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IBGP News and Events

University Hours for Summer 2012 Begin Today (June 11)

The IBGP office will observe the official university summer hours of 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. effective Monday, June 11. Regular hours of 8 a.m.-5 p.m. will resume on Monday, August 20.

Welcome Incoming IBGP Class of 2012!

We will welcome part of the incoming IBGP class of 2012 next week at a mini-orientation on Friday, June 15. We are excited to invite this bright class to OSU. Some highlights of the group include:

- Average undergraduate GPA = 3.53,
- Average GRE scores = 74% (verbal), 71% (quantitative), and 55% (analytical writing)
- Seven of the students are enrolled in the Medical Scientist Training Program. Their average overall MCAT score= 33.7
- Five students are from underrepresented backgrounds (17%)
• 19 are from out of state (63%)

Save the date for the Orientation and Welcome Picnic Lunch on Tuesday, August 21st where we will welcome the rest of the 30 students.

Updated IBGP Curriculum on Website

The IBGP website has now been updated with the required course information in semesters. Along with the semester conversion the required IBGP curriculum has changed. Please note that students entering the program in 2011 or earlier will continue on the old curriculum. When looking at the website, make sure you are looking at the correct information.

Click here to see the required courses and curriculum planning information.

Click here to see information about the semester conversion.

Last Day to Add a Course: Friday, June 22

This is a reminder to all students that the last day to add a course to your summer schedule online is Friday, June 22. After this, special forms will have to be completed with various signatures. Please check your schedules on Buckeyelink to ensure that you are signed up for all of the necessary and correct courses to avoid any extra paperwork or late fees.

Graduate School Registration Forms and Important Information

You can find Graduate School registration forms at: http://www.gradsch.ohio-state.edu/forms-guidelines-and-publications.html

This site includes course enrollment forms, petition to late add/drop forms, information on registration/fee deadlines, etc. Please familiarize yourself with this information; students are responsible for registering for their graduate courses appropriately. The Graduate School monitors enrollment for all graduate students at Ohio State and is the "clearinghouse" for petitions, add/drops, minors, transcript designation, graduation, etc. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kelli Kaiser or Amy Lahmers in the IBGP office for assistance.

With the transition to semester please note the information regarding the required amount of credit hours in semesters taken from the Graduate School Handbook.

Graduate Associates

Graduate associates holding 50 percent or greater appointments must register for at least eight credit hours per semester, except in summer session, when the minimum is four. GAs holding a 25 percent appointment must register for at least four credit hours per semester or two credits in summer session. Post-candidacy doctoral students must register for at least three credit hours each semester or summer session an appointment is held. These registration requirements can include research hours.
Fellows and Trainees
Students holding the titles Graduate Fellow or Graduate Trainee, regardless of the source of the funds, must register for a minimum of 12 credit hours each semester the appointment is held except in summer session when the minimum is six. Graduate Fellows or Graduate Trainees who are post-candidacy doctoral students must register for at least three credit hours per semester or summer session an appointment is held. These registration requirements can include research hours.

***Post-candidacy doctoral students. All post-candidacy doctoral students enrolled for summer session 2012 need to enroll in only a minimum of 2 credit hours in order to be considered full-time and/or to meet the enrollment requirement for summer graduation. The minimum credit hour requirement for post-candidacy students will return to 3 credit hours beginning autumn semester 2012.***

Semester Conversion Information on IBGP Website

There is now a new section under the current students tab on the IBGP website that outlines some important information concerning semesters. Check the newsletter and the website often for more information and contact the IBGP office if you have any additional questions. Visit the semester conversion section of the website here.

IBGP 7972- Senior Seminar Requirement

IBGP 7972, Senior Student Seminar, is a required course for all IBGP students. This course has very limited enrollment and should only be taken by students planning to graduating that semester. If you need to take this course in Autumn semester 2012, please contact the IBGP office to enroll. If you are planning on taking the course in Spring 2013, contact the IBGP office to be placed on the priority list.

8999 Registration

This is reminder for students registering for IBGP 8999 to register under IBGP, not through other departments. IBGP is the graduate program and IBGP faculty are doing the teaching, therefore students’ registration should correspond with this. Please contact the IBGP office if you have any questions.

IBGP Students Win Fellowships

Congratulations to Nima Milani-Nejad (advisor: Dr. Paul Janssen) and Christopher Jones (advisor: Dr. Dan Wozniak) who recently were awarded two-year American Heart Association Fellowships!

Other News and Events
NIH National Graduate Student Research Conference Seeking Candidates

The NIH is actively recruiting candidates to participate in the 7th NIH National Graduate Student Research Conference, to be held October 9-10, 2012 in Bethesda, Maryland. The purpose of this event is to recruit outstanding young scientists to postdoctoral positions at the NIH. This year the Conference will be held in conjunction with the NIH Research Festival, which highlights recent significant biomedical advances made at the NIH, and Conference participants will have the opportunity to attend Research Festival Sessions.

To be eligible students must be enrolled in a PhD program in the U.S. and on schedule to complete their PhD degree requirements between March 2012 and October 2013. The deadline for application is June 15, 2012. Further details of the Conference and the link to the online application can be found at: 2012 National Graduate Student Research Conference

If you have questions or require more information, you may contact Sharon Milgrams at milgrams@od.nih.gov.

New Course: Molecular Virology and Pathogenesis of Viruses

See the attached poster concerning a new molecular virology class for fall semester. This classes folds in 3 previous virology graduate courses and now will be offered annually in Fall Semester.

IBGP Faculty Invited to MSTP Faculty Forum - New Date: June 27

This Faculty Forum will be a discussion of MSTP Medical School Education, and will take place on June 27th at 1:00 PM in 105 BRT. In addition to presenting MSTP Medical School Education, they will also be introducing the incoming MSTP students. (This event has been rescheduled from May 23 to June 27.)

Life Sciences Network Graduate Student Forum

The newly formed Life Sciences Network will be holding two forums for graduate students. The agenda includes:

1. Introduction: The purpose of Life Sciences Network
2. The Life Sciences Network web portal: Demonstration
3. Results of the Life Sciences Network student survey and action plans for their input
4. Q and A

These forums will be held on Monday, June 11 from 1:30-2:30 in BRT 130 and on Wednesday, June 13 from 1:00-2:00 in 070 Science and Engineering Library. Any questions can be directed to lsn@osu.edu or 614-247-8962
Fun Fact
Alocatraz proves escapable for three men

On June 11, 1962, three men successfully escaped from Alcatraz and were never seen again. Over the years, 36 inmates (in 14 separate attempts) tried to escape. Find out how these 3 were successful by reading more here. This event was later made into a movie titled Escape from Alcatraz featuring Clint Eastwood.