

PRE-HEALTH NEWS OCTOBER 2008

Welcome to Pre-Health News 2008-2009! This monthly newsletter is distributed by health advisors in the Office of Academic Advising (364 Oregon Hall). The newsletter consists of announcements, articles, and items of interest to pre-health students. If you would like an announcement or meeting posted in the pre-health newsletter, please email your submissions to arwens@uoregon.edu. The newsletter is sent at the beginning of each month. To get your announcement in on time, please email Arwen no later than the 20th of the month prior.

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STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Asklepiads Pre-Medical Society

If you are interested in medical volunteer opportunities, and sharing information about medicine, plan to get involved with the Asklepiads pre-medical society. Membership to the Asklepiads is open to everyone interested. The first Asklepiads meeting this fall will be held on Tuesday, October 7 at 6pm in Willamette 110. The Asklepiads can be contacted via e-mail at premed@uoregon.edu.

Pre-Dental Club

The Pre-Dental club is organized to help students learn more about professions related to the dental field. They also have a preceptorship program which will help connect students with dental professionals in the community. The first meeting of the Pre-Dental club will be held on Wednesday, October 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the EMU fishbowl. If you are interested in participating in the club please bring your finalized school schedule. All interested students are welcome. If you have any questions please email Brittany at dental@uoregon.edu.

Pre-Pharmacy Club

The Pre-Pharmacy Club is designed to help students achieve their goals related to any area of the pharmacy field, including but not limited to careers such as pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmaceutical sales representatives. This club is always open to new members who are taking pre-pharmacy courses or anyone who is interested in learning more about this field. The Pre-Pharmacy Club can be contacted via e-mail at prepharm@uoregon.edu.

PT Club

Are you pre-physical therapy? JOIN THE PHYSICAL THERAPY CLUB!
Contact Kaylie Smith (ksmith12@uoregon.edu) for more info about the PT Club.

WORKSHOPS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/COURSES

1. Need a part-time job? Pre-health Assistant Needed in the Office of Academic Advising.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Responsible, resourceful, flexible, able to work independently and learn quickly
- Ability to anticipate needs and initiate projects
- Strong organizational and writing skills
- Ability to handle standard clerical tasks (phone calls, photocopying, writing and mailing correspondence, filing)
- Experience with Microsoft Office (Word and Excel) required.
- Demonstrated interest in pre-health sciences preferred.
- Background/coursework in statistics preferred
- Experience with In Design and BANNER preferred

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist the Pre-Health Advisors.
- Maintain files and research information on various health careers.
- Write and assemble monthly email newsletter for pre-health students.
- Enjoy helping pre-health students by providing information on health-related volunteer opportunities, prerequisite courses, the application process, etc.
- Publicize pre-health events.
- Assist with maintenance of the pre-health web site.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be able to make a three-term commitment.
- Must have Work-Study or Tech Fee package Fall/Winter/Spring and be able to work approximately 8-12 hours/week. Wage is \$7.95/hour.

If interested, apply to Lori Manson, Office of Academic Advising, 364 Oregon Hall. Please submit a one page cover letter describing your interest and qualifications for the position, resume and copy of your unofficial transcript. Please submit applications by 5pm on Monday, October 13.

2. Check out the Office of Academic Advising website for pre-health professions info! Go to <http://advising.uoregon.edu> and click on Pre-Professional Advising, Pre-Health Professions. Find information about preparing for health professions, volunteer opportunities, scholarships, and student clubs.

3. OHSU Student National Medical Association Regional Conference

The OHSU chapter of the Student National Medical Association (SNMA) will be hosting the SNMA Regional Conference on October 25, 2008. We are anticipating anywhere from 250-500 participants, including both undergraduates and medical students. Go to <http://www.snma.org/region/one/regional-conference.php> for conference registration information. Last day to register online is October 1. Students may attend and pay onsite if they are unable to register by October 1.

4. Academic Learning Services Fall Term Test Preparation Workshops:

GRE/GMAT Workshops \$150

Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25

9:00am – 12:00 pm

Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Winter term MCAT prep course starts in early January. Cost TBA.

For more information or to register, contact: Academic Learning Services, 68 PLC, 346-3226.

E-mail: als@uoregon.edu. Website: <http://als.uoregon.edu>

5. Tutoring in Academic Learning Services

Academic Learning Services offers small-group tutoring for the following courses: MATH 095, MATH 111, MATH 112, MATH 241, MATH 243, MATH 251, MATH 252, MATH 253, CH 221, PHYS 201, FR 101, FR 201, SPAN 101, and SPAN 201. Tutors conduct group sessions with six or fewer students. The fee is \$120 per course

per term, and each group meets two hours per week. Groups begin week two of the term.

