



# Weekly Update

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

### Joan T.A. Gabel named 19th University of Pittsburgh Chancellor

Joan T.A. Gabel, president and chief executive of the University of Minnesota System and Twin Cities campus, will become the University of Pittsburgh's 19th chancellor. Read more [here](#).

### Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. During this month we engage in education and dialogue aimed at eradicating sexual violence. It is also a time when we hold space for the survivors on Pitt's campus. This is a time when we honor our community members who have experienced trauma. Students, faculty, and staff are welcome to [attend any events during SAAM](#), though some content may be directed at specific members of our campus community.

### Request for participants in user study: Understanding Fitbit's uses to measure outdoor activities.

- Do you run/walk/hike outdoors?
- Do you use Fitbit?
- Are you interested in participating in a [study](#) at Pitt?

Go to/click on this link: [rebrand.ly/pitt\\_studyinfo](http://rebrand.ly/pitt_studyinfo) or text or call: 412-277-8233. Compensation is provided.

### Research Study: Request for participation - Exploring User Sentiments About Sensing Within Campus Spaces

This research study aims to understand user sentiments regarding exposure to IoT devices and their sensed data within campus spaces. This study will take place using an Android application over the course of two weeks. This study will run for 2 weeks and participants will be paid up to \$51 for their participation. You can learn more [here](#).

## > Events

### April 11 | AI Assurance: A Discussion with the Department of Commerce and the White House

Join [Pitt Cyber](#) for a special event with Assistant Secretary of Commerce [Alan Davidson](#), Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), and [Alan Mislove](#), Assistant Director for Data and Democracy, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. The discussion will feature keynote remarks from Assistant Secretary Davidson and Alan Mislove, followed by a panel conversation with [Nat Beuse](#), Vice President of Safety, Aurora; [Ellen P. Goodman](#), Senior Advisor for Algorithmic Justice, NTIA; [Deb Raji](#), Fellow, Mozilla Foundation; and [Ben Winters](#), Senior Counsel, EPIC, about assurance policies to advance trustworthy AI.

Please RSVP to attend [here](#).

#### [April 12 | Trans-In Teach-In - Assembly Room of the William Pitt Union](#)

Volunteers from Pitt's [Transgender Working Group](#) are planning this series of events occurring between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Three sessions will include topics such as transgender history, standards of community care, and organizing and activism in the 21st Century. A panel discussion and luncheon also are scheduled. [Registration is requested](#) but the event is free.

#### [April 13 - 15 | Race + IP '23: "The Imperial Scholar" Revisited](#)

Offered in 2017 Cathedral of Learning, this year's conference will be hosted at the Center on Race and Social Problems in the Cathedral of Learning on the University of Pittsburgh campus, with a hybrid option for those who cannot join in person. Consistent with our commitments to access, we have made the conference free to attend, with some meals included. Information about the event, including speakers and schedule, is available [here](#). There is no fee to attend this event and you can register [here](#).

#### [April 18 | The Big Idea Center- Student Innovation Showcase -](#)

[Alumni Hall, Connolly Ballroom](#)

The Big Idea Center is helping Pitt students of all levels from across the university take their experiential Pitt education to the next level. We are nurturing the skills of innovation and entrepreneurship to equip them with the tools to lead new initiatives within companies or nonprofits, or even launch their own startup companies.

Come celebrate student innovation & entrepreneurship at Pitt with the Big Idea Center during our Student Innovation Showcase. Register [here](#).

#### [April 28 | Lavender Graduation for LGBTQIA+ Students - 6 p.m.](#)

Lavender Graduation 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 **TODAY April 10, 2023**. RSVP [here](#).

#### [April 29 | SCI Graduate Recognition Ceremony](#)

The Spring 2023 SCI Undergraduate Recognition Ceremony will be held on-campus from 5:30 - 8 p.m. in Alumni Hall. This will include a formal School-wide ceremony as well as a reception/social hour with light refreshments. All undergrads who are graduating this Spring 2023 term and have [applied to graduate](#) will be directly emailed with an RSVP invitation 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.** Since the deadline has passed for Spring 2023, if you have not already applied for Spring 2023 graduation, you will need to apply for Summer 2023 graduation (see below).

**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](#).

