

Fall 2012 Important Dates

October

15- End of course withdrawal period. Last day to exercise repeat/delete option.

24 - Spring 2012 registration begins. Check RAMweb for your designated time.

November

19 - Fall recess begins; no classes next week.

24 - 25 - Thanksgiving Holiday; University closed.

December

7- last day to process a University Withdrawal.

10 - 14 - Final Exams.

14- 15 - Commencement Ceremonies.

24-26- Winter holiday; University Closed.

To learn more about what faculty, staff, and students in the Department of Biology are up to, check out our website: <http://www.biology.colostate.edu/>.

New this month:



THE ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTER NOW HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE!

Like us on Facebook and get updates about advising, policy changes, registration, and more!

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Colorado-State-Biology-Academic-Support-Center/291242517619899>

RENOVATIONS TO THE A/Z LOBBY

If you have been inside the east wing of A/Z, you've noticed some BIG changes taking place. This summer, Dr. Joe Von Fischer headed up a project to make the lobby outside of the Biology Main Office more student friendly. Changes include new spaces for studying, flat screen televisions displaying announcements, and a wall that students can write on with white board markers. Please enjoy these spaces as they were created with YOU in mind!



The course withdrawal deadline is approaching on October 15th!

If you are thinking about withdrawing from a course, there are some important things to keep in mind. By withdrawing from a course, you will earn a permanent "W" as your grade for the course. This differs from dropping a course early in the semester where the course disappears from your transcript completely. If you want to withdraw from a course, make sure you will have at least 12 credits on your schedule to still be a full-time student. If withdrawing will put you below 12 credits, call Student Financial Services at: (970) 491-6321 to see what may happen to your Financial aid. If you want to discuss withdrawing with an Academic Support Coordinator, feel free to make an appointment online at:
<http://www.biology.colostate.edu/undergraduates/schedule-an-appointment/>

SPRING 2012 REGISTRATION BEGINS SOON!

Just when you'd started getting in the swing of the Fall 2012 semester, it's time to start thinking about Spring courses. Here are a few reminders about Spring registration from the Biology Academic Support Coordinators:

1. In the Biology Department, we do not assign advising codes to students unless *you are on ACADEMIC PROBATION* or, *it is your first time registering for courses at CSU*. Therefore, if you are not in one of those two categories, you can register on your scheduled date and time without having to see an Academic Support Coordinator.
2. Your registration date and time is listed on your RamWeb account. Please check it so you do not register late.
3. If you would like to see an Academic Support Coordinator before you register, make your appointment NOW. We are already booked until mid-October.

FREE PRACTICE GRE, MCAT, & LSAT TO BE HELD ON CAMPUS!

Are you preparing to take a graduate school entrance exam and want more practice? You can take a **FREE** practice GRE, LSAT, or MCAT exam on campus this month!

ON-CAMPUS EXAM: October 13 at 10 AM in the Engineering Building at CSU

Or, students can take a practice test from anywhere they have internet access in the live, online classroom, Classroom Anywhere (more information at www.kaptest.com/practice). Each test will be proctored like an actual exam. The exams will be scored and results will be available immediately following the exam, with comprehensive feedback on your individual performance. PLEASE BRING A LAPTOP OR A SMARTPHONE WITH YOU. After the test, one of our expert instructors will give a short workshop on test taking strategies and will answer any questions you have.

Register at: <http://bit.ly/CSUFORTCOLLINS-NPT-2012>

CLUB INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Join the Biology Club! Interested in biology but not sure where your degree will take you? Let the Biology Club help you out! We are a student-run club focused on providing career ideas for students majoring in biological sciences, or who are just interested in learning some cool things about the world around us. We have monthly meetings with speakers from different biological fields, as well as field trips and community service opportunities. Please contact Claire at willis.c7@q.com with any questions. **We are also looking for some new officers**, so let her know if that sounds like something you'd be interested in! To stay up-to-date with the club's happenings, visit our website at <http://rydberg.biology.colostate.edu/bioclub/>. We hope to see you at our next meeting!



