New this month

In this month’s newsletter, we aim to continue our goals of introducing WVSOM departments, providing eMedley tips, and listing important upcoming extracurricular events and opportunities. You will find a summary of some of the ways that the Information Technology group supports students, a description of how to find documents in eMedley, news from GME, and information about upcoming conferences. Finally, remember that the newsletter includes a link that you can use to provide feedback on how we can make this newsletter better!

eMedley Tips: Finding Documents

Because some students have indicated that they have found it difficult to locate summary documents for a course (such as syllabi), that is this month’s tip. To find documents such as these, do the following after logging into eMedley:

1. Click the Applications icon on the left (three stacked blocks) and select educate.
2. Click on the Sections icon on the right.
3. Find the appropriate course in the list.
4. Click on the document icon (two stacked pieces of paper) to see the documents for the course.
5. From this point you can open or download the document you want.
Celebrate October!

Capture WVSOM Photo Contest

The WVSOM Alumni Association is sponsoring the “Capture WVSOM” Photo contest. There is no limit to the number of photos you may submit, but each photo should fall into one of three categories:

- WVSOM Pride
- Wild and Wonderful West Virginia
- Unique Perspective

The contest is open to all WVSOM students, employees and alumni and photos must be submitted by October 23, 2020. Winning photos will be featured in the 2021 WVSOM Alumni Calendar and/or future WVSOM promotional materials.

For more information go to https://www.wvsom.edu/Alumni/Alumni_Photo_Contest.

October is LGBT History Month

Happy LGBTQ History Month! For more information about this event, please visit: https://lgbthistorymonth.com/background. If interested in getting involved with the Medical School Pride Alliance on campus, please contact president, Jack Moi, OMS-II, jmoi@osteo.wvsom.edu.

October is a Great Time to Get Outside

Every October the Orionid meteor shower peaks between October 20 and 24 when Earth passes through the trail of debris left in the path of Halley’s Comet. The skies around Lewisburg are very dark which makes it easy to spot the meteors. Meteors should be visible between midnight and dawn. So take a break from late night studying, go outside, and look up!
### General October Events

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<td>Deadline for submitting entries to the “Capture WVSOM Photo Contest”. Go to <a href="http://www.wvsom.edu/Alumni_Photo_Contest">www.wvsom.edu/Alumni_Photo_Contest</a> or see article on p. 2.</td>
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### Dates Regarding Residency Applications and The Match (From the Office of Graduate Medical Education—GME)

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<td>Military Match</td>
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<td>January 2021</td>
<td>San Francisco, Urology Residency and Military Match results are available.</td>
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<td>January 31, 2021</td>
<td>NRMP Match registration deadline</td>
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<td>February 1, 2021</td>
<td>NRMP Rank Order List opens</td>
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<td>March 3, 2021</td>
<td>NRMP ROL deadline 9 p.m. ET</td>
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<td>March 15, 2021</td>
<td>Students receive Match/Unmatch status 10:30 a.m. ET; Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program (SOAP®) begins at 11 a.m. ET</td>
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<td>March 19, 2021</td>
<td>National Resident Matching Program (NRMP®) main residency match results will be available at 1 p.m. ET.</td>
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<td>April 16, 2021</td>
<td>Deadline for students to complete GME/Alumni information sheet.</td>
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<td>May 31, 2021</td>
<td>ERAS 2021 season ends: MyERAS closes at 5 p.m. ET.</td>
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Student Peer Recovery Support

Through a partnership with Southern WV Collegiate Recovery Network and Seneca Mental Health, Inc., a peer recovery coach is assigned to the WVSOM campus. Our peer recovery coach is Gabrielle Andrews. Gabby’s role is to provide recovery support services and assistance to our students, who may be in recovery themselves and/or have friends or family in recovery. She may be reached at gandrews@osteo.wvsom.edu or by phone at 304-618-3494. She is located at the Clingman Center for Community Engagement where she will be offering a variety of classes and meetings. Some of her current events include:

- All Recovery Meetings: every Wednesday, 5pm, Clingman Center
- Recovery Craft Workshops: 1st Thursday every month, 6pm, Clingman Center
- Stress Relief Groups: every Monday, 5pm, Clingman Center.

Tutoring Services

First year students--- be sure to check out the peer tutoring offerings! We have trained tutors who are second year students ready to assist first year students with questions, study tips and review sessions. Sessions take place on TEAMS on the Tutor Team. The schedule for each upcoming week is posted on the general Tutor Teams page under the “files” tab. Tutor Hailee Peterson will be sending out reminder emails on Fridays, so look for those as well. You can chat in the tutors’ channels to let them know topics that you would like to cover and ask questions. Please take advantage of this great service to make your first year more enjoyable and more successful! If you have any questions, contact Kelley Sills, tutor coordinator, at ksills@osteo.wvsom.edu.
Conferences

October 14-15, 2020—West Virginia Rural Health Association’s 2020 Conference
The theme is West Virginia’s Resilience: Innovation in Meeting Rural Challenges. Registration to attend is still open, with Conference Scholarships available to students and community members residing anywhere in West Virginia. You can register and find out more information including how to apply for a scholarship here: https://wvrha.org/2020-conference-registration/. If you have any questions, please contact Courtney Hereford, Assistant Director of WVSOM Center for Rural and Community Health at chereford@osteo.wvsom.edu.

