

Upperclass Newsletter

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October 2013

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- Oct 29 is the add/drop deadline for second-half courses (PHED) that begin on October 23.
- Nov 8 Deadline to complete Incomplete grades from the Spring 2013 semester and the deadline to withdraw from Fall 2013 courses with a W grade or to elect the PASS/NO PASS (P/NP) option.

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- University Community Hour- Every Friday 12:30pm-2:00pm
- Oct 11 Choices Fair 2013
- Oct 21-22 Fall Break
- Oct 26 Halloween @ Home

Information for January 2014 Graduates

Planning to graduate in January 2014? Please double check your Academic Requirements Report to make sure that everything is "Satisfied."

Reasons your AR report may not indicate everything is "Satisfied" include:

Missing writing portfolioInformation on what you need to do to hand in your portfolio can be found here.

You have a class exception/
substitution and you are currently in that class. The exception will not appear in

SIS until you have a final

grade in the class. If you have not already done so, you must submit an <u>AR correction form</u> for a substitution.

IMPORTANT: If you are repeating a class for which you already have credit, please make sure that you will have earned enough hours to graduate. When you repeat a class, the hours for BOTH courses will appear in your total hours until a final grade is posted. Once the repeat process is run and the first iteration of the course is no longer bearing credit, your total hours will decrease.

Make sure you have sufficient hours once that credit is removed.

If your plans have changed and you are no longer planning to graduate in January, please contact the <u>UGS office</u> so your SIS record can be updated to ensure that you can register for the Spring 2014 semester.

Students who have not yet applied for graduation should come to the Office of Undergraduate Studies to complete a paper application.

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Take a Break to attend the Dean's Study Break

Jeffrey Wolcowitz, Dean of Undergraduate Studies, invites all undergraduate students to a study break with food and beverage on Monday, November 4 from 4:00pm to 5:30pm in the Hovorka Atrium. Study breaks are casual occasions providing an opportunity for students to chat informally with Dean Wolcowitz, guests and one another. Also, study breaks allow students an opportunity to learn more about the Office of Undergraduate Studies and express appreciation and/or concerns about CWRU, especially related to the academic experience. Students are encouraged to attend for any period of time during the event.



Dean Jeffrey Wolcowitz



Click the image above to view the Fall 2013 Schedule for SI - Supported Courses

Educational Services - Supplemental Instruction

Need additional assistance with those difficult courses?

Educational Services for Students (ESS) offers Supplemental Instruction opportunities that are regularly scheduled, studentfacilitated study sessions to allow students to ask questions, review notes, practice problems and prepare for exams. SI sessions are free and voluntary.

Sessions are led by SI leaders—students who have successfully completed the courses, are recommended by professors, and trained by ESS. During the sessions, SI leaders will facilitate an activity related to recent material covered in lectures. The goal is to involve students with material and introduce good study skills

and habits.

If you have successfully completed an SI - Supported Course and are interested in becoming an SI Leader, then click <u>here</u> to get more information.

ESS will be accepting Spring 2014 SI leader applications throughout the month of October!

National Fellowship and Scholarship Opportunities

Searching for national fellowship and scholarship opportunities? Visit the Office of Undergraduate Studies website or schedule an appointment to speak with Dean Hardy. Upcoming application deadlines include:

- October 8 Churchill
- October 15 Gates, Whitaker
- November 1 Goldwater, Truman



Choices Fair 2013

Choices Fair 2013 will be held on Friday, October 11 from 12:30pm-1:45pm in the Veale Center. The Choices Fair is mandatory for all first-year students. If you are an Upperclass or Transfer student who has not declared a major or you are considering changing your major, this event will help you explore your options.

CHOICES 2013: EXPLORING ACADEMIC & EXPERIENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES FAIR



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2013 12:30* –1:45 p.m.

Veale Center

Undeclared Upperclass Students Are Strongly Encouraged to Attend

- Meet faculty and student representatives from academic departments.
- Learn about opportunities to participate in department sponsored events throughout October and early November.
- Discover opportunities in Study Abroad, Co-Op, Research and more!

Event Sponsored by the Office of Undergraduate Studies and Bon Appétit.

Declaring a Major

Upperclass students are expected to declare a major before registering for classes for their fifth semester of enrollment. **Transfer students** are expected to declare a major before registering for their third semester at CWRU. Beyond that point, students who have not declared a major will have a registration hold placed on their accounts until they have done so.

Those who will have earned fewer than 60 credit-hours (including transfer, AP, IB, and proficiency credit) by the end of the fourth semester for students who started as first-year students, or by the end of their second semester for transfer students, may request that a dean in Undergraduate Studies allow them to register for the next semester by lifting the registration hold. Students may later change their majors should their academic interests change.

