Pre-Professional Advising Newsletter

Starting Monday, February 3 -- PPA Drop In Service! For those quick questions (about 10 minutes), stop by the Center for Career Opportunities (Young Hall room 132) Monday - Friday between 11am-1pm to see a PPA advisor.

Need to see us for a more involved matter? Schedule an appointment with a Pre-Professional advisor through BoilerConnect.

Spring Pre-Professional Club Callouts

Pre-OT/PT Club: Tuesday, January 21. 7pm. UNIV 019. Spring semester meetings will take place on Tuesdays at 7pm in UNIV 019. Connect with the club on Instagram (purdueotpt), Facebook, and Boilerlink.

American Medical Student Association: Wednesday, January 22. 7pm-8pm. WTHR 104.

Pre-Law Society: Monday, January 27. 6pm-7pm. KRAN G020.

Pre-Dentistry Club: Tuesday, January 28. 6pm-7pm. WALC 1132.

Pre-Optometry Club: Wednesday, January 29. 6:30pm. ARMS 1028.

Upcoming Events
- January 22 & 29: The Road to Zero: A Strategic Approach to Student Loan Repayment Webinar hosted by AccessLex Institute. Visit the website for more information and to register.
- January 28: Your Public Service Loan Forgiveness Action Plan Webinar hosted by AccessLex Institute. Visit the website for more information and to register.
- January 30: Choose DO Medical School Virtual Expo. Meet with colleges of osteopathic medicine to learn about becoming a physician. 10am-8pm Eastern.
- February 5: Summer Health Professions Education Program application deadline. Learn more at the YouTube channel.
- February 20: AAMC Virtual Medical School Fair. 11am-8pm ET. Meet representatives from over 70 medical schools and participate in sessions on making the most of a gap year, financing your medical education, and application process and resources.
- February 23: Horseshoe Farm Fellows Fellowship application deadline. Fellows work with patients and physicians, children in schools, and seniors in community centers.
- February 8: Indiana University Maurer School of Law Diversity Law Day. To learn more or apply, visit the website. Bloomington, IN. 9am-3pm Eastern.
- February 28: 8th Annual Wisconsin Statewide Pre-Law Diversity Conference and Law Fair. Free event for all pre-law students. Register online. Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, WI. 9am-2:30pm CST.
- March 2: Purdue University Health Programs Expo. Meet with representatives from health professions schools to learn more about their programs. Purdue Memorial Union North & South Ballrooms. 2pm-5pm.
- March 6: Indiana CLEO application deadline. See information below.
Announcements

Health Programs Expo

Don’t miss your chance to talk to university healthcare program representatives at this year’s Health Programs Expo on Monday, March 2 from 2-5pm in the Purdue Memorial Union North and South Ballroom. Dress is casual, no need for a resume, and stay as long as you can. All pre-health students, first-year through senior, should attend this important informational event.

- Wonder if your GPA is competitive for professional school?
- Not sure what score you should aim for on your aptitude test?
- Unsure if you have enough clinical hours, shadowing or volunteering?
- Should you repeat that prerequisite class?
- Still deciding where you should apply or what to look for in programs?
- Curious about other health care fields?

Ask an admissions representative directly!

- Program representatives are eager to talk with you about their programs in medicine, dentistry, physician assistant, physical and occupational therapy, optometry, veterinary medicine, podiatric medicine, chiropractic medicine, health care administration, public health, nursing, pharmacy, nutrition & dietetics, and more! For the most recent list of participating programs, visit the PPA website. Check back often, as the list is updated as programs register.

2020 Letter of Recommendation Service

Pre-Professional Advising offers a letter service for applicants to medical or dental school. We collect recommendation letters and submit a letter packet to the application service. We maintain the letters on file for five years should you need to reapply. If you are applying to medical or dental school in summer of 2020 to begin a program in fall 2021, now is the time
to sign up for the letter service. To sign up, complete the 2020 Pre-Professional Advising Letter Service Survey. Once you have completed the survey, we will send you a confirmation email that includes a handout to give to your letter writers.