November 5-8 2020—WVOMA, Virtual and Asynchronous Poster session
Though WVOMA is virtual this year, there will be a poster session available throughout the WVOMA conference. Poster presentations will be virtual and asynchronous.

November 9-13 2020—Symposium on Substance Use Research
This is hosted by the University of Nebraska—Lincoln and cohosted by the Rural Drug Addiction Research (RDAR) COBRE, the COBRE on Opioids and Overdose, and the West Virginia Clinical and Translational Science Institute (WVCTSI). Each day features 2-3 virtual sessions. To learn more and register, please visit https://rdar.unl.edu/2020-symposium-substance-use-research

Other Opportunities

Work Study Positions
If you are interested in a work study job, available positions are posted on the WVSOM website at https://www.wvsom.edu/OMS/work-study

Scholarship/Service
The Rural Health Initiative (RHI) is pleased to announce an opportunity for WVSOM students, the RHI Rural Physician Service Program. The Rural Physician Service Program is a program that incentivizes WVSOM students to remain in West Virginia to practice. Students who are selected will receive a monetary award of $22,000. In exchange for the award, students agree to practice at an eligible service site within West Virginia for one year. In addition, students receive enhanced rural health training through the Rural Health Initiative (RHI) program. The service program is targeted towards first through third-year WVSOM students. Students applying are not required to be enrolled in RHI. However, once accepted into the Rural Physician Service Program recipients will be required to participate in industry activities (4-6 events during third-year) and other required RHI events (1-3 events per year). Look for the opening of applications and emails at the beginning of October! Applications will be due November 30th, 2020.

Research
Remember that there are resources for students interested in participating in Research and Scholarly Activity projects. Information on upcoming abstract submission due dates, conference presentations, and summer externships is available on this page: https://www.wvsom.edu/ORSP/Research-Students. Also available on this web page is information on how to do literature reviews, case reports, and how to get a project approved by WVSOM. Remember that all projects must be approved in advance of undertaking the project.

Finally, the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs often gets asked about how to start a research project or how to find a research mentor. The best plan for finding a research mentor is to reach out to faculty, with whom you have similar interests. Check out the faculty interests on this page: https://www.wvsom.edu/ORSP/faculty Clinicians who do not have a webpage presence may still be willing to work with you on a case report. Reach out to faculty directly.
Meet: Information Technology (IT)

Very often the Information Technology Department is likened to the Wizard of Oz, performing mechanical efforts hidden behind the “curtain” of a securely maintained data center in the Technology Building. However, the service and support efforts of the Information Technology Department affect many facets of the student experience before, during and after their time on the WVSOM campus. Here are a few highlights of the Information Technology Department’s impact to enhancing the delivery of the student’s medical education through technology:

Database and Intranet Development - The IT Department maintains both Oracle and SQL developers to support the Banner Student Information System that maintains recruit AACOMAS applications, applicant checklists for Admissions, student fee assessments, financial aid, academic history information to produce official transcripts, graduation fulfilment data, and subsequent alumni tracking efforts. This group supports customized development such as the ClinSy GTA application used for studying, access to Library subscription resources such as Up To Date, and current development to automate the site selection process for statewide campus during the students’ transition to 3rd year rotations.

Web Development - The public web site has recently been placed under the Information Technology Department and a new, modern web site with mobile responsiveness is underway. In addition to the public web site, sites under their management include the Center for Rural and Community Health, the Foundation, MSOPTI and the Robert C. Byrd Clinic.

System & Software Administration - The department maintains over 100 virtualized servers that provision applications such as the Leica Aperio Imagescope to view slides for Anatomy, the secure storage of anatomy videos, the B-Line simulation system in the Clinical Evaluation Center, the Greenway Electronic Health Record system that students use, and the large array of applications under the O365 cloud platform used for email, SharePoint, Microsoft Teams, OneNote, and OneDrive. This same server environment provisions virtual desktops to students which assists during their remote work and with specific applications that students need to utilize that are not available on their laptops.

Networking, Telecommunications, and Teleconferencing - This IT team keeps the wired and wireless network and printers operating for student connectivity, along with WVSOM’s integrated Cisco phone system that allows the WebEx conferencing solution that is being heavily used for lectures during COVID19. They also support connectivity on exam days with the eMedley AMS.

Help Desk Support - The department’s frontline service at the Help Desk offers troubleshooting to students for various hardware and software updates and issues. The Help Desk team is instrumental in imaging all new student devices and subsequent support with the vendor of the student laptops. They maintain all the inventory used by students and employees including iPads in the Anatomy lab & Library and all devices in the Clinical Evaluation Center & classrooms.

Security - Security is an area of the department’s focus with several dynamics for students. Efforts are maintained to secure personal and FERPA information in the databases, security of email communications, and account password management. However, the department is also concerned with physical security by maintaining the solar-powered emergency phone stations, notification alerts to the digital signage and campus-wide camera surveillance systems.

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Resources for Students and Alumni Participating in The Match

WVSOM GME website

Video resources

WVSOM GME Guide to the Match

WVSOM Match Data

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AAMC residency resource website

NRMP Match resource website

We want your feedback and ideas!

We want your feedback! Please use the link or QR code to let us know how we can make this newsletter more useful and to make suggestions for future topics.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XXGMXG6

Work hard, and stay safe!

("Pathogen Resistance" from xkcd.com)