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## Fall College Info and Club Fair

The 2013 College Info and Club Fair will be held Wednesday, **September 4, from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM** on the grassy area behind the ASI greenhouses and across from the Creamery patio.

The purpose of the info fair is to introduce our college students new to University Park to college academic programs and clubs, organization and society opportunities. All academic programs and department clubs, organizations and societies are invited to exhibit. Creamery ice cream will be served. In

the event of intense rain, the event will be held the following day, Thursday, September 5.

Any questions or concerns, please contact Marianne Fivек in the Office for Undergraduate Education at [ma-fivek@psu.edu](mailto:ma-fivek@psu.edu).



## Student Organization Success for Advisors—Brown Bag Thursday

Plan to attend the Student Organization Success for Advisors session on **Thursday, September 5, 2013**, from Noon-2:00 PM in 110 Ag. Sciences and Industries (ASI) Building.

The following representatives will tentatively be in attendance: Union and Student Activities

Office and Contracts and Risk Management. This information session is being co-sponsored by the College of Agricultural Sciences and the Union and Student Activities Office. Please feel free to come and go as your schedule permits.

## Request Funds for Student Activities



**Fall 2013 Semester:  
Proposals are due September 13, 2013**

**Spring 2014 Semester:  
Proposals are due December 6, 2013**

New forms and revised procedures are in place for the 2013-2014 academic school year. **It is important to carefully follow new procedures and accurately complete the forms to ensure the proposal will be reviewed and considered for funding.**

For details and proposal forms, go to <http://students.cas.psu.edu/RequestingFundsforStudentAct.htm>

### Early Progress Reports

It won't be long before all instructors will be asked to do early progress reports for first-year students in their courses. Watch your email and eLion messages for this semester's deadline to submit these reports and let's try to have 100% compliance this semester. These reports give instructors AND advisers an opportunity to touch base with their students who are struggling to give some extra help and advice.

### Master Adviser Program

Last fall, the team of faculty and staff advisers from the College of Agricultural Sciences who worked to create a Master Ad-

viser Program met with several departments to discuss the new Master Adviser Program and the advantages and rewards for developing solid advising skills. The current teaching awards program for the College has been expanded to include awards for excellence in academic advising and an SRTE-like instrument has been developed to measure advising effectiveness as evidence for annual reviews and this awards program. The team is currently developing a comprehensive "course" on advising in the ANGEL platform, complete with all resources necessary to become an effective academic adviser, which will soon be available. Look for the award application online at: <http://agsci.psu.edu/faculty-staff/awards/the-community-of-advising-excellence-award>

### Parent & Family Weekend Activities—October 5, 2013

Please come and see wildlife displays, make a corsage, get a henna tattoo, or see the Woodsmen Team in action for Parent & Family Weekend on **Saturday, October 5** from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.!! Join faculty, staff, students and volunteers from the Associate Dean's Office, the College's Office of International Programs, the College's Alumni Society, and various academic departments to discuss exciting educational opportunities for students in the College of Agricultural Sciences. All activities will take place in and around the lobby of ASI Building. Light refreshments will be served. Please encourage your students and their families to come!!

### IMPORTANT DATES!

#### Fall College

#### Student Club Fair

Wednesday, September 4th

11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Area Behind ASI Building

#### Ag Career Day

Tuesday, Oct. 22nd

9 AM to 4 PM

Bryce Jordan Center

#### College of Ag Sciences

#### Scholarship Banquet

Thursday, October 17th

5:30 PM

Penn Stater

Conference Center

## PSU Global Programs Office Deadlines

Education Abroad is changing the initial deadline date for spring applications from **April 1 to May 1**. So students interested in studying abroad in spring semester 2015 on a PSU approved program will now have until May 1, 2014 to apply for that program.

The Education Abroad program will continue to open some spring semester programs for a second deadline of Sept 15 as they have done previously. So if a student misses the May 1

deadline, they can watch over the summer to see if the program they are interested in opens for the later deadline in Sept. Some programs are currently open for studying in spring 2014 with a deadline of Sept 15, 2013.

