

10/31/2023

Dear BME Undergraduates,

Happy Halloween! I hope the semester has been off to a great start, and I can't believe we are getting ready to register for Spring 2024!



DEPARTMENT NEWS

We had a great Sophomore Orientation in September to welcome our class of 2026 to BME! We reviewed department policies, introduced faculty and staff, and gave out swag bags! The slides were circulated to all sophomores so if you did not receive it, please let me know!

NEW CHAIR!

Some of you may have heard that Dr. David Shreiber received an amazing offer to be the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs which started on October 1. While he is continuing his research lab and will be in BME occasionally, Dr. Charlie Roth has assumed the role of Interim Chair. We congratulate Dr. Roth on his new role and look forward to our department growing under his leadership!



REGISTRATION

Spring 2024 Pre-Registration begins Monday, November 6, 2023 at 9:00am! Prior to REGISTRATION, all students should meet with their advisor if they have questions or concerns. Please also contact Dr. Labazzo or Ms. Elaine Connors econnors@soe.rutgers.edu if you do not know who your advisor is! General SOE questions regarding graduation requirements, humanities courses, replacing grades, transfer classes at other colleges, etc, should be addressed to your dean or advisor at SOE.

FINAL EXAMS FALL 2023

Now is a good time to plan for finals by: (a) checking your finals schedule and making arrangements if you have any conflicts; and (b) if you have an accommodations letter through ODS, contact them early to arrange for final exam seating.

And now for your regularly scheduled registration reminders!

- **JUNIORS:** please ensure you are registered for 3 core classes plus the lab class this spring. As a reminder, you must pass 6/8 junior classes INCLUDING the 2 labs; Devices in the fall and Measurements in the spring. You CANNOT take senior design, which is a full-year course, without meeting this requirement. Keep in mind that passing 6/8 core is a MINIMUM requirement and is a safety net for students who may have to retake a class, or for students doing co-ops. By carrying junior core to senior year, you risk conflicts with senior electives you may have been excited to take, and other inconveniences.
- **SENIORS:** all 3-credit BME graduate-level courses can also count as Department Electives. In order to be considered for a graduate course, you MUST follow these instructions:

- 1) Have a 3.0 GPA
- 2) GET PERMISSION FROM THE INSTRUCTOR IN AN EMAIL
- 3) Forward that email to Ms. Elaine Connors for your SPN.

PLEASE wait patiently for the SPN as all GPAs need to be verified! Please do not send multiple emails!

Failure to follow any of these steps will risk a delay in your request and possibly missing getting into a class!

- PRE-MED JUNIORS and SENIORS: If you are interested in taking the 1-cr Clinical Practicum seminar in the spring, please email Dr. Berthiaume for your permission. fberthia@soe.rutgers.edu This does not count as any elective, but is a little something we can offer until a clinical immersion program becomes possible.
- ALL: APPROVED internships, co-ops and research can be used for TECHNICAL ELECTIVE credits! Please see the BME Handbook for instructions and forms which must be completed and approved BEFORE you start your internship/co-op/research. **Requests for credit for past experiences will be denied.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Biomedical Engineering Society is collaborating with AEMB to host a networking event with Oxford Instruments on Wed Nov 1 from 7 pm-9 pm. Please see image for registration details!

EGC is planning the annual *Fall Food Drive*. This is a departmental competition so it's a fun way to increase BME pride and build community. A box will be placed in the BME lobby and donations will be collected from November 1st-17th. More details will be sent to students' emails soon!

INTERNSHIPS

FROM J&J:

"The Immunology Team will have several internships available for summer 2024! We have 1 clinical scientist intern position open now, but we will have several more in discovery, clinical, and translational science and medicine starting in January. **The team is looking to interview in the next few weeks.**

<https://jobs.inj.com/en/jobs/2306146543w/imm-clinical-scientist-intern-2024/>

*If you apply, please send resume to Dr. Labazzo with "J&J Immunology" in the subject to be sent directly to the hiring manager! *

CO-OP PROGRAM

If you are interested in the BME Co-Op Program, please send an email to Dr. Labazzo with "Co-op Program" in the subject by 11/10. Info session will be determined based on interest.

MEET YOUR UNDERGRADUATE DIRECTOR

If you wish to speak with me, please drop by my OPEN OFFICE HOURS every Friday from 12-2 pm in BME-107 (in the front main office).

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns!

Regards,

