Greetings to all! Hope you are all well!! Here’s the scoop for the busy month of April:

1. **Fall and Summer Early Registration begins Monday, April 2nd!**
   Registration dates and times are posted now on all Campus Connection accounts. Make sure you have no “Holds” on your student account or you will not be able to register!! If you need to see Julie or me, use Starfish to make an appointment ASAP! If you can’t get in to see us before you can register for classes, go ahead and register for what you think you need – don’t wait!! We can change things if necessary when we meet. Don’t forget to visit with your major advisor each semester as well!

2. **2018 Spring Grad Expo is Tuesday April 3rd!**
   If you are graduating in May, be sure to stop by the Loading Dock in the Memorial Union between 11am – 4:15pm to check out all the Expo has to offer. A complete list of displays and activities can be found at:
   

3. **S’mores for Sophomore Year is Wednesday, April 4th or Thursday, April 5th**
   S’mores for Sophomores is an event to help current freshmen students prepare for a successful sophomore year by acquainting you with the fall registration process. Advisors will be assisting with identifying enrollment date and time, determining if there are holds on accounts, and making sure that you know who your advisor is and how to connect with them. In addition to helping you prepare, this event is also a celebration of your first year at UND, and there will be s’mores themed desserts and giveaways for students! Join the event on Wednesday, April 4th in Squires Dining Center, 11am - 2pm or Thursday, April 5th in Wilkerson Commons, 11am - 2pm.

4. **Dropping a class? Changing a class to S/U Grading? Deadline for both is April 6th!**
   Remember, if you switch a class to S/U grading, and that class is a requirement for your major or a health professional school, you will have to repeat it for a grade. Summer is the best time to repeat classes – that way you don’t get behind in your studies! You can drop classes through Campus Connection any time before midnight April 6th, but you will need an advisor signature on a Registration Action form to switch a class to S/U grading – and those forms need to be in the Registrar’s Office by 4pm on April 6th. If Julie or I are not available, your major advisor can help you with this.

5. **JCPenney Columbia Mall Suit-Up Event April 8, 2018, 6:30-9:30pm**
   All of you will need professional clothing for interviews, internships, or professional jobs so here’s your chance to save some money!! Bring your UND student ID so you can:
   - Shop career dress apparel and get an additional 40% off of select Professional Career Wear - everything you need to finish your look for that interview or job – including suits, dresses, sport coats, dress pants, shoes and accessories
   - Sephora: stop by for a free mini make-over and a chance to win prizes
   - Salon: Free Salon consultation and Xpress bar hair touch up

6. **Virtual Fairs for PA schools April 10, 2018 and July 25, 2018!!**
   Here’s a really interesting opportunity from the folks at the PAEA:
   
   In an ideal world, you’d be able to visit every PA school you were interested in. You’d see the campus, chat with faculty, and get your questions answered. Well, PAEA has the next best thing: virtual fairs. Not familiar with virtual fairs? They’re a way to connect with programs right from your computer or phone. You can visit each program’s “room” to have direct access to faculty and staff. Ask questions, get application tips, and find out about admission requirements. You’ll also have access to a CASPA representative so you can get details about the application process. And it’s FREE! To register or get more info on this unique opportunity, please visit: [https://www.careereco.com/Fair/RenderPage?fairPageId=228072cc-8ffdd-44ab-a93d-a84d0146776d](https://www.careereco.com/Fair/RenderPage?fairPageId=228072cc-8ffdd-44ab-a93d-a84d0146776d)

7. **Are you applying to health professional schools this summer? Come to the meeting on April 17th!**
   For all Pre-Health students planning to apply to any kind of health professional school this summer, please come to my last informational session of the year: Summer 2018: The Application Process. We will discuss writing your personal statements, letters of recommendation etiquette and the application processes and timeline for all health professional schools. We will meet at 7:00pm in the Haugen Lecture Hall located at the south end of Columbia Hall.
8. It’s almost time to register for Fall!! Here are some tips as you plan your schedule:

Please remember, the Academic Requirement Reports currently available on your Campus Connection account may not always be 100% accurate – it is important that you continue to visit with your major advisor and your Health Sciences Advisor, the whole time you are here to avoid any surprises. This is especially true for students with transfer credits!