If you are an applicant to another health field such as physician assistant, physical therapy, occupational therapy, podiatry, optometry, etc. we cannot collect or submit letters of evaluation on your behalf. Follow the directions in your application portal to enter names of letter writers who will submit their letters directly to the portal. Pre-Professional Advising has created a handout, Requesting Letters of Evaluation, to help guide you through the process of requesting letters and a handout you can give to your letter writers, Pre-Health Letter of Evaluation Writer’s Guide. Email preprofessional@purdue.edu or schedule an appointment with us for a copy of these guides.

Spring Course Options

Looking for another spring semester course? Consider these two great options.

PHRM 49000 Pharmacy for Non-Pharmacists CRN 22674. 1 cr. Designed for students pursuing careers in healthcare, provides an introduction to pharmacy law, prescription abbreviations, and commonly prescribed medications. Wednesdays 1:30-2:20pm. Questions? Email course coordinator Alan Farkas, afarkas@purdue.edu.

ILS 49500 Information Skills for Health Professionals. First 8-weeks, 1 cr., Tues/Thurs 9:30-10:20am. A one-credit course that addresses database search techniques, citation management, differentiating between different types of research articles, and other topics germane to developing evidence-based practice. This course was designed, in part, for upper level undergraduates who are planning to go to professional school (DVM, MD, etc.) or graduate school in the health sciences.

Purdue Ambassadors

An ambassador serves as a public relations person for the Office of Admissions by leading prospective students, families, staff and alumni on
Campus tours. Ambassadors should be knowledgeable of academic programs, residence halls, and student organizations. Ambassadors may also assume clerical duties within the office. Apply online. Callouts on January 22, 6pm in WALC 3122; January 23 at 6pm in WALC 3154; and January 27 at 6pm in WALC 1132. Email Tom Bowman (bowma138@purdue.edu) or Todd Iller (tiler@purdue.edu) with questions.

**CLEO College Scholars Program**

Council on Legal Education Opportunity, Inc. (CLEO) offers pre-law programs to college students interested in a career in law. Programs include "Road to Law School" for first-year college students, "Sophomore Super Saturdays" for sophomore and junior college students, "Juniors Jumpstart the LSAT" for college juniors, and the "Pre-Law Summer Institute" a four-week residential summer program for graduating seniors or graduates. Upcoming dates and application information are at the links above.

**Indiana University Diversity Law Day**

Diversity Law Day is for college freshman and sophomores who wish to learn more about the legal field. This is an opportunity to get an inside look at what it takes to be a lawyer. Throughout the day you will have the opportunity to network with professors, current law school students, and practicing attorneys and participate in a mock class taught by an Indiana Law professor. Bloomington, IN. 9am-3pm. For more information and to register, visit the website.

**Wisconsin Statewide Pre-Law Diversity Conference and Law Fair**

This free event will be held on Friday, February 28, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Marquette University Law School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Expect a day full of activities, including a welcome from the Dean, a discussion of diversity in the legal profession, and breakout workshops for students. Lunch will be provided. Afterwards, admissions representatives from law schools around the country will be on hand to meet with students during the Law School Fair. Visit the website for more information and register online.
2020 SEO Law Fellowship program

This is a diversity pipeline program that provides a 2-week academic training program to underrepresented students that plan to matriculate into law school in Fall 2020 as well as matches them with paid internships at law firms across the country the summer before they start law school. In particular, they seek Fellows for law firms in Atlanta, Boston, Cleveland, Chicago, Dallas, and Houston (in addition to locations in NYC, DC, LA, and SF). Apply online by March 9.

Vet Up! Champions Program Accepting Applications

This program integrates face-to-face and interactive online learning to provide a 12-month structured curriculum to a cohort of 26 students each year including veterans and first or second year undergraduate students. Champions will prepare for entry into veterinary college by receiving mentorship, financial and cultural competence training, and gaining exposure to veterinary careers. To learn more and to apply, visit the website.

