Pre-Professional Advising Newsletter

New this semester -- 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.

Upcoming Events

- February 20: Indiana State University Genetic Counseling Info Session. 3:30-4:20pm. RAWL 2079.
- February 20: AAMC Virtual Medical School Fair. 11am-8pm ET. Free, online event to connect with over 75 medical schools.
- February 25: "Get Ready for Law School - Resources to Help You Succeed" webinar. 6:30pm ET. Register here.
- February 28: Governor's Fellowship application deadline. Open to Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 graduates. Fellows are paid, full-time employees who participate in the day-to-day activities of Indiana state government.
- March 1: Summer Research Opportunities Program applications due.
- March 2: Applications due for Purdue Peer Success Coach position. 12:00pm (noon).
- March 6: Drake Law School Prospective Student Open House. 11am. Des Moines, IA. RSVP by March 2.
- March 24: Naturopathic Medical College Virtual Fair. Admissions representatives, faculty and students will be online to speak with you. 10am-8pm ET.
- March 26: Food as Medicine webinar. 1-2pm EST. Sponsored by the Association of Accredited Naturopathic Medical Colleges.
- April 7: Psychology Grad School Virtual Fair. Meet psychology school representatives to learn more about graduate school. 11am-3pm Eastern.
- April 7: Physician Assistant Virtual Fair. Meet school representatives from PA programs across the U.S. 9am-9pm Eastern.
- April 23: Diversity Healthcare Virtual Fair: Diverse applicants meet Health Professions Schools Real-time. 11am-4pm Eastern.
• May 4: AMCAS application opens for applicants to MD programs. 9:30am ET. Submission opens May 28 and processed applications begin transmission to medical schools June 26.

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.

Join the Pre-Professional Advising Ambassador Team!

Pre-Professional Advising seeks volunteer Ambassadors to represent Purdue, its students and staff, and our office during the 2020-2021 academic year. Ambassadors can be from any major, any year, and any pre-health or pre-law focus. We’re looking for enthusiastic students who love talking to and meeting new people! If you’ve completed at least 1 semester at Purdue with a minimum 3.0 GPA, you can apply by 5:00pm, Monday, March 30. See the PPA website to apply.

PPA Letter 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.

University of Tennessee College of Dentistry ASDA Predental Day

This event on April 4, 2020 will provide participants with admissions information, interview tips, DAT and AADSAS panel, a hands-on workshop, discussion of hot topics in dentistry and more. Register at the website.

National Black Law Students Association Pre-Law Symposium

Join NBLSA for their 52nd Annual National Convention on Saturday, March 7, 2020 9am-5pm at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza Hotel. Participants can meet admissions officers at the law school fair, get tips on financing legal education, get advice from current law students and participate in an interactive legal rights workshop. Register at the website.

Purdue Undergraduate Research Conference

The 2020 Purdue Undergraduate Research conference highlights the scholarly work and creative endeavors undergraduate students have been engaged in through oral or poster presentations. Submissions for oral presentations due March 1. Submissions for poster presentations due March 15. Learn more at the website.

Summer Opportunities

Purdue Study Abroad - Neuroscience in Croatia
Join Professor Jason Cannon, School of Health Sciences, on this program to Croatia which will address connections between environmental and neurological health. Learn more at the website.

**Zucker School of Medicine Pipeline Program**

The program’s mission is to enhance the matriculation of underrepresented students and economically disadvantaged students to Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell. Program dates June 22, 2020- July 31, 2020. Priority consideration given to applicants who apply by March 1. To learn more, visit the website.

**University of Alabama Birmingham Clinical & Research Summer Programs**

The UAB School of Medicine offers several summer programs that provide scientific and professional preparation for students aspiring to a career in medicine or biomedical sciences. Learn more about program opportunities at the website.

**Clinical Research Position in Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Medicine**

As a clinical research assistant at the American Hip Institute in Chicago, IL, you will be responsible for maintaining an extensive surgical database as well as assisting with the formulation and writing of research studies. The position offers an opportunity to co-author a publication, exposure to clinical practice and shadowing opportunities. 13-month position, beginning spring 2020. To apply, send resume and cover letter to Dr. Domb c/o Samantha Ondrla at drdomb@americanhipinstitute.org and samantha.ondrla@americanhipinstitute.org.

**PALS Summer Programs**

The PALS Program is accepting applications to volunteer at their summer camps across the nation. PALS creates immersive experiences where young adults with Down syndrome and their peers have fun, grow as individuals, and build transformative friendships. Visit the website to apply.

**Maine Law Diversity Pipeline Program**

Applications are open for the 2020 PLUS program in Portland, Maine which begins May 27, 2020. This is a three-week intensive program targeted, but not restricted, to college students from racial and ethnic minority groups who are underrepresented in the legal profession. Students from rural communities or who are the first in the family to attend college are encouraged to apply. Application deadline March 15. Learn more at the website.
**Duke Law D.C. Summer Institute**

Apply to one of two summer sessions in which participants will attend class during the day, evening programs including a public conversation between U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Professor Neil Siegel, a career panel and session on applying to law school. [Learn more and apply at the website.]

**Fordham Summer Human Rights Institute (SHRI) and Pre-Law Institute**

The SHRI is a Certificate Program hosted by Fordham Law School provide lectures, workshops, and field trips to provide students tools they need to prepare for a career in international law and policy. [Learn more and apply at the website.]

The Pre-Law Institute

Participants earn three undergraduate credits studying the fundamentals of the US legal system. [Learn more at the website.]

**AccessLex Institute Lex Scholars Program**

Participants are provided with LSAT preparation, law school admission counseling, financial education, wellness training, and writing skills development. Applications are open now and due April 1. For more information and how to apply, [visit the website.]

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