Students interested in in studying abroad this spring should contact Ketja Lingenfelter at [kmw209@psu.edu](mailto:kmw209@psu.edu) / 814-865-4164.

## Ag Alumni Society Internship Award

The Ag Alumni Society offers a competitive awards program to encourage undergraduate students to participate in internship experiences. The Society recognizes the importance of a planned on-the-job learning experience to adequately prepare undergraduate students for today's competitive job market. All full-time baccalaureate students in the College of Agricultural Sciences (and Bio-

logical Engineering majors) who have successfully completed a credit or non-credit internship experience in the Fall 2012 semester, Spring 2013 semester or Summer 2013 semester are eligible. **Deadline is September 16, 2013.** See web site for additional information: <http://agsci.psu.edu/alumni/awards/student-awards/internship-award/internship-application>.

## Campus Sexual Assault Education Conference

A one-day conference is being organized to educate college students about sexual assault with a unique focus on masculinity and rape. The conference is available to students and is scheduled to take place at Penn State on **October 15, 2013**.

Specific topics include: characteristics of the perpetrator, rape myths, dating violence, sex as a weapon, rape in the LGBT community, what to do after rape, reporting a rape, bystander intervention, and methods of preventing rape.

A well-known speaker will provide a keynote address and attendees can choose to attend a variety of different small work-

shops. With the conference's unique focus on masculinity and rape, attendees will be educated on campus sexual assault from an innovative point of view that is not usually represented in these types of programs.

Additional details will be available mid-September at: <http://justicecenter.psu.edu/research/projects/campus-sexual-assault-education-conference>

For more information contact: Courtney Meyer, M.A. ([cam572@psu.edu](mailto:cam572@psu.edu))

## Penn State University Libraries Sponsor BrowZine

Penn State University Libraries is sponsoring BrowZine, a new tablet application that allows you to browse, read and monitor many of the library's scholarly journals--all in a format optimized for your iPad! Built to accompany your searching needs, items found in BrowZine can easily be synced up with Zotero, Dropbox, Mendeley, or other services to help keep all of your information together in one place.



To get started, search for "BrowZine" in the Apple App Store and download BrowZine to your device for free. When initially launching BrowZine, select Penn State from the drop down list. Then, enter your Penn State Access Account information to access the library's content in BrowZine. To learn more, please see the short video at: <http://thirdiron.com/browzine/video/>.

## Announcing Fall 2013 Undergraduate Program Coordinator Meeting Schedule

The Fall 2013 Program Coordinator Meetings have been scheduled on the following days at **1:30-3:00 PM** in Room 118 ASI:

- ◆ Monday, **September 30**
- ◆ Tuesday, **October 29**
- ◆ Monday, **November 25**
- ◆ Thursday, **December 19**

Meeting notices with tentative agenda items will be emailed to Program Coordinators before each meeting. We welcome your input and ideas for agenda items, so please feel free to contact us at any time to add an item for discussion.

Spiro Stefanou	AG BM and 2 AGB
John Ewing	AEE and AG SC
Robert Mikesell	ANSC
Megan Marshall	B E
Jude Liu	BRS
Leland Glenna	CED
Rob Shannon	E R M
Stephanie Doores	FD SC
Ellen Manno	FOREM and W F S
Pamela Hankey	IID
Dan Stearns	LSCPE
Dennis Decoteau	PLANT
Jack Vanden Heuvel	TOX
Andrew Mc Nitt	TURF
Les Griel	VB SC



## Backpack to Briefcase



### Center for Experiential Learning and Career Services

Are your students seeking advice on career planning including networking, building a resume, interview skills, and much more? If so the [Center](#) works directly with your students for individualized assistance in these areas. Additionally, the Center will customize workshops and presentation for your clubs or organizations for your exact professional development needs.

For more information please contact Dr. Richard Rateau [rjr20@psu.edu](mailto:rjr20@psu.edu), 110 Ag. Administration Building, 865-7522.

