THE LATEST NEWS FROM PITT PUBLIC HEALTH

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UPDATED! STUDENT TIP OF THE WEEK: PITT PUBLIC HEALTH ALUMNI MENTORING

Did you know that our alumni have generously volunteered to serve as mentors to students? Request a resume review, discuss strategies for networking, or simply conduct an informational interview with them about their career path. We recommend that you select a mentor whose profession most closely matches your own career goals, and that you talk to Joan Anson, director of career services, before getting started. See the list of mentors

UPDATED! TEACHING TIP OF THE WEEK: THE IMPACT CULTURE HAS ON ACADEMIC INTEGRITY UNDERSTANDING

An article by Marian Kisch published in International Educator discusses the wide variety of challenges and offers tips and solutions to assist faculty in the classroom, including:

- be proactive in communicating with international students
- be conscious of topics that presume an understanding of American history, politics, and systems
- clarify class policy expectations
- provide examples of successful coursework
- recognize that language proficiency is not usually the barrier to academic success

Learn more at next week’s Professional Development Workshop: Understanding the Impact Culture has on Academics, Academic Integrity, and Plagiarism.

NEW! FACULTY: JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF STUDENT AWARDS AND THE SIXTY-SIXTH CONVOCATION

Help us celebrate the achievements of our 2015-16 graduates with these two annual events. ►Read more

NEW! PROVOST’S DIVERSITY INSTITUTE FOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT 2016

Check out this newly announced program featuring a variety of programming. Open to staff and students too. ►Read more

NEW! BCHS 2562 SEMINAR IN FAMILY PLANNING HOSTING EXHIBIT AT KIMBO ART GALLERY

Tuesday, April 19, 10 a.m. (opening reception) through April 21, C.M. Kimbo Art Gallery, William Pitt Union first floor
Visit this exhibit hosted by our students, entitled “Beyond the Rhetoric: Family Planning in Their Own Words.”

NEW! ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN PUBLIC HEALTH COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR WOMEN’S SHELTER

Through April 22
Donate common toiletry items and feminine products to benefit the Women's Center and Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh. Drop items off to the donation box in 309A Parran. ►Contact AWPH officers with questions.

NEW! DEAN’S DAY ORAL PRESENTATION AND AWARDS CEREMONY

Thanks to all of the students that presented and the faculty that judged during Dean’s Day 2016. Check out pictures from the event on Flickr and make sure to attend selected oral presentations and the awards ceremony on Friday, April 15. Followed by a school-wide celebration.

NEW! REQUEST FOR PILOT PROJECTS - PITTSBURGH CENTER FOR KIDNEY RESEARCH

May 16 deadline
Pitt’s O’Brien Kidney Research Core Center will support three new projects for up to two years at $30,000/year beginning August 1. Intended for newly independent investigators without current or previous R01 or VA Merit Review funding, established investigators with limited previous kidney-related research, or established renal investigators proposing innovative ideas that represent a clear departure from ongoing research directions. Contact Thomas Kleyman, MD or Ora Weisz, PhD, for full information.

UPDATES FROM CAREER SERVICES

- This week in Pitt Bridges: ►Login and click on the Jobs tab to see our newest postings, including a malaria research associate in Central America for the Clinton
Health Access Initiative, and epidemiologist for the PA Department of Health, and a program evaluator for the Texas Department of State Health Services.

- **Need to practice interviewing?** April is a great month to set up a mock interview with Career Services! ► [Schedule an appointment](https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/home/life/whats-happening/weekly-update) on Pitt Bridges.

**COMING UP THIS WEEK**

- **Graduation Central** – if you’re a student graduating this term or a faculty member looking for regalia to participate in Pitt Public Health’s Convocation, [attend Graduation Central](https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/home/life/whats-happening/weekly-update) on April 12 or 13
- **PATH Leads Innovation to Save Lives Lecture**
- **Trivia Night** with Student Government Association
- **Understanding the Impact Culture has on Academics, Academic Integrity, and Plagiarism**, Our final teaching-focused Professional Development Workshop of the term
- **Infectious Disease Outbreak Training** with the Student Public Health Epidemic Response Effort (SPHERE)
- **Dean’s Day Oral Presentations and Awards Ceremony**

See complete list of events at [publichealth.pitt.edu/calendar](https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/calendar)

**ARE YOU GRADUATING THIS YEAR?**

- The [Exit Survey](https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/home/life/whats-happening/weekly-update) is now open for April graduates.
- **Upcoming graduation deadlines:** The final deadline to apply for April graduation has passed. Apply for June graduation by April 21 to avoid late fee. Apply for August graduation by May 24 to avoid late fee.
- If you haven’t [announced your dissertation defense](https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/home/life/whats-happening/weekly-update) yet, make sure to do so ASAP.
- RSVP for Convocation and head to [Grad Central](https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/home/life/whats-happening/weekly-update) next week for regalia!