



The Weekly Update is the primary means of communicating general announcements and events to students by the SCI Student Services group. The Weekly Update will be sent to all students each week from the beginning of the Fall semester until commencement in May.

## > Announcements

### Hacking 4 Humanity: The Problem of Online Hate

Online hate is on the rise, leading to devastating real-world effects on individuals and communities around the world. Join the University of Pittsburgh, Carnegie Mellon University, and Duquesne University students at a multidisciplinary hackathon from March 18 - March 24 to develop new tech and policy solutions that mitigate online hate and create safer communities. If interested, please [access this page](#) to learn more and register.

### Writing Center Assistance Just for SCI Grad Students

Zack Fish in the Writing Center has five hours available each week reserved specifically for you! He is available to meet online and coach you through effective writing techniques. He can work with you from the planning stage all the way to publication.

Keep in mind that although part of his role will be to help with grammar and word choice issues, he is not an editor! Instead, he will talk with you about writing and help you strategize the use of the best communication techniques.

If interested, please visit [the Writing Center site](#) and use their online scheduler to set up an appointment with Zack.

## > Events

### March 21 | SCI Alumni Board Resume Review Session

If you would like some resume assistance from people in the field who graduated from our School's programs, here's your chance! You can sign up for a 1:1 resume review session with a member of the SCI Alumni Board!

[In-Person Session Sign-up](#)

[Remote Session Sign-up](#)

### March 23 | Fulbright Information Session

Offered at noon on Zoom, this information session gives you an opportunity to learn more about the Fulbright program and how you can apply! You can also hear from past and current Fulbrighters about their time abroad. Fulbright is the U.S. government's flagship international educational exchange program and has had more than 400,000 participants from the United States and 160+ other countries since its inception in 1946. The University of Pittsburgh was named a Fulbright Top Producing Institution for U.S. Students for the 2022-23 academic year. If interested, [please access this link to register](#).

### March 24 | 50th Anniversary of Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies at Pitt

This all-day event will feature Keynote Speaker La'Tasha Mayes (GSWS Alum). See the [list of events here](#).

### March 28 | CPT/ OPT Work Authorizations for SCI International Students

In this virtual presentation, offered from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., we will review the eligibility requirements, the process to apply and timelines for F-1 Curricular Practical Training (CPT), the authorization for internships before graduation and F-1 Optional Practical Training (OPT), the authorization to work in the U.S. after graduation. If interested, please [register here](#).

### March 28 | Dean's Spotlight Series: "Harnessing human-AI synergy to make the smart classroom more human and effective" - 5 – 7 p.m.

Join alumnus Vincent Aleven (Professor, Human-Computer Interaction Institute, Carnegie Mellon University) and the Intelligent Systems Program for the fourth installment in this series. Refreshments will be served. All students are welcome! [RSVP here](#) to attend virtually or in person.

### March 30 | SheLeads Women's Forum - 3 - 6 p.m

All students are invited to attend! Join Dr. Catherine Marsh (Director, IARPA) for the keynote address, "Empowerment Through Opportunity", followed by a reception with refreshments and a panel discussion featuring women leaders in technology, moderated by Provost Ann E. Cudd. [RSVP Here](#)

### March 31 | AWS Pittsburgh Cloud Computing Student Gathering

Amazon Web Services (AWS) [Academic Advocacy](#) will be in town in the William Pitt Union Lower Lounge and eager to meet with students in the Greater Pittsburgh Area! Students will learn about cloud computing through a hands-on activity and discuss career pathways with a panel of AWS employees.

**Space is limited**, so please [register through Amazon](#) as soon as possible if interested!

### April 1 | SCI 5th Year Anniversary Celebration of Students!

We invite all SCI students, faculty, and staff to celebrate the excellence of our students with us on Saturday, April 1, from 11:00 am. - 2:00 p.m. at the [Phipps Conservatory](#). Lunch will be included, as well as 5th Anniversary giveaway items, and you can tour the Phipps' 5 Senses of Splendor flower show while you are there! **If interested, PLEASE RSVP HERE BY MARCH 24.**

### April 4 | University of Pittsburgh Career Fair - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m

This career fair is specifically for jobs at Pitt for your consideration after graduation! The fair will feature various departments and schools with positions specifically available at Pitt, and is open to all job seekers. The fair is a great opportunity to discover available jobs at Pitt and to learn more about working at one of [the region's best places to work](#). The fair will take place in the William Pitt Union, Lower Lounge. Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of their resume/CV when attending the fair!

### April 28 | Lavender Graduation for LGBTQIA+ Students

Lavender Graduation starts at 6 p.m. and is an annual ceremony celebrating the achievements of undergraduate, graduate and professional students in the LGBTQIA+ community across all University of Pittsburgh campuses. The deadline for registration is April 10, 2023. [RSVP here](#).

### April 29 | SCI Graduate Recognition Ceremony

The Spring 2023 SCI Graduate Recognition Ceremony will be held on-campus from 2 - 4:30 p.m. on the first floor of Lawrence Hall. This will include a formal School-wide ceremony as well as a reception/social hour with light refreshments. All graduates who are graduating this Spring 2023 term and [have applied to graduate](#) will be emailed an RSVP invitation and more details THIS WEEK!

Additionally, Student Services will be reaching out to those who may graduate this summer with an invitation for them to attend the Spring Ceremony as well.

For a full list of upcoming SCI events, visit the [SCI calendar](#).

## **Deadlines**

### Don't forget to apply to graduate!

If you are graduating this term, you **MUST** apply to graduate, [which you can do here](#). Please note that [applying has deadlines](#) - if you apply late you will be charged a late fee. If you apply too late, you will need to wait to apply to a future term and will not receive your diploma until after the end of that term!

**For those graduating in Spring 2023, the absolute latest deadline is April 1.** If you do not apply by then, you will not be able to apply and get your diploma until the end of the summer!!!!

**For students planning to graduate in Summer 2023, the absolute latest deadline is August 1.** If you do not apply by then, you will not be able to apply and get your diploma until the end of December!!!!

For a full list of upcoming deadlines, visit the [University's Academic Calendar](#).

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