### 2013 Ag Career Day — Save the Date!



The College of Agricultural Sciences will hold its annual career day on **Tuesday, October 22, 2013 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM** at the Bryce Jordan Center.

Companies have been directed to visit the College of Agricultural Sciences Business and Industry web site, <http://agsci.psu.edu/business/recruitment>. We still have plenty of room and need more companies to participate. Registration and more information about the event is available online at the Ag Career Day cVent site: <http://agsci.psu.edu/students/opportunities/ag-career-day>

In order to provide opportunities for all of our students, we request that you encourage industries and organizations that you work with to participate in Ag Career Day. You may direct them to the web site or contact [Richard Rateau](#) if you would like Ag Career Day information sent to specific industries.

### Fall 2013 Student Recruitment and Enrollment Committee (SREC)

The Student Recruitment and Enrollment Committee (SREC) meetings have been scheduled on the following dates at **8:30-10:00 AM**:

- ◆ Thursday, September 19, 2013 - 342 Food Science Building
- ◆ Thursday, October 17, 2013 - 342 Food Science Building
- ◆ Thursday, November 21, 2013 - 443 Food Science Building

## 2013 Fall Open House—Save the Date

The annual Open House for College of Agricultural Sciences will be held **Monday, October 14, 2013**. Prospects interested will be able to register online at the College web site. Each major will be showcased that day including select facility tours. More details in September issue of *Undergrad Ed Updates*.

## College of Agricultural Sciences Instruction & Curricular Affairs Committee Calendar 2013-2014

Proposals Due to College Administrator in CSCS system**	Send to ACUE Deans (if necessary) Post in ANGEL & notify committee for review	College Curricular Affairs Committee Meeting Dates and Location	Revisions Due back in CSCS and begin final approval process	*Proposals due to Faculty Senate	*Curriculum Report Publication Date (on Blue Sheets for 30 days)	*Senate Committee Curricular Affairs (SCCA) all day meeting
<i>Review old business from SP 3 and any new proposals received by Monday, July 1, 2013</i>	July 5, 8	<b>Thurs. July 18, 2013</b> 1:30 -3:00 p.m. 244 Ag Eng. Bldg.	July 29, 2013	<b>Aug. 5, 2013</b>	<i>for the Aug. 20, 2013 Issue</i>	Sept. 10, 2013
<b>Friday August 9, 2013</b>	Aug. 12, 13	<b>Thurs. Aug. 22, 2013</b> 1:30 -3:00 p.m. 244 Ag Eng. Bldg.	Sept. 6, 2013	<b>Sept. 20, 2013</b>	<i>for the Oct. 8, 2013 Issue</i>	Oct. 22, 2013
<b>Friday September 20, 2013</b>	Sept. 23, 24	<b>Thurs. Oct. 3, 2013</b> 1:30 -3:00 p.m. 244 Ag Eng. Bldg.	Oct. 18, 2013	<b>Nov. 1, 2013</b>	<i>for the Nov. 19, 2013 Issue</i>	Dec. 10, 2013
<b>Friday Nov. 1, 2013</b>	Nov. 4, 5	<b>Thurs. Nov. 14, 2013</b> 1:30 -3:00 p.m. 244 Ag Eng. Bldg.	Dec. 6, 2013	<b>Dec. 20, 2013</b>	<i>for the Jan. 14, 2014 Issue</i>	Jan. 28, 2014
<b>Friday Dec. 13, 2013</b>	Dec. 16, 17	<b>Thurs. Jan. 9, 2014</b> 1:30 -3:00 p.m. 244 Ag Eng. Bldg.	Jan. 24, 2014	<b>Feb. 7, 2014</b>	<i>for the Feb. 25, 2014 Issue</i>	March 18, 2014
<b>Friday Feb. 7, 2014</b>	Feb. 10, 11	<b>Thurs. Feb. 27, 2014</b> 1:30 -3:00 p.m. 244 Ag Engr. Bldg.	March 7, 2014	<b>Mar. 26, 2014</b>	<i>for the April 8, 2014 Issue</i>	April 29, 2014

\* Dates posted by Faculty Senate.

