# EMS Calendar of Events:

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ACADEMICS

LATE DROP DEADLINE

The Fall semester Late Drop deadline for semester-long courses is **Friday November 15th** (11/15/13). Many courses will have another mid-term exam prior to the deadline, so you'll have adequate time to assess your own situation prior to that date. Be advised that the deadline for courses that did not begin during the first week of classes will have a different (earlier) Late Drop deadline.

If you'd like to talk about your own situation, and whether to exercise your right to Late Drop a troublesome course, make arrangements to meet with Stacy, Liz or Jeff in the EMS Student Center (call 863-2751 or stop by) or with your faculty adviser.
ATTENTION STUDENTS WHO SEEK TO TAKE ACCTG 211

Those of you who either choose to take ACCTG 211 or need to take it for your major (especially EBF) please pay close attention. ACCTG 211 is a controlled course in the fall but NOT in the spring semester. If you want or need to take this course, you should really consider taking it in the spring. In the fall, it is controlled for students who are entering majors in the Smeal College of Business and the chances that any seats will be open when controls are released just one week before classes is very low. Additionally, please be aware, that no matter what section of ACCTG 211 you register for (web only, hybrid, courses with extra in-class recitation), you are free to attend the course however you choose. If you sign up for an in-class section and want to take just web, you can do that. If you sign up for a hybrid or web only, but want to go to extra in-person sections, you can do that. It is most important that you get a seat in some section of the course. If you have questions, please see your faculty adviser or one of the professional advisers in the student center.

2014 GRUNDY HAVEN STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

Do you want to earn $1,000, to get published, and to have something impressive to put on your résumé?? Then, you want to enter the Grundy Haven Paper Competition!

Each year our college fosters excellence in writing by sponsoring this competition that gives you a chance to adapt a paper you’ve written for an academic setting, or perhaps a professor or from a conference—or maybe one that you began from scratch just because you were interested in the topic—to a nontechnical audience.

You can find out more at http://www.ems.psu.edu/current_undergrad_students/grundy_haven. Deadline for submission is February 15, 2014.

Make sure to check out the winning papers from the past 4 years too. Then make an appointment with our Giles Writer-in-Residence, Del Bright (kdb9@psu.edu) to get you on your way!

CAUSE 2014 RIDGE TO REEF INFO SESSION

Information Session: CAUSE 2014 Ridge to Reef: terrestrial effects on the near-shore marine realm

- **When:** Tuesday, **November 14, 2013**
- **Time:** 5:30-6:30 PM
- **Where:** 010 Deike Building

**What:** Humanity directs numerous insults on the marine realm but the near–shore marine environment is particularly vulnerable to human activities on land, such as changing land use, increased nutrient inputs and degraded water quality, increased sedimentation and refuse disposal, the introduction of invasive species, to name a few. These local to regional impacts are superimposed on a background of hemispheric to global scale stressors related to rising sea level, higher frequency of tropical storms, higher sea surface temperatures, and increasing ocean acidification. Combined, these challenge sustainability of near–shore marine environments that provide environmental, social and economic benefits to the resident human population.

**When:** Spring (2 credits), Summer (10 day field trip-1 credit) and Fall (3 credits). Students will register for EM SC 470W.

**Where:** The field program will take place in the Caribbean, exact location to be determined. The selected island
ACADEMICS (CONTINUED)

will offer the potential to explore a range of terrestrial and marine environments with both relatively pristine and degraded land--- and seascapes. The islands being considered have all experienced substantial population growth---increasing stress on near---shore marine environments. The College of Earth and Mineral Sciences is subsidizing the course, but there will be an additional cost for the international travel of approx. $1800.00

Who: The Field program will involve land---based studies as well as SCUBA diving for coral reef surveys. The class will be open to non---divers, who will have the opportunity to obtain open water scuba diver certification if they choose to. However, diving will not be required. Any diving that does occur will be under the auspices of the Penn State Science Diving Program, and all divers must abide by the Science Diving standards and requirements.

Instructors: Lee Kump (Geosciences) lrk4@psu.edu; Robert Crane (Geography) rqc3@psu.edu; Tim White (Earth and Environmental Systems Institute) tswhite@eesi.psu.edu

Admission to the program is by Application.(Please refer to the attached Ridge to Reef flyer for more information regarding this course & the field program in the Caribbean.)

UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE IN ADVISING AWARD NOMINATIONS

Students are invited to nominate an academic adviser to be considered for the 2014 Penn State Excellence in Advising Award until November 27th. Sponsored by the University Advising Council and the Office of Undergraduate Education, the annual award honors one professional staff adviser and one faculty adviser who work full time for the University and whom students wish to recognize for their exceptional academic advising qualities.

The online nomination form is available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/excellence_in_advising_psu. Contact Dina Guthoff at dag8@psu.edu or 814-863-1947 with questions.

EMS POSTER EXHIBITION Deadline: Wednesday, November 13th, 2013!

Here's an opportunity to get YOU get some CASH this fall, build your résumé, and improve your communication skills! The Ryan Family Student Center is sponsoring the second EMS Undergraduate Poster Exhibition designed to help you accomplish the following specific goals:

- Learn how to summarize information and present it in a visually attractive manner;
- Gain more sophistication in your presentation skills by concisely and accurately explaining and defending your work;
- Demonstrate poise and mental agility before faculty and peers;
- Discuss your educational growth and maximize your networking opportunities;
- Become better prepared to participate in the spring University-wide Undergraduate Exhibition and develop a more complete EMSAGE application.

