Announcements

How to see family and friends more safely over the holidays
There will not be a PhD Digest E-Newsletter the week of Thanksgiving. Enjoy the short week next week and hopefully you will get to spend time virtually with your friends and family around the world. Have a safe and happy thanksgiving week ahead!

Reminder - Physics EGARS Due 12/1/2020
All Ph.D. students should fill out EGARS each semester. RA's must fill out the form to ensure you are on payroll accurately for next semester. TA's must fill out the form to be sure you are considered for a TA for Spring 2021. Any questions contact Jim Reardon or Michelle Holland.

Prepare for Spring Enrollment
You should have received an email from the Office of the Registrar with the specific date and time of your enrollment appointment for Spring 2021 courses. Graduate students will be eligible to enroll starting on Monday, December 7, 2020.

The Spring 2021 course schedule preview is now available!
Most of the Physics courses will be offered online for Spring 2021, with the exception of some in person lab courses. The course preview website gives you an idea of what courses will be offered for Spring 2021. A full listing of courses and modality will be available in early December here.

Spring 2021 Course - Research Mentor Training Practicum (INTEGSCI 660, 1 credit)
Practicum course for graduate, post-doctoral or senior undergraduate students to be taken concurrently while mentoring an undergraduate engaged in an independent research experience.

Wisconsin Union Catering Now Accepting Thanksgiving To-Go Orders!
You can place your order here.
Department of Physics Event Calendar
See the departmental events calendar to be sure you don't miss any of the upcoming seminars, workshops, or journal clubs, workshops!

Graduate Women in Science (GWIS) discussion
Date: November 23rd, 2020; 5:00 PM (online)
This event will be focused on diversity and inclusion in STEM (racial, cultural, identity, LGTBQ+). They'll be discussing individual experiences, advice on navigating difficult situations, helpful resources, and more.

AAAS Mass Media Fellowship info session
Date: December 3rd, 2020; 1:00 PM
Join three program alumni, to learn more about the fellowship, hear what it's like to go from the bench to the newsroom and back, and get tips on applying.

UW-Madison Showcase 2020 Virtual Lunch & Learn Series: THE ROLE OF RACE IN THE WORKPLACE
Date: December 3rd, 2020; 12:00 – 1:00 PM (Online)

Grad Students Spring Semester Enrollment Begins
Date: December 7th, 2020
The full schedule of classes for Spring 2021 is targeted to be available in early December.

Call for Nominations - Awards for Mentoring Undergraduates in Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities
Deadline: December 11th, 2020

UW-Madison Winter Commencement
Date: December 13th, 2020 (Online)
Everything you should know about the changes to the commencement related events scheduled for December.

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Professional Development

The following items are event highlights from the UW-Madison Graduate School Office of Professional Development:

Varsity Venture Studio
Deadline: November 25th, 2020
A UW-Madison-wide venture studio, turns ideas into funded software businesses

Registration open for the UW Madison Teaching Academy's Winter LEaP
Date: January 11-12th, 2021; 9 - 11:30 AM
If you are able to attend the entire synchronous times, register HERE. If you are unable to register at the above link, registration is full. You may add yourself to the wait list HERE.
Employment Opportunities

NADP
NADP has an opening for 20 hours/week for 6 months to help with motor boxes and sensor repairs. Please contact Mark Olson if interested.

Associate Staff Scientist position at SLAC
Associate Scientist position on Machine Learning at SLAC
Deadline: December 1st, 2020

Postdoctoral Positions in quantum thermodynamics and information in the group of Nicole Yunger Halpern, QuICS
Deadline: December 1st, 2020
For more information, please contact Elizabeth Goldschmidt.

Faculty positions in Quantum Matter and Quantum Information Science, Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics
Deadline: December 1st, 2020
Two tenure-track Faculty positions in Quantum Matter and Quantum Information Science.

Public Engagement Programs Manager
The American Physical Society (APS) is looking for Public Engagement Programs Manager. Please apply here, if interested.

Postdoctoral Appointee Quantum Information Science
Seeking postdoctoral scholars to join the Simulation & Systems Thrust of the Q-NEXT National Quantum Information Science Research Center at Argonne National Laboratory.
Please contact Martin Suchara with any questions.

Post-doctoral Fellowships in Atomic Physics and Quantum Optics at Ben-Gurion University, Israel
Deadline: February 25th, 2021
Post-doctoral researchers in the field of quantum optics, cold atoms, Bose-Einstein condensation, matter-wave interferometry, atom spectroscopy, magnetometry, and Quantum Physics in general are invited to apply. Students can apply for an International Postdoctoral Fellowships sponsored by the Zuckerman leadership program.

Funding Opportunities

Princeton Quantum Initiative Postdoctoral Fellowships 2020
Deadline: December 1st, 2020
Questions and inquiries can be sent to Andrew Houck

QISE-NET currently accepting applications
Deadline: December 15th, 2020
Graduate students partner with industry or national labs to advance innovative research topics in quantum information science and engineering.

2020 Student Research Grant Competition - Research Travel award and Conference Presentation funds.
Deadline: December 31st, 2020
Only students with dissertator status or final-year MFA students are eligible for SRGC awards. We plan to review eligibility criteria after the Fall 2020 application round.

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This newsletter is for Ph.D. students in Physics at UW–Madison; we update the mailing list at the start of each semester. Please contact phddigest@physics.wisc.edu with any questions.