Dear Earth & Mineral Sciences (EMS) Undergraduate Student,

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ACADEMICS

RESUME Critique Drop IN Hours

Do you have questions about your résumé? Would you like to tweak it to ensure you get the maximum possible benefit from each line?

Your Giles Writer-In-Residence has helped many students with their résumés, and she can help you. Come to her drop-in hours to have your résumé critiqued on September 17 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the RFSC. Or come on September 18 from 3 to 8 p.m. and meet Ellen Chamberlin, your graduate assistant writing tutor, and discover ways to improve your résumé.

Make sure to mark these dates and times in your calendar!

EMS POSTER EXHIBITION

Are you looking for an opportunity to get some CASH, to build your résumé, and to improve your communication skills? The Ryan Family Student Center is sponsoring the second annual 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.

We encourage all EMS students to participate, including freshmen. This opportunity is NOT only for those doing laboratory research. Any experiential learning, creative activity, capstone projects, travel experiences, or 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 talk over some ideas? Make an appointment with your Giles Writer-In-Residence, Kimberly Del Bright (kdb9@psu.edu). You can also go to our website: http://www.ems.psu.edu/ugposterexhibit

And plan to come to a poster workshop on October 9 in Room 8 Deike from 6 to 7 p.m. Don’t delay. The RFSC will pick up the cost for printing for “early bird” submissions.
THE EARTH AND MINERAL SCIENCES ACADEMY FOR GLOBAL EXPERIENCES (EMSAGE)

For those of you new to EMS, or new to the UP campus, you're likely wondering: what is EMSAGE and why is there a list of honored students posted in the Ryan Family Student Center? Simply put, EMSAGE is you! Every undergraduate student in EMS is, by virtue of their enrollment, a member of EMSAGE. You are a member of this academy, hence an Academician. Those of you who strive for excellence in scholarship, service, and experiential learning and global literacy can apply to graduate as an EMSAGE Laureate. This is one of your college's highest honors. Laureates are selected (via an application process) in the semester they intend to graduate.

We urge those seniors who have indicated their intent to graduate in December and who see their own years at Penn State reflected in the open-ended Laureate criteria to apply to be part of the college's cohort of Laureates. Access the EMSAGE Laureate application at http://www.ems.psu.edu/emsage_laureate.

If you wish to learn more about EMSAGE, please plan to attend the informational presentation to be Monday, September 23rd in room 010 Deike Building at 6:00 pm. Please note that Fall 2013 laureate applications are due no later than NOON on Friday, October 25, 2013.

You may also direct questions about EMSAGE to Dean Nels Shirer's office in 14 Deike. We urge all EMS undergraduates not graduating in December to embrace the EMSAGE spirit so that you will feel eligible for Laureate status in your graduation semester. You too are welcome to attend the presentation to learn more.

GRE PREPARATION COURSE

If you are considering graduate school, Penn State-UP’s Office of Career Services will be offering its popular (and low-cost) GRE preparation course again on the weekend of November 9-10, 2013 (mark your calendars early). Registration will be available on-line at https://psu-csm.symplicity.com/events/YohoGRECourses See attached flyer

STUDENT COUNCIL / THON

NEXT MEETINGS

- EMS Student Council - Wednesday September 18th, at 6:00 PM in 22 Deike Building
- EMS THON – Wednesday, September 25th, at 6:00 PM in 012 Walker Building

STALL STORIES

The Student Council has recently implemented EMS Stall Stories in Deike and Walker. Keep an eye out for them! If your student organization has anything to add, please e-mail Dakota Smith (dws5270@psu.edu).
FUTURE PIZZA SALES

Mark your calendars now for the upcoming EMS THON Pizza Sale dates:
Oct. 2; Oct. 16; Nov. 6; Nov. 20; Dec. 4; Jan. 15; Jan. 29; Feb. 12

Time: 11:00 AM-3:00 PM Deike and Walker Building Lobby. Additional information will follow at a later date.

EMS THON NOTES

It is not too late to join EMS THON in the fight against pediatric cancer!
Email Carly Hinton at emsoverall@psu.edu if you have questions or would like to be added to the email list.

Do you want to make an impact? Do you want to eat a great home cooked meal? Join us!! The first canning weekend is quickly approaching! Less than two weeks until we depart on an epic journey to make an impact by raising money For The Kids. The first weekend will take place on September 27th-29th. Canning weekends are three of the greatest weekends of the year, and you don’t want to miss out! We had signups for canning last night, so if you missed out or have any questions make sure you email our fearless canning chair, Cara at emscanning@psu.edu to SIGN UP!