A list of currently approved Essential Studies Courses is posted at: http://und.edu/academics/essential-studies/. Click on “Approved Courses” in the green box on the right and navigate from there. Occasionally classes are added, removed or reclassified from year to year, so it is always a good idea to double check every semester before you register!!

When searching for classes to take next fall on in Campus Connection, be sure to choose Fall 2018 before hitting the search button. Please keep the following definitions in mind when it comes to selecting your classes:

1. A “Requisite” is another word for requirement. A number of classes have requisites that need to be met in order to take them. A requisite can be anything from declaration of a particular major, enrollment in a particular program, completion of another class, or concurrent enrollment in another class.
2. A "Pre-Requisite" must be completed BEFORE you take the class (i.e., another class, declaring a specific major, etc.).
3. A "Co-Requisite" must be taken WITH the class (i.e., a lab, another class, etc.).

9. Fall 2018 Early Registration is April 2nd – April 20th!

To save you all some time, here are answers to some common registration questions we get this time of the year:

1. When can I register? At UND, students register in order of total number of credits completed. Your Campus Connection account will show the date and time you will be allowed to register for both summer and fall classes.
2. How do I register? All students must register themselves for classes through Campus Connection. We can tell you what classes to take, however registering for them is up to you!!!
3. The class I want is closed - now what? All may not be lost! Some departments use electronic waiting lists, some use manual waiting lists, and some let the professors handle things. Contact the department of the class you are trying to get into to see how to proceed from there. We cannot get you into closed classes!!!!
4. Campus Connection won’t let me sign up for a class - WHY? There are numerous reasons Campus Connection may not let you sign up for a course(s) – some of the more common ones are:
   - you have a “Hold” on your account (indicated on your Campus Connection Student Center page):
     - Business Office Hold (usually means you have an unpaid bill or parking ticket)
     - Immunization Hold (Student Health Services still needs your immunization record)
     - OAE Academic Hold (you haven’t completed the Online Alcohol Education required of all freshmen)
     - Departmental Hold (some departments require you to meet with an advisor before you may register) - We do not use Holds so if you have one, check with your major advisor
     - Financial Obligation Agreement - you must “sign” this agreement through your Campus Connection account EVERY SEMESTER before you attempt to register for classes
   - you have not completed (or are not currently in) a prerequisite for the course
   - you completed the prerequisite at another school (if the prerequisite course number on your transcript from the other school is different from the prerequisite course number here at UND, Campus Connection won't recognize it as a legitimate course - even if it is!) => contact the instructor of the course you want to take here for an override
   - you did not submit co-requisite classes together when you tried to enroll (i.e., choose both lab and lecture sections before hitting submit button)
   - there is any overlap in start and end times for classes you choose
   - you are trying to sign up for a class that is restricted to certain majors => contact instructor for permission

If Campus Connection does not allow you to register for a course, and is giving you a reason that you do not understand or makes no sense, then check with One Stop or the Registrar’s Office.

10. Restricted Classes mean more work when trying to register for them!!

Many of you may want to take one of our recommended classes that has some sort of restriction on it – this can make registration tricky! Here are a few of the more popular restricted classes:

**Anatomy 204**

Anyone may take the Anatomy 204 lecture, however most sections of the Anatomy 204 lab are restricted to specific majors. Arts and Sciences Pre-Health students may only sign up for the lab sections that are unrestricted. For Fall 2018, the unrestricted sections are 3, 6, 9, 12, and 15. Pre-Health students will not be given overrides into other sections and there will be no wait lists, so do not ask!!

