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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

University of Pittsburgh Winter Commencement Ceremony

The University will be hosting a university-wide Commencement Ceremony on Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 2 p.m. in the [Peterson Event Center](#). Students who have graduated/are graduating with their bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degrees between the months of May and December 2023 will be invited to attend. **Invitations will be sent out from the Office of Special Events in mid-October.**

All details for the upcoming Winter Commencement Ceremony will be posted [here](#).

Stress-Free Zone Classes & Workshops at Pitt

Visit the Stress-Free Zone and check out their amazing resources [here](#).

Writing Center Hours for SCI Graduate Students

The following hours have been coordinated specifically to provide additional support with writing specifically for SCI Graduate Students, especially those who are English as second-language learners.

Tutor: Eleni Anastasiou

Days/times:

- Friday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Saturday 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Students can access the “**Fall 2241 Information Science ONLY**” schedule [here](#) and then will register using the Writing Center’s online scheduler, WCOonline, to make an appointment.

➤ Events

Financial Fraud Awareness Workshop | Nov. 1

Offered at 6:00 p.m. in 120 David Lawrence Hall, SCI Student Success is partnering with the OTP, UCIS, OIS, SSOE, Student Affairs, the Pitt Police, and the FBI to host a workshop on financial fraud awareness. As you may know, [financial fraud has become an increasing concern](#), and you will be

taught how to identify these scams and where you can find resources to help. Everyone is welcome to attend!

[HackRPI X | Nov. 4 - 5](#)

[HackRPI X](#) is the 10th annual intercollegiate hackathon hosted by RPI for students not only from RPI but also from all around the world. Get swag and free food as you compete for exciting prizes! With a broad range of workshops and [mentors](#) on-site, there's no experience necessary to attend. Hackers will also have the opportunity to network with our fantastic sponsors from the companies that make our event possible. This year's theme, **Change the World** is an ode to a decade inspiring students and HackRPI! Register [here](#) and join the event [Discord](#).

[University of Pittsburgh Housing Fair | Nov. 8](#)

Offered from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Lower Lounge of the William Pitt Union by [Off-Campus Housing](#), this fair will feature local landlords with properties near campus. You can compare prices, amenities, locations, etc. No RSVP is necessary, please feel free to stop by!

[Workshop to Increase Diversity in Mathematical Modeling & Public Health | Mar 4-5- Boston, MA](#)

The workshop is an annual event hosted by [Communicable Disease Dynamics at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health](#) and MIDAS Coordination Center at the University of Pittsburgh. This workshop is for undergraduates or students in a post-baccalaureate program from underrepresented groups who have an interest in public health and/or mathematical modeling, and are studying quantitative disciplines and/or public health at their home institutions. Students can [submit an application](#) anytime between now and the [deadline of Sunday, November 19, 2023 at 11:59 PM EST](#). Accepted students receive free admission to the workshop, combined with travel scholarships that cover transportation (airfare, train or bus fare to Boston) and hotel costs.

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

Deadlines

Don't forget to check the Registrar's calendar page for upcoming deadlines!

Please access the [Registrar's Calendar Page](#) for more information.

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