\*\*Course proposals need to be completely through all CSCS consultation and ready to be sent to the college administrator (K. Pletcher) by this date to be reviewed at the college committee meeting. **Hard Copies are not required for the Course Proposals submitted via CSCS.**

Once a course proposal has passed through the College's Instruction and Curricular Affairs Committee review process and been approved for submission to the Faculty Senate, the appropriate hard copies will be made by the college administrator and sent to the Senate for their review process. **A Hard Copy original and a PDF copy is required for all Program Proposals**—since they are NOT submitted via CSCS yet.

Senate Newsletters are posted to their website at: [http://www.senate.psu.edu/senate\\_activity/newsletters.htm](http://www.senate.psu.edu/senate_activity/newsletters.htm)



Dear Colleagues,

Changes have been made to the following academic administrative policies and procedures as a result of deliberations in the Administrative Council on Undergraduate Education in Spring and Summer 2013:

- **Changes to AAPP A-2, Advanced Standing**, to implement revisions to Senate Policies 02-50, 06-30, 06-57, and 06-70 dealing with provisional students and advanced standing admission.
- **Changes to AAPP C-1, Developing the Course Offering**, to incorporate new parameters to be used for developing the course offering schedule.
- **Changes to AAPP C-2, Registration**, to incorporate decisions by the Senate Committee on Admissions, Records, Scheduling and Student Aid to grant priority registration to veterans and to require re-application for priority registration privileges for specific student cohorts every five years.
- **Changes to AAPP C-2, Registration**, to clarify procedures for multiple campus registrations.
- **Changes to AAPP E-2 and E-5 through E-10** to implement the revisions to Senate Policies 42-92, 42-94, and 42-96 dealing with Advanced Placement, the College-Level Examination Program, and International Baccalaureate Credit Program.
- **Changes to AAPP G-10, Grade Mediation and Adjudication**, to make the deadline for the submission of the adjudication form clearer (changed from "within five weeks of the beginning of the semester immediately following the semester in which the grade was received" to "no later than ten weeks following the end date of the course (as it appears in the schedule of courses)."
- **Changes to AAPP J-1, Withdrawal**, to provide clarification on the parameters for military duty withdrawal.

Please share this information as appropriate within your respective areas of the university.

Thank you,

Yvonne Gaudelius  
Associate Vice President & Senior Associate Dean  
Office of Undergraduate Education

## Agriculture Future of America — Opportunity to Build Leadership Skills



Encourage full-time undergraduates in the College of Agricultural Sciences to apply for **corporate sponsorship** to attend the Agriculture Future of America (AFA) Leaders Conference **November 7-10, 2013**, in Kansas City, Missouri.

The **corporate sponsorship** includes conference registration, lodging and all meals. The Office for Undergraduate Education will offer a limited number of travel grants to attend the conference for anyone who receives a corporate sponsor.

The AFA Leaders Conference provides support for college men and women who are preparing for careers in agriculture-related fields, while at the same time supporting the development of human capital for the agriculture and food industry. Leaders Conference bridges the gap between academic, leadership and work experiences while helping students understand the impact of their decisions. The conference also assists students in developing personal and professional skills necessary for lifelong success and provides a forum for updates and discussions on industry trends. Students are given the opportunity to network with peers and leaders in the agriculture industry as well

as increase their excitement about the future of agriculture by creating awareness about career opportunities in agriculture.

Feedback from our program participants from last year was extremely positive!

For additional information and application procedures refer to the Agriculture Future of America website (<http://www.agfuture.org/s/1342/index.aspx?sid=1342&gid=1&pgid=468>) and select the Leaders Conference Tab.

**Deadline to apply (directly at AFA website) is September 6.** Applicants will be notified by AFA by September 20. If selected to receive a corporate sponsorship you are encouraged to apply to the Office for Undergraduate Education for a travel grant to attend.

