



MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

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THE UPDATE

Official Newsletter of the Undergraduate and Graduate Programs

New Year, More MLS activities!

The new year is coming with many events and great activities for the MLS family! The Medical Laboratory Science Division is happy to announce starting 2020 we will host a series of activities and events for all Pre-MLS, MLS, MDLB 2010, Post-baccalaureate, and Graduate students.

These will bring our MLS family together for networking opportunities, gathering valuable information and resources, and brief moment of respite within a fun and comfortable environment. Please come unwind and enjoy our cool, clever community of sensational, scholarly scientists!

Events such as student panels, laboratory tours, MLS socials, Med Lab Professionals Week, and many more will be added to the 2020 calendar! We will be sending electronic invitations and reminders.

Because we care about you and value your feedback, we will also send out post-event surveys to make sure we provide quality events.



Fall 2020 Admissions

Application materials for fall 2020 admissions to the MLS program are now available on the [website](#).

Completed applications must be submitted online between January 1st and March 1st. Late applications may be considered depending on class size. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and a plan to complete all MLS pre-requisites prior to fall semester 2020 in order to be considered for admission.

For more information about pre-requisites and the application process visit our [website](#) or schedule an appointment with the [Pre-MLS Advisor Application](#).

Don't miss out!: Graduate Student Scholarship

Applications for the MLS Graduate program scholarship are due on January 7th, 2020. MLS is committed to making our graduate program affordable and accessible.

The master of science degree in laboratory medicine and biomedical science offers two tracks: (1) Clinical Laboratory Science and (2) Biomedical Research. Admission to the graduate program requires successful completion of a bachelor of science (BS) degree in medical laboratory science (MLS) and national MLS or Medical Technologists (MT) certification through the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) or American Medical Technologists (AMT). Or, a successfully completed Bachelor of Science degree in a related discipline, such as biology, chemistry, or microbiology.

Our program offers areas of specialized, advanced study and research in immunology, cell biology, molecular biology, clinical chemistry, toxicology, microbiology, hematology, hematopathology, immunohematology, and genetics.



MLS Winter Social

The Medical Laboratory Science Division would like to invite you to their Winter Social January 8th from 3-5pm in the HSEB building Alumni Hall.

We would like to invite all Pre-MLS, MLS, MDLB 2010, Post-baccalaureate, and Graduate students to join us!

Come enjoy fun games, yummy appetizers, and an opportunity to meet other students, faculty and staff.

You can't miss this event! To RSVP 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

JAN 8th: [MLS Winter Social](#)

FEB 11th: ARUP Lab Tour

MARCH: MLS Panel

Important Reminders

JAN 6th: Classes begin

JAN 7, 2020: Deadline to apply for Graduate student scholarship

JAN 6, 2020: Deadline to apply for Karen Hageman Brown scholarship

JAN 17: Last day to enroll in classes

ARUP Laboratory Tour

Our inaugural laboratory tour will be through [ARUP Laboratories](#) on February 11th at 2pm. ARUP is an American national reference laboratory and a nonprofit enterprise of the University of Utah, and its Department of Pathology. It is located in the University of Utah, Research Park.

Come see examples of specialized areas in the Medical Laboratory Science field, and expand your insight into the many diverse and fulfilling career opportunities this profession has to offer. Take advantage during these times to shadow front line laboratorians and pick their brains about their work, or the field in general.

Do you like a fast-paced environment and tinkering with incredible state-of-the-art machines? Clinical Chemistry is one of the core laboratory disciplines and usually encounters the highest volume of testing. See how ARUP manages such high sample volume with both traditional and in-house developed technology.

Infatuated with infectious diseases? Would you like a mix of hands on work with some automation? Microbiology encompasses bacteriology, parasitology, virology, mycology, and more. Learn all about identifying the small, sinister microbes that make us sick. Plus, microbiologists have the greatest stories! Ask them about some of the scariest or grossest things they've encountered working on the bench.

Are genes more your thing? Check out the numerous ways molecular diagnostics are used throughout the various disciplines. It is such a valuable and rapidly emerging field!

If you are interested in exploring the wonderful world of Medical Laboratory Science with us, make sure you check your inbox over the next few weeks to watch for the opportunity to RSVP. There is a limited capacity for each tour.

Can't make it this time around? No worries! We will have more throughout the year.



Personal Money Management Center

Worried about how you will pay back your student loans? The [Financial Wellness Center](#), formerly known as the Personal Money Management Center offers free financial counseling for our students, staff, and faculty.

Have you ever had questions on how to create a budget, or even how to start investing? They have three accredited financial counselors who will sit down with you one-on-one and answer any and all questions that you may have about your personal finances. It is completely confidential and you are able to schedule a one-hour appointment in person, over the phone, or video chat!

Being a student can be pretty stressful, adding finances on top of that can make it that much harder. Their goal is to make sure that you are financially prepared and have the knowledge that you need to be successful!

Not only do they want you to know how to manage money, they want you to know how to manage money wisely! They are located in Union Building room 317.

Stop by and say hi! They would love to meet you.



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The true laboratory is the mind, where behind illusions we uncover the laws of truth. -Sir Jagadish Chandra Bose

