Hello Students –

Congratulations on completing the first week of remote JHU! Important announcements below so please take a minute to look them over!

**Scientific Communications:**
If you are doing research for credit, you MUST attend the Scientific Communication Orientation sessions that are being held NEXT week. You must attend YOUR SESSION. If you attend a session other than the one you are registered for you will be asked to drop Research and Scientific Communications and you will not receive credit.

See below for the dates and times of the Sci. Comm. orientation meetings. Verify your sessions day and time! **Instructors will email you a Zoom link prior to your scheduled meeting so please be on the lookout.**

**IMPORTANT: IF YOU HAVE SIGNED UP FOR SCI COMM AND YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR 6 CREDITS – PLEASE DROP SCI COMM.**

**Dr. Trageser’s office hours:**
My office hours are Tuesday’s 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ET. Please use this link to make an appointment to speak with me. I’m happy to discuss and questions and concerns you have!

**REMEMBER, 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 WEEK!!!**

**News and Upcoming Events: September 7th – September 13th**

| JHU COVID-19 INFORMATION | Johns Hopkins University is still in **Phase 1** 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.

|  | There is a dedicated website where information regarding JHU and COVID-19 is constantly updated. Please make sure to check the [website](#) regularly for updated information. |
**NU RHO PSI**  
**THIS THURSDAY**  
**SEPT. 10**

Welcome back NRP Members!!

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

We also invite all interested Neuro/BB majors to join us at this meeting to see what we do during the year and hear about the application process to join. Looking forward to a new year of NRP!

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Are you doing research during the fall? Remember, you must register for BOTH Scientific Communication (080.500) AND Neuroscience Research (080.5xx) **UNTIL YOU REACH YOUR 6 CREDITS OF NS RESEARCH.**

**Scientific Communication:** It is mandatory that you attend the section for which you are registered because we try to keep the sections small. If you do not attend the Orientation session, then you can still do research – but, you will not be able to get credit for it. Here are the dates and times of the Sci Comm sections.
All sessions will be done via Zoom. The instructor for each section will provide the Zoom links for that section. Please make sure to check your emails for the links.

**REGISTRAR’S OFFICE**

The last day to add courses is **Friday, September 11th** at 4:30 p.m. The last day to add research is October 9th. For Neuroscience majors, if you have not reached 6 credits of research, you will need to also register for Scientific Communication by September 11th. If you have any issues registering for Scientific Communication, please contact [Kelly Thammavong](mailto:kelly.thammavong@university.edu) for assistance before this Friday.

**Biomedical Research Awareness Day**

**9/17**

Biomedical Research Awareness Day (BRAD) is an initiative committed to educating students and the public on the importance of biomedical research and the humane use of animals.
| Webinar – Progress in Mental Health: The Role of Animal Research. Dr. Thomas Prevot, University of Toronto.  
https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5876456851819340045 |
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| They also have BRAD Challenges over the next two weeks! Check it out here:  
https://www.bradglobal.org/challenges |
| **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 and Wednesdays from 1:00-2:00 pm (UPDATED)  
- Kelly Thammavong – Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
- See weekly email for zoom links  
As always, you can email Linda or Kelly with any questions at linda.m.white@jhu.edu or KellyT@jhu.edu. |
| **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. Your abstract must have a title.  

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) OR proof of registration for upcoming URS with abstract of presentation
- Letter of Recommendation from your 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**.

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### LIFE DESIGN LAB

Karen Mardock is the Life Design Educator for Neuroscience, Behavioral Biology, Cognitive Science and Psychology students. Her office hours are:

- KSAS Drop-ins – every Wednesday, 3pm – 5pm
- Friday, September 11th - 7am – 9am
- Thursday, September 17th - 7pm – 9pm

If you want to find out what the Life Design Lab is all about, you can meet our assigned Life Design Educator who will discuss what the lab offers and how to access its support on **Monday, September 7th** at 7:00 p.m. during this meeting.

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### NEED ACADEMIC HELP? JHU OFFICE OF ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Many of the student support services are still available although virtually.

The [Learning Den](#) is offering group tutoring for a number of courses, as well as HELP rooms for Economics and Neuroscience via Zoom. (see weekly email for zoom link)

The [Study Consulting](#) Program helps undergraduate students strengthen their academic skills, adjust to the increased demands of college and fulfill their academic potential. A consultant will be available on Zoom to help with general time management. (see weekly email for zoom link)
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