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Biology Majors News and Information

September 12, 2023

Opportunities

This is a list of competitions, awards, and opportunities for research, jobs, and community involvement available currently or coming up shortly. **The details for each event are linked on the Biology Majors Canvas page.** Click on "**Read More**" to go to the Canvas page.

- Several [Career Fairs](#) in September
- [Education Abroad Fair](#): **September 13**, 2-5 pm
- [Global Health Case Competition](#): application deadline **September 14**
- [Seeking information about healthcare shadowing?](#) **September 14**
- [Join Synapse: Organization For Brain Injury](#): Informational webinar **September 17** @ 6pm
- [SPARK: Students Participating as Ambassadors for Research in Kentucky](#): deadline **September 18**
- [Fulbright Canada-Mitacs Globalink Research Internship](#): deadline **September 21**
- [Education Abroad course: A Comparison of American and United Kingdom Health Systems](#): application deadline **October 1**
- [Paid Internship: Gardner Institute for Excellence in Undergraduate Education](#): application deadline **October 7**

No Deadlines or Deadlines Unknown

- [Cognitive Neuroscience and Behavior Therapy \(CnBT\) research lab](#)
- [Job Opportunity: Virtual Medical Scribe](#)
- [Central Kentucky Job Club](#)
- [College Mentors for Kids Recruitment](#)

Also check out the [Office of Undergraduate Research](#) section on the Biology Majors Canvas page for more events.

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Graduate and Professional Schools

Are you interested in **Graduate or Professional School**? Here is some information that was sent out way. Click on "**Read More**" to be directed to the Canvas page; you will find the details linked there.

- [Ecological Sciences and Engineering \(ESE\) Interdisciplinary Program at **Purdue University**](#)
- [UC Davis Microbiology Graduate Group Virtual Admission Info Sessions: September 18 & 21](#)
- [Harvard Law School](#) at UK on October 10
- [Neuroscience Graduate Program at **Florida Atlantic University**](#): application deadline December 1
- [Master's Degree: Advanced Inquiry Program](#): application deadline February 28
- [Masters and PhD at **UK Biology**](#)
- [Master of Arts in STEM Teaching at **UK**](#)
- [MS in Forensic Toxicology at **UK**](#)
- Online Masters' Degree Program in the [Biotechnology of Climate Change](#)
- **University of Chicago**: contact program for deadline

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Thursday Seminar: "The Promise and Practice of Inclusive Education"; Dr. Bryan Dewsbury

Every Thursday, the Department of Biology hosts a seminar presented by a visiting (sometimes resident) scientist. These are great opportunities to learn about the latest science in a wide variety of biological fields. Undergraduate students are welcome, and strongly encouraged, to attend. It will definitely enhance your education and give you a glimpse into all that is possible in the field of biology.

This Thursday: "THE PROMISE AND PRACTICE OF INCLUSIVE EDUCATION"; DR. BRYAN DEWSBURY from FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

Location: **THM (BS) 116**

Day of the week: every **Thursday**

Time: Starts at **3:30 PM**, and goes on until 4:30 pm.

WHY ATTEND SEMINARS?

- Learn about the most recent research
- Discover new areas of biology
- Stimulate your interest in research
- Exposure to academic presentations
- Learn how to give a professional talk

You may not understand everything, but that's fine (sometimes, faculty also don't always understand everything in a seminar). Don't let that intimidate you. Even if you understand a fraction of the presentation, it is worth it. The more seminars you attend, the more comfortable you will get.

Or just come for the coffee and cookies, and you may be surprised by how interesting the seminar is!

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RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

Click on "**Read More**" for a **list of campus resources** that may be helpful to you as you navigate the stresses and difficulties college life or life in general.

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We Need Your Input

Please respond to this survey about "**Is there a need for bio-focused internships and job fairs?**"

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Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity

The Biology Department **Committee for Inclusive Excellence** aims to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion by making the Biology Department a place where all are welcome, all can contribute, and all have a chance to succeed. You can connect with the Inclusive Excellence Committee in the comments box in the office of TH Morgan Bldg or by submitting comments on our website (click on "**Read more**" below). Through these means you can share issues, concerns, comments, or feedback about your experience in Biology with us.

Here are some events on campus that promote and/or celebrate diversity, equity, and inclusivity:

1. **International Film Festival:** From **September 13-27** the Kentucky Theater in partnership with sQecial media is hosting **The Rosa Goddard International Film Festival**. This year's lineup features films directed by women and focus on women's experiences through a range of cultures. For more information see [here](#).
2. **Funding for Conference:** The annual **Louis Stokes Midwest Regional Center for Excellent conference** will be held **Nov 3-5** in Oak Brook, IL. **Abstracts submission** is open through **September 22nd**. The **Biology DEI committee will provide the registration costs for 2 students**. Please contact us at dei.biology@uky.edu if you plan on attending. For more information see [here](#).

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Important Dates

- Sep 17, Sunday: Last day to fully withdraw or reduce course load and receive a 50% refund for full-term classes.
- Oct 23-24, Monday-Tuesday: Fall break: Academic Holiday
- Nov 01, Wednesday: Last day to fully withdraw or reduce course load from full-term classes. After this date students are only permitted withdraw for urgent non-academic reasons.
- Nov 01, Wednesday: Last day to apply for a December 2023 undergraduate or graduate degree in myUK.
- Nov 22-24, Wednesday-Friday: Thanksgiving Break: Academic Holiday
- Dec 04-06, Monday-Wednesday: Prep Days, classes do meet
- Dec 06, Wednesday: Last day of classes
- Dec 07-08, Thursday-Friday: Reading Days, classes do not meet

- Dec 11-14, Monday-Thursday: Final Exams
- Dec 15, Friday: Commencement ceremony for December '23 graduates

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Biology Undergraduate Program Details

Director of Undergraduate Studies: Dr. Kay Shenoy

Need to make an **advising appointment** with Dr. Shenoy? Click [HERE](#) to pick an appointment slot.
Questions about courses, degree, audits, etc.? **Email:** biology@uky.edu

Information on degree requirements, degree check-lists, 4-year course maps, acceptable electives, information on tracks, and all else undergraduate-related can be found here.

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