March/April 2019

Psychology Majors Newsletter

Get Ready for Registration!

Registration for Fall classes begins Monday, April 1. Although you are not required to meet with an advisor before you register, we are happy to review your course selections with you. Be sure to come before the registration crunch. Please check SPIRE for your registration day/time before you sign up for classes. Please be sure to clear any HOLDS you have before registration begins!

Research and Teaching Assistantships.

Did you know that you can receive credit for doing an RA or TA? These are also great ways to expand your educational experience. Lots of opportunities will be posted both online and on our bulletin board (across from Tobin 503) beginning now.

Interested in becoming a Peer Advisor in the Psychology Advising Office?

Peer advisors earn one credit spending 3 hours/week advising our majors on course selection, navigating SPIRE, and opportunities in the department. Advisors can earn an additional credit by registering for the CNS Advisor Training course which meets Friday afternoons. If you are interested in this great opportunity for Fall, 2019, pick up an application (due Friday, April 5) in Tobin 501.

Become a Part of Our PBS SPACE Mentoring Program!

Want to learn more about campus, make some new friends, and become part of a great mentoring team? Apply to become either a mentee or a mentor. We meet every Monday from 4-5pm. Learn more and download an application on our website. The priority deadline for applications is Friday, April 5, but applications will continue to be reviewed until all positions are filled. Contact Prof. Metevier: stina@cns.umass.edu with questions.

Interested in Diversity Issues? ADRAP may be for you!

Would you like to learn about diversity in psychology in a year-long small seminar and gain hands-on experience? Advancing Diversity in Research and Practice (ADRAP) is a two-semester commitment that includes a seminar and practical experiences in the form of a research assistantship or internship. If you are interested, email Prof. Biju Dasgupta at: dasgupta@psych.umass.edu.

Summer 2019 courses

If you want to take a course over the summer, you should sign up through continuing education (enrollment begins March 11) Drop by the advising office for full descriptions of psychology courses offered or look on www.umass.edu/cpe.

We offer over 40 course offerings which include our standard courses and “hot topic” classes such as: Behavioral Addictions, History and Contemporary Systems, Disorders in Children, Human Stress and Emotion, Human Neuropsychology, and Counseling and Psychotherapies. Check out the course lists!

Taking Non-UMASS summer courses?

Be sure to submit a catalog description of Psychology courses to an advisor for evaluation and approval before you take a non-UMASS course.

Jobs and internships!

Looking for a full time job, summer job or internship position? Check out the bulletin board outside of Tobin 501, our website: http://www.umass.edu/pbs/undergraduate/external-resources and the CNS Careers website: https://www.cns.umass.edu/advising/cns-career-center.

March/April Workshops and Events

Internship Workshop—Monday, April 1, 4pm, Tobin 423

Are you thinking of pursuing an internship during summer or fall? Come hear Dr. Erik Cheries (general Internship Coordinator in PBS) and Dr. Ashley Woodward (Director and Internship Coordinator for our DDHS specialization) describe how to find an internship, complete the necessary paperwork, and receive course credit toward your Psychology major while gaining hands-on experience.

PBS Undergraduate Research Symposium—(Thursday, April 25, 4-6pm, Tobin 4th floor breezeway)

Undergraduates doing research in a PBS lab are invited to participate in our annual poster symposium. This is a great opportunity to share your research findings with PBS faculty, other students, and your friends. Students of any class year are welcome to present new posters or posters used at prior conferences in the past year, or posters prepared for the Massachusetts Undergraduate Research Symposium (held the next day). Students completing a research thesis are especially encouraged to attend. RSVP and reserve a posterboard at: https://geo.gl/forms/6eBB6chrAJP?tnaurl (preferred) or by emailing echeries@umass.edu

Psychology Career Fair April 19 11:00-1:00 Marriott Room in the Campus Center

Are you interested in exploring your career options for the future? Are you looking for a job or considering applying to graduate school? Come to our career fair and meet representatives from recruiting organizations and graduate programs. You can learn about different career options following graduation and gain insight from recruiters and professionals! Professional attire is recommended. Contact Prof. Metevier: stina@cns.umass.edu if you have any questions.

Graduating Seniors!!!!

Watch your email for your invitation to our PBS Senior Graduation Luncheon scheduled for Saturday, May 11, 12:00pm, in the Worcester Dining Commons. This is a special time when the department recognizes our wonderful seniors and the faculty meet your families! The luncheon will occur after the CNS Graduation Ceremony (Saturday, May 11, 9—11:30am in the Mullins Center). For more information: see: http://www.cns.umass.edu/students/commencement.

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