Dear students

We all hope now you have had the chance to deal with the many issues from super storm Sandy. We have been impressed with your stories of perseverance and your spirit to help others. You or people you love may, however, still be dealing with issues from the storm. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me, Drs. Alder or Thakker-Varia or Student Wellness for support, or even just to ask questions.

Best wishes that Thanksgiving is a wonderful time for all.

Terri Kinzy

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1. Emerging Leaders in Science and Society (ELISS)
ELISS is a one-year, competitive program that complements full-time graduate or professional study. Participants are expected to volunteer 1-5 hours per week in order to:

Gather expertise from their campus and communities to better understand the causes of and potential solutions to a complex issue.

Inform the public about their issue through a collaborative team project (informational website or video, museum exhibit, Meetup or Tweetup events, etc.)

Coordinate an informed dialogue among experts from industry, academia, government, and non-profits to explore solutions to their issue.

Develop 21st century leadership skills such as: communicating with diverse audiences; collaborating with a distributed team; creative problem solving; and entrepreneurship.

Explore career opportunities in all sectors with the help of advisors at a local and national level. ELISS will provide funding for the following activities:
Multi-day introductory orientation
Mid-year, in-person team planning meeting
Campus events and team projects
Virtual learning and planning sessions
Culminating briefing for national leaders

Recruiting will begin in the summer of 2013 for the class of 2014, contingent upon funding.

2. Student Handbooks - New Social Media Policy
(Please see attachment)

3. ASM is Recruiting for Postdoc Positions at the CDC

ASM is Recruiting for Postdoc Positions at the CDC. Encourage Your Graduate Students to Apply!

Online Applications are Available Now!!!

**DEADLINE:** January 15th

**Eligibility**

**Stipend and Benefits**

**Opportunities for Research**

**2013-2015 ASM/CDC Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program**

- Up to ten fellowship positions will be awarded for full-time research in infectious diseases, which cause significant public health problems.

- Fellows will perform research in residence at one of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) locations in Atlanta, GA; Ft. Collins, CO; Anchorage, AK; or San Juan, Puerto Rico.

For more information and application details, visit:
ASM/CDC Postdoctoral Research Fellowship
4. *Science Alliance: Career Path Options, Entrepreneurship, Becoming a Scientific Consultant and More*  
([click here for website](#))

5. **“Dealing With Test Taking”**  
At this juncture in the semester, most students have already taken exams, and have received their test results back. Depending upon the outcomes of these results, it’s plausible that you might be feeling either satisfied or anxious about your individual performances. If you have reached this far in the semester, and you continue to believe that your concerns about being anxious within the testing milieu have not been adequately attended to, then it might be time to consider alternative hypotheses such as how you are perceiving and thinking about the test taking process.  
(Please see attachment)

6. **New Jersey Association for Biomedical Research Conference Information**  
(Please see attachments)

7. **The University of Michigan announces a training course for graduate students**  
The University of Michigan announces a training course for graduate students, post docs, or faculty with interests in neuroscience or biomedical engineering who want to learn about fMRI. The course will be held August 5-16, 2013, at the University of Michigan. For more information, please see:  
[[http://sitemaker.umich.edu/fmri.training.course/home](http://sitemaker.umich.edu/fmri.training.course/home)]

8. **Invitation to nominate graduate students to the 63rd Meeting of Nobel Laureates in Lindau, Germany**  
Students, if you wish to be nominated for the Lindau Meeting (please review the below requirements, please send your CV and indicate you meet the requirements below and confirm with your advisor which funding source you are supported from directly to Dr. Kinzy at kinzytg@umdni.edu. Please also indicate to which agency they should be nominated (to DOE, NIH, or NSF: be supported by and/or working on a project, grant, or fellowship sponsored by the DOE Office of Science (DOE-SC), NIH (NCI, NIAAA, NIDCR, NIEHS, or NIGMS only), or the NSF Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences (NSF-MPS) no later than December 1, 2012.  

The Department of Energy (DOE), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the National Science Foundation (NSF), Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU), and Mars, Incorporated are pleased to announce that they will nominate and sponsor a maximum of 85 total graduate students to attend the 63rd annual meeting of Nobel Laureates in Lindau, Germany, from June 30 through July 5, 2013. We invite your institution to nominate up to two students for each sponsor to be considered for this very exciting opportunity.  

Since 1951, Nobel Prize winners and students in chemistry, physics, and physiology or medicine have met annually in Lindau, located on Lake Constance in southwestern Germany. It is anticipated that some 550 students from more than 70 countries will attend the weeklong meeting in 2013. There are formal lectures in the morning, and the remainder of the day is set aside for the students to meet informally with the Nobel Laureate scientists, as well as with their fellow students from around the world. Information on the most recent meeting and comments from students who attended are available at [http://www.orau.org/lindau/past-mtgs/default.shtml](http://www.orau.org/lindau/past-mtgs/default.shtml).  