A choice or change of major or minor is not recorded for any student until the major or minor declaration form has been completed and submitted to the Office of Undergraduate Studies, 357 Sears Building.

Course Overloads

Remember students can take up to 19 hours without needing an overload. While the normal course load for students is still 15-18 hours, you are able to enroll in up to 19 hours. However, before you start enrolling in that many hours, we would urge you to ask yourself, "do I really need that extra course? Could I be spending time doing community service, volunteer work, research, etc., that I will not have time to do if I am taking 19 hours?"

To register for 20-21 hours, you must have at least a 3.200 cumulative GPA. To register for 22 or 23 hours, a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 is required. Any schedule of more than 19 hours requires dean's approval.

If you meet the requirements to overload and you want to add a class, you can email your request to Dean Dilulio (students A-D), Dean Hardy (students E-K), Dean Harris (students L-R) or Dean Butler (students S-Z). Please include how many hours you are requesting, the class that you want to add and why. We may be able to approve your request online.

Upcoming SOURCE Events

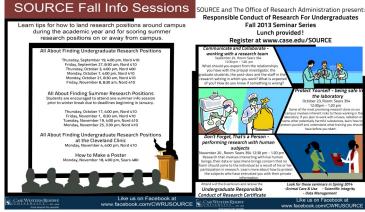
Online registration for Intersections: SOURCE Poster Session: http://www.case.edu/provost/source/intersections/intersections.html

Registration Deadline: Thursday, Nov 7, 2013

Event Date: Friday, December 6, 2013 12:00pm-2:45pm

Adelbert Gym

Click flyers below to enlarge for more upcoming SOURCE event information:



Final Exams: Verify Your Schedule Now

Make sure that all of your travel plans are after your final exams. You can find the Final Exam dates here. You should also consult your syllabi for all of your classes. Students are not required to take more than two final examinations on a single day. A student who has three final exams scheduled for a single day or two exams scheduled at the same time should expect to hear from Dean Wolcowitz after the class withdrawal deadline. If you have two final exams at the same time or three on the same day, but they are not listed in SIS, then contact Dean Wolcowitz in Undergraduate Studies, Sears 357 or 368-2928 for assistance now.

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THINK BEYOND THE POSSIBLE

Oct 11 - Choices Fair Oct 21-22 - Fall Break

Oct 26 - Halloween @ Home 2013

October 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20			23	24	25	
27	28	29	30	31		

Oct 29 - Power of Diversity Lecture Series

Oct 29 - Add/Drop Deadline for second-half courses (PHED)

Nov 4 - Dean's Study Break

REMINDER:

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Pass/No Pass Option and Deadline

If you are planning to use the Pass/No-Pass (P/NP) option for a class this semester, please complete the <u>online P/NP ballot</u>. The deadline to apply for the P/NP option is **Friday, November 8 at 5:00pm.**

- 1. You need to be enrolled in at least 3 semester hours for an evaluative grade (in addition to the class you are taking P/NP).
- 2. The course cannot be required for your major, minor, or SAGES requirement, with the following caveat: If it is a required course, you can use the P/NP option, but you will not be able to use that class to fulfill a requirement and will need to take the class again for an evaluative grade.
- It cannot be used for a class that you are already taking as a repeated course.

Students majoring in any Weatherhead School of Management major (accounting or management) may not use the Pass/No Pass option for any Weatherhead School of Management courses (ACCT, BAFI, BLAW, ENTP, LHRP, MGMT, MIDS, MKMR, OPMT, ORBH, OPRE, PLCY), either required or elective.

Class Withdrawal Deadline

Remember the last day to withdraw from a class is Friday, November 8 at 5pm. As you may already know, you can drop a class through SIS if you are in good academic standing and you will not fall below 12 hours if you drop a class. To withdraw from a class in SIS, from your student page go to the "other academic" drop-down box, and select "Enrollment: drop."

If you are not in good standing, will fall below 12 hours if you drop a course, or just want to talk to someone in the UGS office before withdrawing from the class, please stop by Sears 357. You can find walk-in hours here.

University Community Hour

The University Community Hour is scheduled every Friday during the fall and spring semesters from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. No required academic activities of any type may be scheduled during this period. The University Community Hour facilitates student and faculty attendance at campus-wide gatherings and special events, especially those that foster community building at Case Western Reserve University. See the <u>schedule</u> for more information on topics and locations.

Remember to stop by Choices Fair 2013 on Friday, October 11 to be held from 12:30pm - 1:45pm at the Veale Center. See the event information on page 3 of this newsletter!