CAREER SKILLS NIGHT

The EMS Student Council is hosting the Second Annual Graduates of Earth and Mineral Sciences (GEMS) Career Skills Night. Bring your resumes and try them out with our GEMS board members – most of whom are hiring officials and have a lot of experience in what a good resume should be. We’ll also have “speed interviewing” sessions where you can try out your interview skills one-on-one and get some valuable, individual advice to help you land that first job. Bring a copy of your resume!

- **When:** Wednesday, September 18th, 7:00-8:30 PM (after the EMS Student Council Meeting)
- **Where:** 22 Deike Building

CAREER RECEPTION

Join the Student Council for the annual EMS Career Reception on Thursday, September 19th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the EMS Museum (Deike Building). Students from all years are encouraged to attend. This is a great way to meet with recruiters and professionals representing a number of fields in EMS. Refreshments will be served. The Student Council will be distributing resume CDs to all employers in attendance; please e-mail Ryan Breton (rtb5153@psu.edu) your resume by Friday, September 13th to have it included

- **When:** Thursday, September 19th, 7:00 - 9:00 PM
- **Where:** EMS Museum (Deike Building)
STUDENT COUNCIL / THON (CONTINUED)

GEMS TAILGATE

A week of networking finishes off with a tailgate for the Penn State vs. Kent State football game. The Graduates of Earth and Mineral Sciences will be hosting a tailgate for undergraduates, faculty, staff, and alumni from the College of EMS. Come out for great food and an awesome opportunity to network!

- **When:** Saturday, September 21st, 2 hours prior to kickoff (TBA)
- **Where:** Porter Gardens at Lubrano Park (outside the baseball stadium)

CLUB MEETINGS

If you want your club or organization’s meetings announced, we will be happy to include them here! Just let us know!

CAREERS, JOBS, INTERNSHIPS, ETC.

CAREER FAIR RECRUITING

ERG is a multi-disciplinary consulting firm offering a broad range of professional services. We assist our clients in analyzing pollutant releases, evaluating public health risks, assessing appropriate and cost-effective control technologies, and utilizing green design and sustainable development strategies.

We're looking for bright, enthusiastic candidates with science and engineering backgrounds such as:

- Biological Systems Engineering
- Biology
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Energy Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Resource Management
- Environmental Science

Please visit us at booth CON-119 at the Penn State Career Fair on September 19, 2013, where we will be speaking with candidates about positions in our Chantilly, Virginia, office. Apply for a position by viewing our job posting on the Nittany Lion Career Network and submitting your resume and transcript. We will be interviewing on campus on October 21, 2013. To learn more about ERG, visit our website at [www.erg.com](http://www.erg.com). (See flyer attached at the end of the announcements)
CAREERS, JOBS, INTERNSHIPS, ETC. (CONTINUED)

GAIN HANDS-ON WORK EXPERIENCE

- Federal work study awards or exceptions
- Service learning with children
- Work in schools, community non-profits & nature centers
- All majors, all years, all campuses
- Open enrollment every semester
- World campus students and distance learners welcome

AMERICA READS @ PENN STATE Sites: psu.edu/americareads ARteam@psu.edu

SCHOLARSHIPS

Nothing reported at press time.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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PRINTING POLICY IN THE RFSC: (REPEAT) This semester we are continuing to allow unlimited printing by EMS undergraduate students on our two printers. We are pleased to continue granting this privilege to our students, but we must caution all students to respect this resource. In past semesters, a few students have abused this privilege by printing excessive numbers of pages, which has driven up the costs considerably. If this excessive printing continues, then we may need to change our policy in future semesters.

Beginning this semester, we will be monitoring each individual’s usage to identify those who are printing an unusually large number of pages; the wise student will be thoughtful and judicious and off the overage radar.

Please do your part throughout the semester to ensure continued free and unlimited printing for everyone.

Our hours are 8:00AM to 8:00PM Monday - Thursday, 8:00AM - 5:00PM on Friday. Find the Student Center on Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=103366709698590&ref=ts

Sign up!

Your EMS Student Center Staff: Jeff, Stacy, James, Liz, Tim, Del, Martha, Nels, Linda (Dillon and Jeff our work study students)