### **NEWSLETTER**

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

Dean Vanden Bout'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 nicolekruijs@gmail.com. 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. Austin Forum: Dell Medical School Vision

Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>; 5:45-7:30pm; AT&T Conference Center Amphitheater

Scheduled to admit its first class in 2016, the Dell Medical School will offer a unique opportunity in medical education. As part of one of the nation's leading research universities, it will pursue excellence in transdisciplinary and interprofessional education. In this presentation, Dr. Johnston will share his vision and progress for creating a medical school that can guide us through the transformation in healthcare we all want to see. *Dr. Johnston is the inaugural* Dean of the Dell Medical School at the University of Texas, Austin. He is also Professor of Neurology, specializing in stroke care and research. RSVP here: http://bit.ly/1A6saIQ

## 2. Bridging Disciplines Info Session

Deadline October 9, 5pm.

Bridging Disciplines Programs Fall 2014 Application Deadline: October 9th, 5 p.m. BDP offers students the opportunity to earn an interdisciplinary certificate in one of 15 topics. Interested students should attend one of our Information Sessions offered every Tuesday 11-noon and Wednesday 3-4 in FAC 4. Students can learn more about how to apply on our website. Submit an application and essay by 5 p.m. to FAC 338 on October 9th. Our next application deadline will be in early March

3. Hot Science Cool Talks

October 6th; 5:45-8:15pm; Austin Convention Center

ESI is teaming up with SXSW Eco for this special edition of Hot Science - Cool Talks. As with all Hot Science - Cool Talks, this will be a FREE event for the general public. No badges or passes are required.

#### SXSW Eco

link: http://schedule.sxsweco.co m/events/event\_ECOP990954

#### ESI

link: http://www.esi.utexas.edu/ hot-science-cool-talks/375extreme-weather-anduncertainty-in-forecasting Every day in the news it seems like there are more and more stories about record-breaking weather. Kevin Kloesel is a Texas Ex and Director of the Oklahoma Climatological Survey, working right in the heart of Tornado Alley. He will talk about the science behind extreme weather events such as tornadoes and super storms, and how meteorologists deal with uncertainty in their forecasts. His talk will include demonstrations of extreme weather phenomena, and comparisons between shooting three-point baskets and climate change.

#### 4. Graduate School Fair

October 7; 10am-2pm Texas Union Ballroom

Meet representatives from graduate programs across the country. This event is free and open to all majors at UT.

Learn more about the event: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a> events/355048561319422/

In order to expedite your registration, you can RSVP in advance

here: https://jfe.qualtrics.com/for m/SV\_begU7RazgI5s7bf

## 5. CNS Diversity Mixers Invitation

CNS would like to invite you to two upcoming Diversity
Engagement Mixers. They will be held in NHB 1.720 on the UT campus. Please join us for food, 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. The dates are:

October 23, 2014: Student and Alumni Dinner, 5:30 – 7:00 pm November 20, 2014: Student and Alumni Lunch, 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Please let us know of your attendance, and if you need a vegetarian lunch, as soon as possible. The links above are where you can RSVP. Please spread the word even if you cannot attend yourself.

#### 6. Archer Fellowship Program

The Archer Fellowship Program is a program that empowers students from across the The University of Texas System by providing a unique opportunity to live, learn and intern in Washington, D.C. Each year between 32-40 UT Austin undergraduates are selected to become Archer Fellows. Fellows live in town homes on Capitol Hill; earn 15 hours of inresidence credit by taking classes on policy, politics, and advocacy; and pursue a full-time internship. Students may apply their financial aid to the program costs, and a number of scholarships are available to support selected Archer Fellows.

The Archer Program is seeking applications from a diverse group of students who represent various majors and disciplines across campus. While all applicants should share a passion for policy and public service, we welcome students with diverse policy interests. It's easy to see this diversity represented in previous Archer Fellows by looking at their internship placements. Previous Archer fellows have interned with The White House, National Geographic, the U.S. Department of Education, the Sierra Club, Amnesty International, the Alliance for Health Care Reform, the Republican National Committee and the U.S. Department of Justice among many others sites and organizations.