Procedure to apply for travel grant is as follows: Submit cover letter stating interest in attending AFA and what you hope to gain with resume to **Richard J. Rateau, 110 Ag Administration Building, by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 24, 2013.**

## AgChoice Scholars Program

Please also encourage full-time undergraduates in the College of Agricultural Sciences to apply for the AgChoice Scholars program.

Penn State students...get some real world experience in agribusiness before you graduate!

AgChoice Farm Credit is pleased to continue the AgChoice Scholars program, a unique experiential learning opportunity for a select group of Penn State students. This two-year program gives students first-hand experience working with Pennsylvania's largest agricultural lender and a glimpse into the agricultural lending industry.

For additional information and application procedures refer to the AgChoice Scholars program (<http://www.agchoice.com/about/agchoice-scholars>).



Feedback from our program participants from last year was extremely positive!

**Deadline to apply is September 20, 2013** (directly at AgChoice web site).



## Announcing the new Intercollege Minor in Entrepreneurship and Innovation (ENTI)

The ENTI minor helps students to become innovation leaders, develop entrepreneurial mindsets, and be agents of positive change. The world needs new ways to deliver products and services to meet market needs and address significant problems in all disciplines including the arts, business, engineering, science, agriculture, healthcare, and education. The interdisciplinary ENTI minor is open to students in all majors who are interested in creating a new product or service to meet a need or creating their own jobs.

The ENTI courses develop skills in problem solving, opportunity recognition, self-efficacy (belief in one's ability to succeed), leadership, communication, and learning from failure. Penn State's majors prepare students with skills and knowledge for a variety of employment options or graduate school. The ENTI minor broadens students' education and Penn State experiences, enabling them to see challenges as opportunities and thrive in a job, class or activity that includes unknowns, deadlines and ambiguities.

The ENTI minor has two parts: 9 credits of required core courses (in blue), and 9-10 credits defined in entrepreneurship focus areas (called "clusters"). Diagram below shows the typical order of ENTI courses:



Students who are interested in the minor are encouraged to start the ENTI core course before their 4<sup>th</sup> semester, and should contact the ENTI Minor Director (Liz Kisenwether - [exk13@psu.edu](mailto:exk13@psu.edu)) or ENTI Minor Asst. Director (Brad Leve - [bl15@psu.edu](mailto:bl15@psu.edu)). Students are also encouraged to participate in local entrepreneurship and innovation organizations and events:



For more information on the ENTI minor including cluster course descriptions, visit <http://www.enti.psu.edu>



## ENTI CLUSTER OPTIONS

### Food and Bio-Innovation Cluster

**Total number of credits: 9**

The Food and Bio-Innovation (F&BI) cluster helps students develop as entrepreneurs and innovators in the agriculture and life sciences space. This cluster emphasizes new thinking to apply solutions to: bolstering food supply-quality, human/animal health, agricultural security, renewable energy, renewable materials, and biological processes.

#### Food and Bio-Innovation Cluster Director

Mark A. Gagnon      College of Agricultural Sciences      mag199@psu.edu

### New Media Cluster

**Total number of credits: 9**

The New Media Cluster prepares students to capitalize on opportunities, and meet challenges in the creation and distribution news, entertainment and information. The internet and digital technologies have transformed the world of media, but the same technological innovations that make it easier to start a media enterprise have introduced a host of editorial, globalization, business and moral complexities. Students who complete this cluster gain expertise and working knowledge in: new media production and distribution, media business models and management, new media technologies and law and media ethics.

#### New Media Cluster Director:

Anne Hoag      College of Communications      amh13@psu.edu

### New Ventures Cluster

**Total number of credits: 9 or 10**

The New Ventures Cluster is designed to help students develop the skills and ways of thinking required to create, develop, innovate and manage entrepreneurial companies. A successful start-up venture requires a wide range of managerial skills not usually demanded in one person within a larger organization, such as: acquiring and balancing limited resources, changing direction quickly, building a coherent team, managing intellectual property and creating new markets.

