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You are receiving this email because you are enrolled in the MSIS/MST graduate degree programs within the Department of Informatics and Networked Systems at the School of Computing and Information. Each weekly newsletter will feature important updates on career/academic and job opportunities, department and school events, enrollment guidance and upcoming academic deadlines.



Spring Term Office Hours-Starting Tuesday, January 31, 2023:
Available in Person in IS Building Room 706
Tuesday: 2pm-4pm
Thursday: 11am-12pm or 1pm-2pm

Announcements

Have you recently seen an 'Academic Advisement Hold' on your student PeopleSoft account?

In most cases, this is normal as the Registrar places such holds right before enrollment opens for the next term. You don't have to do anything; the holds will be removed prior to your open enrollment period.

You may also have a hold if you still need to submit transcripts from a prior degree (particularly if you are in your first term in the program). If that applies to you, please see this page to find out how to have official transcripts submitted: <https://www.sci.pitt.edu/student-resources/newly-admitted-students/new-graduate-student-faq>

Are you familiar with the Enrollment Appointment Process?

Your enrollment appointment is the day and time when you can register for the Fall Term Academic Year 2023-2024. This can be found in your PeopleSoft Student Services Center under the section titled 'Enrollment Dates.'

Those students who are farther in the degree program will have an earlier enrollment appointment than those who just started.

You can find additional information on Enrollment Appointments here: [Enrollment | Office of the University Registrar | University of Pittsburgh](#)

- Enrollment appointments are assigned according to credits earned. Those students with the highest number of earned credits will be given the earliest appointments.
- **Students cannot enroll in classes prior to the date and time of their assigned enrollment appointment.**
- **Enrollment appointments cannot be changed once set.**

Events

DINS Seminar Series
A Global Perspective of Scientific Publications



Speaker: Bedoor Alshebli, Assistant Professor, Computational Social Science, NYU Abu Dhabi

March 15, 2023

11:00 am to 12 noon

In person -- Room 538-539 Conference Rooms in 130 North Bellefield Avenue (across the street from the IS Building). Refreshments will be served.

Virtual: Join Zoom Meeting <https://pitt.zoom.us/j/92448706592>

Meeting ID: 924 4870 6592

This talk presents an overall look at Bedoor AlShebli's research to date, where she examines scientific publications from a global perspective. The first part of the talk analyzes six publishers---Frontiers, Hindawi, IEEE, MDPI, PLOS, and PNAS---to understand racial and geographical disparities in terms of: (i) editorial board composition; (ii) the time spent between the submission and acceptance of a manuscript; and (iii) the number of citations a paper receives relatively to textually-similar papers. The second part of the talk examines gender inequality in the editorial boards of Elsevier journals across disciplines over the past decades. The third part focuses on homophily in scientific collaborations and examines the relationship between the ethnic diversity of co-authors and the impact of the paper they produce. The fourth and final part focuses on AI research across the globe, examining the inter-city networks of citations, collaborations, and scientists' migrations to uncover dependencies between Eastern and Western cities worldwide.

Bio: Bedoor AlShebli is an Assistant Professor of Computational Social Science at New York University Abu Dhabi, UAE. She received her PhD in Interdisciplinary Engineering in 2017 from Masdar Institute of Science and Technology, and her MSc in Computer Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Bedoor's research focuses on using data science techniques to study social phenomena, with a particular emphasis in the Science of Science. She is interested in the social and economic benefits of diversity, as well as the dynamics of social interaction and cohesion, and frames social science problems in the contexts of data science, big data, and applied machine learning. Her work appeared in major academic journals, including Nature Human Behavior, Nature Communications, Science Advances, and the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. Cumulatively, her work contributes to the fields of computational social science, data science, and machine learning.

Career/Academic Opportunities

IT System Administration - Senior/Specialist

Washington State Department of Ecology

On-site ·
Lacey, WA

Application deadline

April 23, 2023 3:00 AM

The **Information Technology Services Office (ITSO)** within the Department of Ecology is looking to fill an **IT System Administration – Senior/Specialist** position. This position is located in our **Headquarters Office** in [Lacey, WA](#). Upon hire, you must live within a commutable distance from the duty station.

In this role, you will serve as a senior level administrator within the Infrastructure and Operations Section of the Information Technology Services Office. You will ensure the resilience, availability and reliable operation of a large, diverse technical environment that supports a variety of IT and business systems and services. In addition, you will help support the infrastructure requirements of the entire agency across multiple sites throughout the state, including a large application development environment that includes development, testing and production operations.

We are looking for applicants who have a background in setting expectations and guiding skilled technical staff in successfully achieving objectives while also influencing and collaborating with other technical staff and key agency stakeholders. This is a critical and demanding role that calls for an innovative, resourceful individual. The systems and services your position supports are relied upon daily by over 2000 employees based in 10 locations statewide.

[IT System Administration - Senior/Specialist | Washington State Department of Ecology | Handshake \(joinhandshake.com\)](#)

Enrollment Dates

March 5, 2023 through March 12, 2023-University Spring Term Recess for students (no classes)

*For those planning on graduating in Spring of 2023 (otherwise known as term 2234 in PeopleSoft), you must apply to graduate to get your diploma (**and, of course, successfully complete all appropriate coursework!**)*

Here is the timeline for Term 2234:

Graduation Application Opens – 10/1/22

Graduation Application Late Fee Begins – 12/1/22

Graduation Application Closes – 4/1/23

Final Day for ETD Paperwork & D-Scholarship Upload – 4/24/23

Please be advised that if you have not yet applied to graduate, you will be charged a \$25 late fee. I would also be aware of the ETD Paperwork and D-Scholarship deadline ([Complete Your Thesis or Dissertation | School of Computing and Information | University of Pittsburgh](#)) if you are working on a Master's Thesis.

Additional information is available in the email attached.

*******Please be advised, that if you have any questions, you can always reach out to me via the email and phone number below. *******

The DINS Graduate Newsletter will return on Friday March 17, 2023-I hope you have found this weekly email helpful. Have a wonderful break!

Regards,

James Petraglia (Pa-trail-ya)