**PPT 301 – Human Physiology**

PPT 301 is restricted to certain majors, so you will need an override to get into the class - even if you take it in the online format. As long as you have completed Anatomy 204 lecture (a prerequisite for PPT 301), you may get an override from the instructor, Dr. Jim Haselton. Dr. Haselton prefers to gives overrides for all of his classes electronically, so you will need to contact him by e-mail to get one (james.haselton@med.und.edu). Be sure to include your name, student ID number, and the course you want (in this case, PPT 301). Be sure to mention in your e-mail that you have completed Anatomy 204. He will send you a code to type into Campus Connection so you can register yourself for the class.
11. Attention Current Seniors - we need your feedback!!
If you have been accepted to begin graduate work somewhere for the fall of 2018, please let me know where you will be matriculating - we like to keep track of where our advisees go for future reference (and you thought once you left here you would have heard the last from us......HA HA!)
Also, please let us know how we did! Is there anything we could have done better? Do you have any suggestions for how we can improve the Pre-Health programs here at UND?

12. Attention Current Juniors!
If 2018-2019 will be your last year here, and you hope to start Medical, Osteopathic, Dental, Optometry, PA, Veterinary, Pharmacy or Podiatry school in the fall of 2019, then your applications to those schools should be submitted this summer! Most of you will need to submit your applications to those schools through their centralized application services, and these services usually take 4-6 weeks to process applications.
Remember, if you are a North Dakota resident hoping to attend Dental, Optometry or Veterinary school, you will need to fill out the PSEP Application and Resident Student Status Form from WICHE. These forms need to be completed and sent in to NDUS WICHE before you submit any professional school applications and spring break is a great time to do this!! You may download the packet containing these forms at:
http://www.ndus.edu/students/exchange-reciprocity-programs/wiche-professional-student-exchange-program-psep/

13. Some More Summer 2018 Opportunities
At this time of the year, all sorts of summer and post graduate opportunities hit my desk every week including Post Baccalaureate programs, Master’s Degree programs, career options, etc. If you are unsure of your plans for this summer or after graduation, stop in and see one of us. Here are a few local and regional opportunities for this summer:

1) Camp Good Mourning 2018
Altru Home Services Hospice is looking for volunteers for Camp Good Mourning this summer. This camp is a grief camp for children and teens who have lost an immediate family member (parent, sibling, etc.). Camp Good Mourning will take place on July 22-24 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday) at Park River Bible Camp (23 miles west of Grafton, ND). They need volunteers for Office Assistant, Registration, Counselors, Facilitators, Music Therapy, Recreational Therapy, and Arts & Crafts. A camp brochure, volunteer forms and other camp info is available at: http://www.altru.org/services/hospice/. Click on “Grief Support”.

For volunteer applications or more info call Altru’s Hospice at 780-5258.

2) Diabetes Camps 2018
• ADA Diabetes Camps in ND
The American Diabetes Association’s Diabetes Camps provide a special time for kids with diabetes—one of the best times of the summer and one that campers always remember. Kids with diabetes are kept busy with activities, building friendships and most importantly, having fun! Every Camp is a little different but all have sports, arts and crafts and other fun activities. The ADA Diabetes Camps in North Dakota this summer are at Park River Bible Camp and are on:

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Information on working for these camps and others may be found at:
http://www.altru.org/services/hospice/.

• Camp Sweet Life Adventures in MN
An independent and non-profit camp for kids with Type 1 diabetes based in Mankato, MN. Camp this year is August 12-16, 2018. For more information, or to volunteer, visit their website at campsweetlife.org or contact Robin Jordan at robin.jordan@camspsweetlife.org

14. Time to squash yet another rumor...
From time to time bizarre rumors circulate on campus and another completely false one has surfaced. Contrary to what is being propagated around campus, working in a nursing or group home as a CNA can most certainly count towards patient care hours if you are Pre-Med, Pre-Osteopathic Med or Pre-PA! Nursing or group home jobs are plentiful and a good way to sharpen your interpersonal skills depending on the setting. HOWEVER, nursing or group home jobs may not give you much exposure to doctors or what their lives are like in a hospital or clinic setting. So... if you take a nursing or group home job, you will need to supplement that experience with shadowing and volunteering in hospital and clinic settings as well. You may need to pull together several different experiences to give yourself a complete picture of what being a doc or PA is really like. You need a broad background in medicine in order to have an intelligent discussion with an admissions committee during your interview!

That’s all for now – happy registering!! Kim Ruit ☺