Happy November to all!! Here are some things to keep in mind for registration and the rest of the semester:

1. Spring Early Registration has started – here are some things to know:
   a. Your registration times are posted on CC - you cannot register until your date AND time!
   b. I covered some very common questions I get this time of the year in my October newsletter – look it over before e-mailing me questions about registration, closed classes, or restricted classes like Anatomy 204 labs and PPT 301, etc. Newsletters are also posted on my Pre-Health website.
   c. Both Mbio 202 and Mbio 302 will be offered in the spring, however…. Mbio 202 is only for Nurses and MLS majors. Everybody else, especially Bio majors, needs to take Mbio 302. Please remember, you will need a microbiology lab if you are Pre-Opt, Pre-Dent, Pre-PA, Pre-Vet or Pre-Pharm.
   d. My appointments are booking up quickly, so if your time to register is before you can get in to see me, go ahead and sign up for what you think you need – do not wait!!!! We can always tweak things when you come in. Sample schedules of all the different Pre-Health programs are available in the Pre-Health Guides on my Pre-Health websites – start at: http://arts-sciences.und.edu/pre-health/.

2. The deadline to apply for December 2016 graduation is now past!
   If you have not applied, we will still consider applications but you must do it NOW! If you do not apply to graduate, you will not graduate – no exceptions!!

3. Last date to drop a class or change to S/U grading is November 10th!!
   Be sure to check with your major advisor before dropping a class – if you go below full time student status (12 credits), there can be potential problems with financial aid, campus housing, insurance, etc!
   You will need an advisor signature (your major advisor) to switch a class to S/U grading if you have completed 30 or more credits. If you have not completed 30 or more credits, you can still switch to S/U grading but you need a Dean’s signature – Dr. Karen Plumm in our main office (Montgomery 125) can help you with that!

4. Check your finals schedule now – appeals due November 10th!!
   UND Policy is that “No undergraduate student should be obliged to write three or more finals on the same day. If the student has three or more finals scheduled the same day, the student wishing an accommodation regarding final exams should contact his or her instructors to establish a mutually acceptable time to reschedule one or more of the exams. Any student request for the rescheduled final exam must be presented to the instructor before the end of the last day to drop a full term course (Nov. 10), otherwise, the student’s rescheduling right is forfeited. If an accommodation cannot be reached, he or she should contact the department chair(s) to find a mutually agreeable time. The final appeal, if no mutually convenient time has been found, will be to the Vice President for Academic Affairs.”
   You must get requests for accommodations to your instructor soon!! Final Exam Schedules are available at: http://und.edu/academics/registrar/final-exam-schedules.cfm.

5. Michigan College of Optometry rep on campus November 14th!
   Dr. Chan Rosen, UND alum and Pacific Optometry grad, will be here on Monday, November 14, 2016 from 6-9pm in the Memorial Room of the Union to visit with students. Feel free to drop by anytime or come for the short formal presentation at 7pm.

6. The 2017-18 Scholarship Central application is now open at: https://und.academicworks.com/Scholarship Central
   Scholarship Central, UND’s new online scholarship database, is home to more than 800 undergraduate, graduate and law scholarship opportunities. Applying for UND scholarships is a simple, one application process. Fill out the quick and easy Scholarship Central application, and based on profile information, your application will automatically be submitted to the appropriate scholarship committee(s) for consideration. The scholarship committees will then determine which students will be awarded scholarships based on their applications. The deadline for submitting the Scholarship Central Application is March 1, 2016.
7. 2017 MCAT and 2017 MCAT Kaplan Review Course
   If you haven't already let me know that you intend to take the MCAT in 2017, please send me an e-mail so
   I can get you on my 2017 MCATers listserve. There will be times I will need to contact you next semester!
   I am still waiting to hear from our Kaplan Rep regarding finals details on our Kaplan MCAT Review course.
   As it stands now, it looks like my tentative schedule will work with them and they will be giving us a $400 discount
   off the current price – Yay!! I will send out registration details as soon as I know!!

8. 2017 MCAT, DAT, OAT, GRE, PCAT Registration dates
   If you are planning to take one of these standardized tests next spring or summer, remember you need to
   register quite a bit in advance for them:
   ⇒ MCAT Registration for the April - June test dates is now open. Registration for July and later test dates
     will open sometime in February. The seats at the testing centers fill up quickly, so don’t wait to register!
   ⇒ DAT, OAT, GRE registration is available year round – since more test dates and seats are available for
     these tests, you only need to register for your date about 3-4 months ahead but it is best to register in
     January or February for a May or June test date
   ⇒ PCAT registration opens in March of each year and must be completed by:
      o May 20th for July test dates
      o July 5th for September test dates
      o October 7th for October test dates
      o November 4th for January test dates

9. PhysAssist Scribes has openings for medical scribes at the Altru ER!!
   Scribing is a good way for you to get the exposure to medicine that you need (especially if all of your
   patient care hours are in a nursing home). Scribing is not patient care, it is more of a highly involved shadow, but
   it is a valuable experience. PhysAssist, the company providing scribes to Altru, currently has three openings in
   the ER. If you are interested in a scribe job, or just want more information on it, contact Emily Angel by phone at
   either 817-496-1009 or 682-301-3241, or by e-mail at emily.angel@iamscribe.com.

10. Tutors needed!!
    I have had numerous requests for one-on-one tutors in Organic Chem and some of the other sciences that
    Pre-Health students need to take. If you are willing to help others out in this way, let me know!

11. UND MEDLIFE  (For more information visit: medlifeweb.org)
    Are you interested in gaining health care experience in an international and rural setting? MEDLIFE offers
    students the opportunity for students to travel abroad over their winter break and volunteer in a mobile clinic. A mobile
    clinic is exactly what it sounds like - a mobile medical station that travels to communities whose inhabitants are not able
    to make the journey to a doctor. A mobile clinic is not only a chance for students to gain health care experience, but
    also to travel abroad and experience international cultures! No Spanish or experience necessary!
    If you are interested in the MEDLIFE Club please contact them at one of the following:
    undmedlife@gmail.com
    Facebook.com/undmedlife
    https://involvement.und.edu/organization/medlife

That's all for now – have a great November!!! 😊