Hello Students –

Fall 2020 semester has officially begun!

We will be sending out the **Weekly Email** on Monday mornings to keep you informed of what is going on with the Neuroscience Program and on campus that may be important to you. Please understand how important it is to take a minute and read these over.

**IMPORTANT RESEARCH CREDIT INFORMATION**

If you are a junior planning on graduating early or a senior and are having difficulty finding a lab to complete your required research credits, reach out to us at neuroresearch@jhu.edu. We will get back to you to discuss your options. **The deadline to email is this Friday 9/4/2020.**

**WE ARE HERE FOR YOU**

If you are having any difficulties this semester please make sure you are communicating with your instructors. This is going to be more important than ever. Please remember, all us in the Neuroscience Program are here to support each other!

Have a GREAT beginning of the semester!!!

**News and Upcoming Events: August 31st – September 6th**

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<td>Johns Hopkins University is currently in <strong>Phase 1</strong> of its reopening plan; limited on-campus laboratory research resumed on June 15, and other on-campus research activities can resume with approval. Universal use of face coverings and physical distancing on campus are required.</td>
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<td>There is a dedicated website where information regarding JHU and COVID-19 is constantly updated. Please make sure to check the <a href="#">website</a> regularly for updated information.</td>
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<td>If you are enrolled in Experiential Learning: Autism and other Neurological Disorders, the mandatory orientation is this Wednesday, 9/2 at 8am via zoom. Kelly Thammavong will send you the zoom link.</td>
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<td><strong>Helping an Aging Community</strong></td>
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<td>Are you interested in working/collaborating with the elderly populations? Then sign up for AS.080.618 Experiential Learning:</td>
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Helping an Aging Community: Social and Cognitive Support for Seniors and we will help you get connected via Zoom.

**NU RHO PSI**

Welcome back NRP Members!!

The first virtual general body meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10th at 9:00 p.m. EST. The Zoom link will be provided. Please make sure to attend this first meeting for upcoming NRP activities for the Fall 2020 semester.

**Administrative Staff Office Hours**

Due to the Homewood campus being closed because of our COVID-19 situation, the administrative staff will be holding virtual office hours via Zoom to assist our students. The office hours are as follows:

- Linda M. White – Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:00-2:00 pm
- Kelly Thammavong – Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- See this week’s email from Dr. Trageser for the Zoom links.

As always, you can email Linda or Kelly with any questions at linda.m.white@jhu.edu or KellyT@jhu.edu.

**Student Employment**

We are excited to announce the transformation of what is currently known as Student Employment Services into a new department called **University Experiential Learning**. Under this new model, faculty and staff from all JHU schools and divisions will have access to one new platform, **SMILE**, to post information on paid campus internships as well as traditional student employment opportunities.

All positions posted on SMILE, whether as student jobs or paid internships, are **non-credit-bearing**, compensated via JHU payroll, and part-time. Students will still use Handshake for off-campus internships, full-time positions, and career-related events. We branded the new platform SMILE to complement that existing system.
VIRTUAL UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM – SAVE THE DATE

Are you interested in presenting your research or are you looking to fulfill your scientific presentation for Departmental Honors? Join us at the Virtual Undergraduate Research Symposium (URS) on Tuesday, October 27th. Please go to the URS Website - https://hopkinsurs.wixsite.com/urs2020 for more information on the event and for information on submitting your application and abstract.

This year’s Keynote Speaker is Dr. Andrey Vyshedskiy, Professor of Biology at Boston University.

Dr. Vyshedskiy will talk about “The neuroscience of imagination and evolution of language”
Deadline to submit your application/abstract: Sunday, 
September 27th.

Contact hopkins.urs@gmail.com with any questions.

FALL 2020 DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

Are you graduating this Fall and interested in applying for Departmental Honors?

You will be receiving an email soon if you meet the first criteria – a 3.5 cumulative GPA. The next step is to organize your honors packet and email it to Linda M. White.

Honors Packet should include:
- Proof of a 3.5 Core GPA by way of the GPA Worksheet (this can be found on the Honors webpage)
- 9 credits of required research
- Unofficial Transcript
- Proof of a Scientific Presentation (URS or DREAMS)
- Letter of Recommendation from you PI

More information can be found on the Neuroscience website.

Please note this packet needs to be turned in by Friday, October 9th at 4:00 pm.
Welcome Back! The Life Design Lab is currently gearing up for fall with a wide array of virtual programming, and we hope you will join us. I am looking forward to helping you find inspiration and get connected with mentors and opportunities. Be on the lookout for emails from me!

I will be staffing KSAS office hours from 3pm – 5pm on Wednesdays via Zoom. Additionally, each week I will have office hours just for brain science students. I hope to rotate the day/time so that I can be accessible to students in different time zones. In addition to the hours on Wednesdays, my office hours for the next few weeks are:

- August 28th 9am – 11am
- September 5th 7pm – 9pm
- September 11th 7am – 9am

(See this week’s email from Dr. Trageser for the Zoom link)

Please click here for upcoming events.

The Hopkins Office for Undergraduate Research (HOUR) receives information about research opportunities for students. There are currently research opportunities in the Johns Hopkins Adherence Research Center and the School of Medicine. Please click on the links for more information about the responsibilities and experience needed for both labs.

You can also find research opportunities by going to the research section of our website - http://krieger.jhu.edu/neuroscience/research/finding-a-lab/ and by looking under the “For Current Students” – section of our website under “Student Opportunities” - http://krieger.jhu.edu/neuroscience/bbtype/research-internships/.

Get ready to engage with over 400 student organizations as we gear up for the fall Virtual Student Involvement Fair. This year’s involvement Fair will happen through Hopkins Groups and will take place over 3 days:
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<td>Join us Saturday, September 5, 9:00 - 11:00pm for <strong>The Get Down</strong>, a virtual hangout with live music and games. More details can be found <a href="http://krieger.jhu.edu/neuroscience/">here</a>...</td>
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**CONFERENCE ROOM**

The Neuroscience and Behavioral Biology Conference Room, located in 414 Dunning Hall, is closed until further notice.