ALS also offers private tutoring with fees ranging from \$8-12 per hour, and free drop-in writing and math labs for on-site assistance. For more information contact Academic Learning Services, 68 PLC, 346-3226. E-mail: als@uoregon.edu. Website: <http://als.uoregon.edu>

6. Online Pre-Med Prerequisite Courses through the University of New England

The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine Online Education offers distance courses in biochemistry, biology, chemistry, microbiology, and organic chemistry designed for students entering a health profession. The courses incorporate the same subject material as typical on-campus courses but place emphasis on information relevant to the health professions. Technological links enable students to interact with their faculty, advisors, support service administrators, as well as their student colleagues. For more information visit <http://distance.une.edu> or call 207-602-2494.

7. Workshop: How Can I prepare for a Nursing Degree?

Wednesday, October 17, 4:00pm, 360 Oregon Hall

An overview of nursing programs and the various pathways that lead to a degree in nursing. Discussion of prerequisite courses, curriculum planning, and tips on how to decide which program is best for you.

8. Career Center Workshops

Don't forget to check out the workshops offered by the Career Center! Workshops such as Resume Writing, Cover Letter Writing, and Interviewing Essentials are all available for students preparing for graduate school or their job search. Go to <http://uocareer.uoregon.edu> for more information.

9. Study Abroad Information Sessions

KEEP IN MIND APPLICATION DEADLINES ARE QUICKLY APPROACHING FOR SPRING 2009 OPPORTUNITIES, SO BE SURE TO ATTEND THESE INFORMATION SESSIONS OR VISIT STUDY ABROAD IN 330 OREGON HALL.

All sessions below held in Mills International Center, EMU:

Monday, October 13

IE3 (International Internships) - 12:00-1:30 pm

Germany-Speaking - 2:00-3:30 pm

Spanish-Speaking - 3:30-5:00 pm

Tuesday, October 14

Japan - 2:00-3:30 pm

Study Abroad 101 – 3:30-5:00

Wednesday, October 15

UK/Ireland/Netherlands - 2:00-3:30 pm

French-Speaking - 3:30-5:00 pm

Thursday, October 16

Scandinavia/Nordic Countries - 12:00-1:30 pm

Italy - 3:30-5:00 pm

Monday, October 20

East Asia – 1:30-3:00 pm

Tuesday, October 21

Study Abroad 101 – 1:30-3:00

Wednesday, October 22

Spanish-Speaking – 1:00-2:30 pm

Thursday, October 23

IE3 (Internships) – 12:00-1:30 pm

Chinese-Speaking – 2:00-3:30 pm

Italy – 3:30-5:00 pm

Tuesday, October 28

Funding for Study Abroad – 3:00-4:30 pm

10. Scholarships Available for International Internships – Deadlines approaching in October!

IE3 Global Internships will have information sessions as posted above. Scholarships are available for programs that start in spring 2009, but those deadlines are QUICKLY approaching. Check out more information about scholarships at <http://ie3global.ous.edu/>.

11. National PA (Physician's Assistant) Week is celebrated each year October 6-12. The week serves to celebrate the significant impact PAs have made and continue to make in health care, expand awareness of the profession and to salute the outstanding growth of the physician assistant profession. This year's theme is *Certified Physician Assistants: Valued Partners in Care*. For more information, visit the AAPA website www.aapa.org/newsroom/pa-week.html.

12. Pre-Med Osteopathic Awareness Night – October 21, 7-9pm, Portland

The evening will focus on “Medical School Curriculum - Osteopathic vs. Allopathic.” As always, dinner and refreshments will be provided by OPSO. The Osteopathic Awareness Night, held on the third Tuesday of every month, is dedicated to pre-med students interested in pursuing a career in Osteopathic medicine or curious about medical professions and health care issues. The event will be held in Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons Conference Room, Broadway Plaza Building, Suite 380, 2121 SW Broadway, Portland, OR 97201. Osteopathic Physicians & Surgeons of Oregon sponsors this monthly event. Questions? Contact OPSO at 503-222-2779 or email info@opso.org.

13. Kaplan practice tests for the DAT, MCAT, GMAT, LSAT, and GRE will be held at the UO Saturday, October 18. Pre-register at kaptest.com/practice or by calling 1-800-KAPTEST.

DAT: 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

MCAT: 11:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

GMAT: 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

LSAT: 12:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

GRE 3:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

LISTSERVE INFORMATION

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