Don't think this opportunity is only for those doing laboratory research. We encourage all EMS students to participate, not only those who are collecting data. Experiential learning, creative activity, capstone projects, travel experiences, and any educational experience relevant to the study of Earth and Mineral Sciences may serve as the subject of a poster. What you did this summer might provide just what you need to enter this poster competition. Want to know more? Go to our EMS website: http://www.ems.psu.edu/ugposterexhibit
STUDENT COUNCIL / THON

NEXT MEETINGS:
- EMS Student Council – Wednesday, November 13th, at 6:00 PM in 12 Walker Building
- EMS THON – Wednesday, November 20th, at 6:00 PM in 112 Walker Building

EMEX T-SHIRT CONTEST
Design this year's EMEX t-shirt! Any shirt submitted must list all the departments, "College of EMS", and have minimal colors. Past themed t-shirt designs have included Gatorade, Twitter, and NASA. Designs are due by our next meeting on Wednesday 11/13.

ARTS INITIATIVE-WEST SIDE STORY TICKETS
West Side Story! Tuesday, 11/19 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are $10; we will all meet before the show to enjoy some free pizza. Ania will be selling tickets in the RFSC on Tue 11/12 and Wed 11/13 from 5 to 6pm.

EMS RELAY FOR LIFE AND THON PIZZA SALES:
- Upcoming EMS Relay for Life Pizza Sales: November 13; December 11; January 22; February 5
- Upcoming EMS THON Pizza Sales: November 20; December 4; January 15; January 29; February 12

IDONATE
Do you have any old cell phones, cameras, or mp3 players that you no longer use? Donate them to help benefit THON! The electronics do not have to be in working condition. The list of accepted items includes cell phone chargers and accessories, laptops, e-readers, handheld game systems, and portable hard drives. Every donation brings us one step closer to curing pediatric cancer! If interested please email EMSFundraising@psu.edu.

DONORS PLAY, EARN $1 FOR EMS EVERY WEEK:
Help the EMS Student Council and EMS Benefitting THON raise money by using your smartphone and follow these seven steps. There is no charge to you and this can be done every week! Thank you for your help!
- Step 1: Text “earth” to 650-319-7142.
- Step 2: Click link in the text.
- Step 3: Download the Donorsplay app.
- Step 4: Open Donorsplay.
- Step 5: Enter “earth” as our code.
- Step 6: Download test app (game).
- Step 7: Open test app and play it or leave it open for 5 minutes.
STUDENT COUNCIL / THON (CONTINUED)

PENNY WARS BENEFITTING THON **Deadline: December 6**th

Have spare change lying around? Help your department win penny wars! The **heaviest jar** at the end of the semester wins an ice cream social! **Department Specific** donation jars are on the Front Desk of the Ryan Family Student Center! Coin donations add weight towards the winning department, HOWEVER to create some friendly competition…. $1 bills subtract 1 lb. & $5 bills subtract 10 lbs. from the jar. You could help your department win by placing bills in the jars for other departments. All of the proceeds go to THON!

SCHOLARSHIPS

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) SCHOLARS PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SUMMER 2014

The DOE Scholars Program offers unique opportunities that introduce students or post-graduates to the agency’s mission and operations. Participants in the DOE Scholars Program gain a competitive edge as they apply their education, talent and skills in a variety of scientific research settings within the DOE complex. Appointments are available in a variety of disciplines at participating DOE facilities nationwide.

Being selected as a DOE Scholar offers the following benefits:

- Career possibilities with the nation’s leading sponsor for scientific research
- Opportunities to learn from top scientists and subject matter experts
- Stipends of up to $650 per week (depending on academic status)
- Travel arrangements to and from appointment site

Applicants must be US Citizens and undergraduates, graduates or post-graduates of an accredited college or university. The program is open to majors in: Engineering; Physical Sciences; Environmental Sciences; Computer Science and Information Technology; Physics; Business; Policy; Program Management; Mathematics; Statistics; Safety and Health; Accounting and Finance; Law; Communications; and other related areas.

Want to learn more about the DOE Scholars program? E-mail doescholars@orise.orau.gov or visit [http://orise.orau.gov/doescholars](http://orise.orau.gov/doescholars). The Possibilities! Deadline for submission: January 12, 2014.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / FUN

"Movin' On is Penn State's annual spring music festival and typically takes place on the last Friday of classes during the spring semester. The Movin' On organization is releasing a second online survey to gain student input for the Movin' On 2014 spring music festival. For this online survey, participants may choose up to six acts from the list of over thirty acts. It is important to note that the list of act names included in this survey are not indicative of who may be performing at Movin' On 2014. However, Movin' On takes student feedback seriously and would like as much direct student input as possible during the paid act selection process.

To take the survey, either go to [www.movinon.org](http://www.movinon.org) or access the survey directly at [https://pennstate.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_a4bVEkoowm13FhH](https://pennstate.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_a4bVEkoowm13FhH).

Movin' On is the largest, student-run music festival in the country and is funded by the University Park
Allocation Committee and with co-sponsorship and collaboration with UPUA, GSA, ARHS, SPA and the Lion FM. The outdoor festival is ticketless and free of charge. Movin' On is a substance-free event. For more information, please visit [www.movinon.org](http://www.movinon.org) and follow us on Facebook and Twitter (@psumovinon). Many members of the Movin' On organization are EMS students, so please support their decisions and hard work by taking the survey! "

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**Ryan Family Student Center**

**Hours:** Monday-Thursday 8:00AM to 8:00PM  
Friday 8:00AM - 5:00PM  


Your EMS RFSC Staff: Danielle, Jeff, Stacy, Liz, James, Tim, Del, Martha, Linda, Nels (Dillon and Jeff our work study students)
Information Session:

CAUSE 2014

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