:30-7:30pm; WEL 2.224

   Come find out what the application process was like for medical school from a panel of Health Professions Office Pre-Med Peer Mentors!

4. UNT Health Science Center College of Pharmacy Information Session
   Tuesday, October 15, 2013; Medical Education and Training Building (MET) – 124N and 125S Auditorium; 6:00

   Meet and greet the Dean/Faculty

5. Regional American Physician Scientists Association Meeting for MD/PhD interested Students
   October 19th; San Antonio

   MD/PhD students at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio are hosting the South Regional meeting of the American Physician Scientists Association (APSA). APSA promotes more physician involvement in research with primary focus on MD/PhD students (www.physicianscientists.org).

   It is an opportunity for anyone to meet admission directors from several MD/PhD programs around Texas, current MD/PhD students, and established physician scientists. Breakout sessions will cover topics such as Applying to MD and MD/PhD Programs, Humanism in Medical Science, Finding a Research Topic, Choosing a Lab/Mentor, Research as a Resident/Post-Doc, and Applying for Funding as a Pre-/Post-Doc.

Organization Announcements

1. Texas Nutrition Third General Meeting
   Monday October 7; 5:00 pm; WEL 2.308
   Darya Pino Rose Ph.D. will be holding a dynamic discussion on various current nutrition topics at our next meeting. Darya is the creator of Summer Tomato, one of TIME’s 50 Best Websites she has a Ph.D. in neuroscience from the University of California, San Francisco, and a bachelor’s degree in Molecular and Cell Biology from UC Berkeley.

2. Health Careers Mentorship Program Information
   The Health Careers Mentorship Program is a partnership between Austin Medical Education Programs, the Texas Department of State Health Services, members of the SETON Healthcare Network, and Travis County Medical Society. The program is established to teach mature students about the clinical and non-clinical aspects of the health care system. Find out more at their information sessions held THIS Monday-Thursday from 6-7 PM in GAR 3.116.