



MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

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THE UPDATE

Official Newsletter of the Undergraduate and Graduate Programs

Activities U will enjoy!

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 2021 we will bring back the Meet & Eat (M&E) virtual events! You will be able to meet students and faculty in a fun and relaxing atmosphere. Please come unwind and enjoy our cool, clever community of sensational, scholarly scientists!

Events such as student panels, webinars, MLS M&E, Med Lab Professionals Week, MLS Open House, and many more will continue in our 2021 calendar! We will be sending electronic invitations and reminders.



Fall 2021 Admissions

Application materials for fall 2021 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 2021 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](#). If you are a transfer student, make sure you also apply for admission to the University of Utah [here](#). Our main office number is 801-581-7913.

January Webinar

We are delighted to start the new year with Adjunct Professor, Becky Buxton presenting our Webinar session in January.

Rebecca Buxton, MS, MT(ASCP) will be presenting "The Importance of Laboratory Professional in Health Care: MLS in Global Health."

Professor Buxton will discuss the role of the Medical Laboratory Division in Global Health Programs at the U, present some Learning Abroad options for Medical Laboratory Science students, and introduce Student-Led research in a global environment.

Register [here](#)!



MLS Virtual Winter M&E

The Medical Laboratory Science Division would like to invite you to their Virtual Winter M&E on February 5th from 5-6pm via Zoom.

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

Come enjoy fun games, an opportunity to meet other students, faculty and staff, and to relax and unwind!

You can't miss this event! Confirm your attendance here!



MLSPC

The MLSPC hopes everyone has had an enjoyable winter break and is looking forward to the new year and upcoming semester!

Service: We will be finishing out our winter service project collecting items in urgent need for the Road Home. A collection box will be located outside the MLS teaching laboratory (EHSEB 4730). Urgent need items currently requested include: body wipes, face masks, cleaning products, sippy cups, underwear, clothing, shoes, socks, towels, and blankets.

If you are unable to drop off items but would still like to contribute, donations can also be sent via Venmo to @Lacey-Murphy. Please make sure to specify in the transaction memo that you are contributing to the Road Home Donation Drive. 100% of your contribution will go towards buying urgent need items. Please email Gabriela Varga at u1058125@utah.edu if you have any questions.

In February we will be holding another blood drive challenge, stay tuned for more details and information about prizes!

Lectures: Also upcoming in February will be part two of Dr. Wilkin's lecture series about breaking down and reading scientific manuscripts. Even if you missed part one you will still benefit from this additional information! This is highly recommended for all students who are currently enrolled in or considering pursuing a graduate or professional degree program and is also relevant for anyone who will be working in the field as an MLS professional. More details about the date and time will be announced in next month's newsletter.

2021 MLS Program Application help: If you are busily working away on your 2021 application into the MLS Program and would like to speak to students who have been there, reach out to us at uofumlspc@gmail.com! We'll put you in contact with an MLS student who can offer feedback about the process.

Join us! We're always accepting new members. If you'd like to become an MLSPC member submit an application [here](#). Follow us on social media for updates on upcoming events by clicking the buttons below!



New Year, New Finances?

A new year comes with new goals and resolutions. Have you considered adding a few financial resolutions to your new year's list?

The [Financial Wellness 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 accredited financial counselors who meet 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 over the phone or video chat!

Not only do they want you to know how to manage money, they want you to know how to manage money wisely!

[Book your appointment now!](#)



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

Now - JAN 31: MLSPC Road Home Donation Drive

JAN 19th: MLS January Webinar

FEB: MLSPC Blood Donation Challenge

FEB 5th: MLS Virtual Winter M&E

MARCH: MLS Panel

Important Reminders

JAN 19th: Classes begin

JAN 20: Extended application deadline for [Karen Hageman Brown Scholarship](#)

FEB 12: Deadline to apply for [John M. Matsen Undergraduate Scholarship](#) application

FEB 28: Deadline to apply for [F.A. Davis Spring 2021 Scholarship](#)

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To speak gratitude is courteous and pleasant, to enact gratitude is generous and noble, but to live gratitude is to touch Heaven. - Johannes A. Gaertner