Vet Up! College Program Accepting Applications

This is a residential, six-week summer program at Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine for 26 educationally or economically disadvantaged undergraduate students that will prepare students to be competitive in the DVM applicant pool. The program is geared toward rising college juniors and seniors. Applications due February 3, 2020. For more information and to apply, visit the website.

Summer Opportunities

Purdue Student Legal Services Summer Practicum: Learn about and explore the different aspects of the legal system with Student Legal Services' Summer Practicum. Visit Tippecanoe County Jail, meet and observe local attorneys, visit a Big Law firm. 8 sessions (Tuesday/Thursday hours TBD). To participate, email SLS Director, Leslie Charters at lcharters@purdue.edu.
Indiana CLEO Summer Institute

The Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity (ICLEO) was established to help minorities, low-income, and the educationally disadvantaged to pursue a law degree in Indiana. The Summer Institute is held annually to introduce new ICLEO Fellows to the program. For more information and to apply, visit the website.

University of Minnesota Pre-Law Scholars Program

This program is an LSAT prep course taught by the Princeton Review that takes place at the University of Minnesota law school two days a week June through mid-August. The program is free and open to 35 students. More information and application materials are available at the website.

ASAP Program for Pre-Law Students

Achieving Success in the Application Process (ASAP) prepare underrepresented students to gain admission to and succeed in law school. The program focuses on writing the personal statement, choosing letter writers, selecting law schools, preparing for the LSAT and the application process, managing debt and avoiding common application errors. The program takes place in June and July in NY, TX, IL and CA. For more information, visit the website.

Ronald H. Brown Law School Prep Program

This summer program serves college students from historically underrepresented groups who want to pursue a career in law. The 2020 summer program takes place at St. John’s Law in Queens, NY and begins in June 2020. See the program brochure for more details. Application deadline is February 14. Apply online.

Medical College of Wisconsin Diversity Summer Health-Related Research Education Program (DSHREP): Program Dates: May 29-August 2, 2020. DSHREP is a competitive program designed to provide research opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students from backgrounds that are historically underrepresented in biomedical science. During the ten week program you will be a member of a research team,
explore career opportunities in research and health professions, have access to a mentor, attend weekly lectures, and participate in professional development sessions. For more information and to apply visit the website.

**Virginia Commonwealth University Paid Summer Programs**

VCU is offering two paid summer programs in 2020. First, the Summer Academic Enrichment Program which is six-weeks in length and targeted to juniors, seniors and post-bacc students who are preparing to apply to medical, pharmacy, and physical therapy schools. To learn more and apply, visit the website. Second, the Allied Health Career Exploration program which is two-weeks in length and targeted to high school seniors and college students who are exploring careers in medicine, nursing, clinical laboratory sciences, physical or occupational therapy, nurse anesthesia, mental health counseling, health administration, and radiation sciences. For more information and to apply visit the website.

**University of Michigan 2020 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program**

The University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center is now accepting applications for the SURF program (May 26 - first week of August 2020). For students interested in biomedical research. For more information or to apply, visit the website.

**Vanderbilt Program for LGBTQ Health Summer Internship**

This program hosts students for a 10 week, full-time internship from late May to early August 2020. The program hopes to foster the personal and professional development of future leaders in LGBTQ health and research. Application deadline is February 1, 2020 at 11:59pm CST. Apply online.

**Summer Eye Experience at the Chicago College of Optometry**

The SEE at CCO program will be held June 15, 2020 - June 17, 2020, 8:30am-4:30pm. Participants will attend workshops tailored to those interested in pursuing a future in optometry. Sessions will help students prepare their application and give a glimpse into the day of an optometry
student. Hands-on laboratories will allow students to gain basic optometric skills. Apply online by March 15.

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