For more information, come to an information session:

| 4:00pm Wednesday, October 8 | 4:00pm Thursday, October 16 | 4:00pm Wednesday, November 5 | 4:00pm Thursday, November 13 | 4:00pm

All information sessions take place in FAC 328

UT Austin Campus Coordinator: Christine Anderson | canderson@austin.utexas.edu

#### 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.

Financial aid can be used to pay for semester-based classroom courses. It is a good idea to check with the Office of Student Financial Services before registering. 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/f all2012. Call or write to UEX at (512) 471-2900 or uex@austin.utexas.edu.

### **Scholarships**

## 1. Environmental Excellence Awards

Applications for 2015 are still open. For more information about the Texas Environmental Excellence Program, visit <a href="www.teea.org">www.teea.org</a> or contact Stephanie Cunningham, TEEA Program Coordinator (awards@tceq.texas.gov or 512-239-3143).

### **Internships and Employment**

## 1. Fall 2014 Communication Job Fair

Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>; 10am-3pm; North End Zone-The Club of DKR

Students are welcome to attend our career fair on Wednesday, October 15th! If possible, please forward the information below to your students. I have also attached a slide for your monitors.

The career fair is a great way to get started on your job or internship search. This semester's fair will be held on Wednesday, October 15th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm in the North End Zone-The Club of DKR Stadium (enter at Gates 14

& 16). You can join the Facebook event <u>here</u> and see a full list of employers on the <u>Career Fair</u> Program.

### 2. Walk in Career Coaching

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Senior Career Coaches, Jessica Sitler and Melanie Pearce, are available for brief, 10-15 minute walk-in career coaching appointments These walk-in appointments are for undergraduate students and topics include: resume/cover letter reviews, job search tactics, interview techniques, graduate school information, job offers/salary negotiation, resource guidance, and general career related questions! Appointments are at a first come, first serve basis. Appointment days/times are subject to change, please check the announcement section of our website for any changes.

3. Peer Mentor Resume Reviews Monday, 1-5 PM; Tuesday, 8-9:30 AM, 11 AM-3 PM; Wednesday, 1-3 PM; Thursday, 8-9:30 AM, 10 AM-1:30 PM; Friday, 11 AM-2 PM

Peer mentors Mickey Damani and Brian Yim are available to meet with undergraduate students to assist with resume/cover letter reviews and general career questions. Appointments are at a first come, first serve basis. Appointment days/times are subject to change, please check the announcement section of our website for any changes.

## 4. Pre Graduate School Internship

There is still time to enroll in the fall 2014 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.ed u/ie/. For future information, contact Professor Richard Cherwitz,spaj737@uts.cc.utexas. edu.

# Pre-Professional Announcements

#### 1. Health Professions Info Sessions

Hear from a Pre-Health
Professions Coach about HPO
Services and the UT Austin PreHealth Professions Experience.
We will also introduce the Health
Professions Certificate
Coordinator who will present
information and answer
questions about the Pre-Health
Professions Certificate
requirements.

We encourage you to go to <a href="http://cns.utexas.edu/health-professions/events-workshops">http://cns.utexas.edu/health-professions/events-workshops</a> and RSVP for the session that best fits your schedule.

If you do not RSVP, you are still welcome to join us. There are usually available seats.

Thu- 10/16/2014; 4-5 PM; GEA 105 Wed- 10/22/2014; 5-6 PM; WEL 1.308

#### 2. Getting Involved

Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup>; 3:30-4:30pm; PHR 2.110

Please rsvp at https://utexas.qualtrics.com/SE/ ?SID=SV\_8Hb818y0C5g0hkV

## 3. UTHSCA San Antonio School of Medicine

October 14th; 6:30-7:30; PHR 2.110

Representatives from different Texas medical schools will be making presentations as part of a medical school speakers series sponsored by the Health Professions Office.