Join the Zoology Club! Zoology Club is for those passionate about animals of any major (not just Zoology)! We meet every other week and host guest speakers ranging from zookeepers to professors here at CSU. We also provide an average of 3 trips a semester. Recent trips have included camping at an Emu Ranch, and behind the scenes tours at Cheyenne Mountain Zoo and the Downtown Aquarium in Denver! With summer internships on the way we will also be providing resources for those looking to get involved in research, wildlife, zoos, aquariums, etc! To be part of our mailing list, which will allow you to get updates on meetings and trips please contact us at csuzoologyclub@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you!

Join the Gillette Entomology Club! The Gillette Entomology Club (GEC) is a great opportunity to learn more about some of the most common organisms in the world. There are over a million known species of insects and about sixty thousand arachnid species. The GEC is devoted to the challenge of teaching its members and the community. We hold monthly meetings that often feature guest speakers from throughout the profession, and we also organize outreach events. Our mission is partly accomplished through the bug zoo in the Plant Sciences building that houses many local and exotic species of arthropods. GEC is also getting its first bee hives up and running soon. If you have any interest in helping us care for our bugs, understanding more about them, or helping us spread knowledge of them to our community, please consider the GEC. To join the mailing list, please email Kyle Conrad at krcon@rams.colostate.edu, and also search "GEC" on Facebook to join our group.



Advising Tip of the Month:

Remember that emails are not the same thing as text messages. When emailing faculty and staff, be sure to include an appropriate greeting (Dear, Hello, etc.), a closing and signature (Sincerely, Thank you, Best), and a subject line. Also, you should always include your CSU ID number in the email body.

HEALTH PROFESSIONS HAPPENINGS

Upcoming Opportunities for Health Professions Students:

Would you like to get to know other health professions students? The Health Professions Advisors invite Pre Health Club members to participate in Gleaning Day at Grant Family Farms for Food bank for Larimer County from 1:00 to approx. 4:00pm on Sunday October 14.

Gleaning volunteers have the opportunity to fill the Food Bank trucks with freshly harvested food for fellow Larimer County residents who need a helping hand in these tough economic times. Staff at the farm will be able to show you exactly what it is you need to do to properly harvest the variety of crops we will be picking. Please come prepared with appropriate work clothes for the any weather. Beverages will be available. Email linda.stoddard@colostate.edu if you are interested in volunteering.

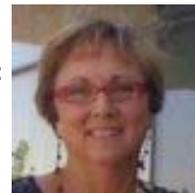


To schedule an appointment with a Health Professions Advisor call the Center for Advising and Student Achievement (CASA) at 970-491-7095. For more information on Health Professions Advising visit <http://hp.casa.colostate.edu/>.

If you are interested in health professions, we encourage you to sign up for the health professions electronic mailing list (at <http://hp.casa.colostate.edu/hpmailinglist.aspx>). Subscribing to this list enables you to receive email messages about Health Professions advising, workshops related to Health Professions and special events sponsored by the various Health Profession student organizations.

CAREER CONNECTIONS

Need help planning your future? **Judy Brobst**, the Career Center Liaison for the College of Natural Sciences, can assist you with all aspects of your career development! Services offered: Internships & volunteer experiences, resume development, choosing/changing majors, graduate school, on-line assessments, job search skills, etc. **To set up an appointment** contact Judy at judy.brobst@colostate.edu or 970-491-5707.



UPCOMING CAREER CENTER EVENTS AND INFORMATION

Health Careers CONNECT
10.17.12 @ 5:30 p
Get connected with employers who hire CSU students.

YOU

- Health & Wellness
- Pharmacy
- Clinical Research
- Physical Therapy
- Physician Assistance

Colorado State University www.career.colostate.edu

Are you searching for an **INTERNSHIP?**

Visit with a Career Counselor at the Career Center **TODAY!**



This October spend your time at...

FEDCONNECT
10.24.12 @ 6:00 p
LSC, Middle & West Ballrooms

Meet These Federal Agencies That Hire CSU Students:
FBI CDC National Park Service USDA & More...