#### New Ventures Cluster Director:

Brad Leve      Smeal College of Business      jbl15@psu.edu

### Social Entrepreneurship Cluster

**Total number of credits: 9.5**

The Social Entrepreneurship Cluster prepares students to effect sustainable and scalable social impact within marginalized communities in the United States and abroad. Classes are based in the Humanitarian Engineering and Social Entrepreneurship (HESE) program. The goal is to develop and deliver solutions that are technologically appropriate, environmentally benign, socially acceptable and economically sustainable.

#### Social Entrepreneurship Cluster Director:

Khanjan Mehta      College of Engineering      khanjan@enr.psu.edu

### Technology Based Entrepreneurship Cluster

**Total number of credits: 9**

The Technology Based Entrepreneurship Cluster helps students develop entrepreneurial and intrapreneurial mind-sets for technology-based products and businesses. This cluster uses most of the courses from the Engineering Entrepreneurship (E-SHIP) Minor, the predecessor to the ENTI Minor. Students develop unique skills to thrive in multi-disciplinary teams—like the ones seen in industry - and encourages start-up technology-based companies. These cluster courses support development of consumer-based products and business-to-business products.

#### Technology based Entrepreneurship Cluster Director:

Philip G. Boyer      College of Engineering      pboyer@enr.psu.edu

For more information on the ENTI minor including cluster course descriptions, visit <http://www.enti.psu.edu>

## 2013 College of Ag Sciences Teaching and Advising Recognition and Awards

To recognize and promote excellence in teaching and advising, we invite you to nominate faculty (tenured, tenure-track, and instructors) from your units for our three college-wide award programs: The *Community of Teaching Excellence Award* (est. 2000), the *NACTA Teaching Award of Merit* (reinstated in 2007) the *Paul R. and Joan M. Shellenberger Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching* (est. 2010), and new this year, *The Community of Advising Excellence Award* (est. 2013).

Nominations and applications are based on accomplishments during the past academic year (comprising the summer, fall, and spring semesters of 2012-13) in formal undergraduate and graduate instruction, including resident instruction and online instruction.

The *Community of Teaching Excellence Award* is offered solely through the college and can have multiple recipients on any given year. This recognition can also be received by an individual for multiple years, potentially leading to the induction of the individ-

ual into the Academy of Teaching Excellence.

The *NACTA Teaching Award of Merit* is awarded by the college to one individual each year as part of our institutional membership in the NACTA Association. In an attempt to properly recognize and encourage excellence in teaching in faculty early in their careers, tenure-track faculty and instructors with less than five (5) years of teaching experience at Penn State will be considered for the *NACTA Teaching Award of Merit*.

The *Paul R. and Joan M. Shellenberger Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching* is awarded by the college to one individual for one academic year. This award is to honor and recognize a full-time instructor who is an outstanding teacher contributing significantly to undergraduate education in the College of Agricultural Sciences. Consideration for this award shall be given to all full-time instructors with teaching appointments (non-tenure and not on tenure track) in the College of Agricultural Sciences.

New this year—**The Community of Advising Excellence Award**. The Alumni Society for the College already awards an outstanding adviser each year and that award will continue. However, the College will now also accept nominations for excellence in advising similar to the teaching excellence award. Criteria for the award will parallel that of the teaching award and individuals who receive the award three years will be inducted into the Academy of Advising Excellence.

Complete nomination packets for these teaching and advising awards are available from your Unit Leader and must be submitted to Denise Connelly, 101 Ag Administration Bldg. by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 18, 2013**.

Please feel free to contact Tracy Hoover ([tsh102@psu.edu](mailto:tsh102@psu.edu); or 865-7521) if you have any questions. All programs carry financial award and recognition.

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## FALL 2013 COLLEGE & ACADEMIC CALENDAR

August 12 - September 9	Intent to Graduate Activation Period
September 2	Labor Day Holiday - No classes
Sept. 30—October 20	Final Exam Conflict Filing Period
October 4-6	Parents & Families Weekend
November 15	Late Drop Deadline
November 24 - 30	Thanksgiving Holiday - No classes
December 13	Classes End
December 14 - 15	Study Days
December 16-20	Final Exams
December 21	Commencement