

THE UPDATE

Official Newsletter of the Undergraduate and Graduate Programs

Science Day at the U

The 31st annual Science Day at the U, organized by the College of Science and College of Mines and Earth Sciences, was held Saturday, November 2, 2019. At this event, high school students from Utah and surrounding intermountain states participated in interactive science, math, and engineering-based workshops hosted by colleges across the university. This year's event was a great success with a total of 375 high school students and 50 parents and educators in attendance.

This was the third year MLS Faculty presented a workshop in which attendees review patient results in hematology and microbiology and perform a serological test to aid in the differential diagnosis of a patient with mononucleosis. Science Day at the U continues to be a well-organized outreach event connecting high school students and university faculty and staff with a shared passion for the sciences!

The MLS Division would like to thank the Science Day organizers for coordinating this event and looks forward to participating again next year.



Meet, Greet & Eat

The Medical Laboratory Science Division would like to invite all Pre-MLS, MLS, MDLB 1010, Post-baccalaureate, and Graduate students to our Fall semester social! This end-of-year event will be held on November 21st at 3pm at the Union building.

Please join us for bowling, pizza, and an opportunity to meet other students, faculty and staff in the MLS community at the U.

There will be also prizes for the top ten-pin bowlers! To RSVP click [here](#).



Attention: MLS Students!

The University of Utah has implemented the new Income Shared Agreement (ISA) pilot program to invest in student success. Designed to fill funding gaps, this program enables students to enroll full time so they can finish their degrees faster.

The ISA is a financial obligation in which a student receives funding for education-related expenses in exchange for paying an agreed upon percentage of income over a defined number of months.



The pilot program is available for MLS students who are within one year of graduation. If you are a junior or senior student and would like to learn more about the program and requirements click [here](#).

Summer Program for Undergraduate Research (SPUR)

The Office of Undergraduate Research is currently recruiting for the Summer Program for Undergraduate Research (SPUR). This is a full-time summer program.

The SPUR provides undergraduates with an intensive 10-week research experience under the mentorship of a University of Utah faculty member. SPUR 2020 will begin on May 20, 2020 and end on July 30, 2020.

Program benefits include:

- * \$5,000 stipend
- * On-campus housing
- * Travel reimbursement
- * Social programming
- * Professional development events
- * Publication and presentation opportunities



This is a great opportunity and we encourage all students to apply, visit their [website](#) for more information.

2nd Year MAP

The University of Utah and the Medical Laboratory Science program are committed to student success and degree completion. We encourage students to meet with their advisors multiple times throughout their college life.

The 2nd year Mandatory Advising Program (MAP) starts on November 18th. This required meeting will help students to continue to navigate through their major and ensure they are informed about upcoming opportunities. The 2nd year MAP milestone advising appointment benefits students by helping determine which courses to take and allows students to stay on track for application to the MLS Program.

To schedule a 2nd year MAP appointment, students should use the following link on our [website](#).

Students in the Honors College are required to meet with their major advisor OR major exploration advisor AND honors advisor. Students who are pursuing pre-medical, pre-dental, or other pre-professional programs should also meet with their respective [pre-professional advisor](#).



2020-21 FAFSA Application Opens

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a form completed by current and prospective college students (undergraduate and graduate) in the United States to determine their eligibility for student financial aid.



The new 2020-21 FAFSA form is here! Some states and schools have limited funds, so don't delay! Many other scholarships and financial aid opportunities requires submission of FAFSA. To begin your application click [here](#).

Student Resources

[ASUU Student Child Care Program](#): Drop-in child care program: Call or email for more information! 801-585-7393 / ascuchildcare@sa.utah.edu

Get the most out of you U Card Benefits: Go to ucard.utah.edu

FEED U: Available to all U students. For more information go on their Facebook [@FeedUFoodPantry](#) account or [website](#)!

Upcoming Events

NOV15: [International Night 2019](#) at the Union building. One of the biggest events of the year!

NOV21: [MLS Meet, Greet & Eat](#)

NOV22: MLSPC Food Drive. For more information contact Professor Munoz.

Important Reminders

OCT1: 2020-21 FAFSA form available [online](#)!

JAN6, 2020: Apply for Graduate student scholarships (More information to follow).

JAN6, 2020: Deadline to apply for [Karen Hageman Brown scholarship](#)

MLS Senior year students: [Income shared agreement application](#)

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"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up."

- Thomas Edison