In 2013, the meeting will feature recipients of the Nobel Prize in Chemistry. You may nominate students to attend this meeting who:

- are U.S. citizens currently enrolled at a university as full-time graduate students;
have completed by June 2013 at least two academic years of graduate studies toward a doctoral degree in chemistry or in a related discipline, but not be planning a dissertation/thesis defense before December 31, 2013;

- If applying to DOE, NIH, or NSF: be supported by and/or working on a project, grant, or fellowship sponsored by the DOE Office of Science (DOE-SC), NIH (NCI, NIAAA, NIDCR, NIEHS, or NIGMS only), or the NSF Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences (NSF-MPS).
- If applying to ORAU: be attending an ORAU member institution (list is available here: http://www.orau.org/university-partnerships/members.aspx) and actively engaged in research funded by private or public sources.
- If applying to Mars, Incorporated: be actively engaged in research funded by private or public sources.

All forms and nomination instructions can be found at http://www.orau.org/lindau. We are especially interested in receiving nominations from a diverse group of students, including women, under-represented minorities and people with disabilities.

The selection process for the Lindau Meeting occurs over three phases. The universities and National Laboratories complete the first phase by selecting up to two students per sponsor and submitting the nomination packet for each student. DOE, NIH, NSF, ORAU, and Mars, Incorporated complete phase two by selecting the students to nominate to the Lindau Meeting. The final phase of selection is completed by the Lindau Meeting and its screening process. All three phases ultimately adhere to the Lindau Meeting’s selection criteria.

All nominations must be submitted online before Friday, December 14, 2012 at 4:00 pm, Eastern Time. Nominees will be notified by January 31, 2013 whether they have been selected for phase three of the nomination process. Further information about the program, including the web site for submission of nominations, can be found online at http://www.orau.org/lindau/.

The President/Chancellor/Director of your institution may delegate responsibility for submitting nominations to another office in your institution. However, individual faculty members may not submit nominations directly. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me using the contact information below.

Best wishes and good luck,

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Solicitation Closing Date: November 27, 2012, 11:59:59 PM Eastern Time (ET)

11:59:59 PM Eastern Time (ET) for submission of All Letters of Recommendation

Each year, students in the United States compete for STAR fellowships through a rigorous review process. Since the program began in 1995, EPA has awarded approximately 1,500 STAR fellowships to students in every state and most territories. Fellowships have helped educate new academic researchers, government scientists, science teachers, and, environmental engineers.

Applications are welcomed from students studying any academic discipline to the extent that the particular topic of proposed research is related to EPA’s mission. This includes students studying in ecology, economics, engineering, modeling, the health sciences, physical sciences, earth sciences, exposure sciences, social sciences, informational sciences, mathematical and computer sciences, and environmental sciences.

The mission of the EPA STAR Fellowships Program is to help ensure that the U.S. meets its current and projected human resource needs in the environmental science, engineering, and policy fields. Thus, the EPA is looking to fund students at the graduate level who are committed to meeting the challenges of today and the next generation by pursuing a career related to protecting human health and the environment. Proposals may come from students in traditional and interdisciplinary academic disciplines; from students studying in emerging fields that will require increased human capacity such as in the social and exposure sciences; from
students utilizing multidisciplinary approaches and/or addressing multiple media; and, in areas which focus on environmental justice, environmental education, and/or building decision making capacity. STAR fellowships are intended to help defray the ever-increasing costs associated with studies leading to advanced degrees in environmental sciences. The actual amount awarded per year will vary depending on the amount of tuition and fees and the number of months the stipend is needed. Benefits of an EPA STAR Fellowship include: Up to $42,000 per year of, including $12,000 per year for tuition and fees, $25,000 per year in a monthly stipend, and an annual expense allowance of $5,000. Masters level students can receive support for a maximum of two years. Doctoral students can be supported for a maximum of three years with funding available, under certain circumstances, over a period of four years.

10. New Jersey Commission on Cancer Research "2013 PRE-DOCTORAL AND POST-DOCTORAL CANCER RESEARCH SCHOLAR AWARDS"
The New Jersey Commission on Cancer Research has posted a new RFA for the "2013 PRE-DOCTORAL AND POST-DOCTORAL CANCER RESEARCH SCHOLAR AWARDS ". Below is a link to this application.

http://www.state.nj.us/health/CCR/documents/2013_pre_doctoral_post_doctoral_crs_award.pdf

Good luck to all-

11. GSBS "Academic Forms"
Attention All Students:

Please visit the GSBS "Academic Forms" link http://rwjms umdnj.edu/education/gsbs/current/forms.html and make sure you download the required most current form whenever needed.

Anyone who submits an outdated form will be asked to complete and obtain all required signatures again on the most current form.