Leadership Opportunities with UHP

A letter from UHP Acting Director Alex Bolinger

It was a treat to get to meet many of you last week during the Bi-Annual Honors Meeting (BAHM) sessions last week. The chance to see you in-person and to (briefly) learn about your educational journeys and career ambitions was something that I no longer take for granted after the pandemic.

Depending on which session of BAHM you went to, Dawn, Miriam, Lori, Cindy, or I shared information about many upcoming social and service events that you can attend as a member of the University Honors Program. I hope that you will take the opportunity to read through this Weekly Update and mark one (or two) events in November and December on your calendar.

(By the way, we are most in need of more students to rake during this Friday’s afternoon session of Rake-a-Difference for anyone who can join us. You can sign up at isu.edu/honors/rake/. Last weekend, I got the chance to rake five lawns with a large group of Honors students, the Mayor of Pocatello, the Chief Executive Officer of Portneuf Medical Center, the ISU women’s softball team, and the Director of the Pocatello Free Medical Clinic. You never know whom you will get to meet at Rake-a-Difference.)

I wanted to take a moment in this week’s letter, however, to highlight two of UHP’s leadership opportunities that have application deadlines this Friday, November 12th. The first is the UHP Mentor program, which gives you the opportunity to serve as part of a team that welcomes next year’s incoming Honors students and helps them to navigate their first year of life at ISU.

Being a part of the UHP Mentors program is a great way to “pay forward” the help that you have received, of course, and it is a terrific resume builder. You get the chance to work with dynamic peers who care about the Honors Program as much as you do (be sure to check out the Honors website for profiles of this year’s Mentors: https://www.isu.edu/honors/current-students/honors-student-leaders/mentors/). Moreover, being a UHP Mentor gives you the chance to work with and learn from Dawn, which is an experience worth more than gold. Maybe the biggest contribution is that UHP Mentors continue the legacy of creating the sort of welcoming, personalized experience for new students that has become a cornerstone of ISU’s Honors Program.

The second leadership opportunity with a November 12th application deadline is the UHP Envoy program. As an Envoy, you have the chance to earn an attractive scholarship and stipend (paid for up to 37 hours of work per semester) while working closely with Honors
Program staff in one of the following capacities: Event Planning, Director’s Assistant, Recruitment & Application, Alumni Relations, and Communications. For more details about each of these roles, please check out our website: https://www.isu.edu/honors/current-students/honors-student-leaders/

Last thought: Some of you might be hesitant to apply because you think that you have no chance of being selected. If so, you should know that we are still looking for enough applicants to fill all of the available leadership positions. If you have the time and enjoy working with others, could use a little bit of extra money to offset expenses, would benefit from having additional leadership experience on your resume, and (most importantly) love the Honors Program and have a desire to continue to make it better and better, please consider applying.

Until next week
– Dr. B.

**Honors Leadership Opportunities**

The deadlines for applications for Honors Envoys and Peer Mentors are approaching quickly (November 12). Both positions are a great way to serve the Honors Program and your fellow Honors students. They also look great on a resume.

**Honors Envoy**

Envoy members support Honors Leadership, are deeply involved in UHP work and recruitment, and become the face and representative of the UHP and its student members. There are typically five Envoy positions available every Fall and Spring semester.

As an internship position, Envoy positions are semester-long terms (available each Fall and Spring semester) and include a $300 scholarship and a stipend of approximately $300 (at $9 per hour, paid over the semester).

**Honors Peer Mentor**

Honors Mentors provide Honors students a resource on campus that they can rely upon to answer questions related to their education, the university, and even personal matters. Their knowledge of ISU campus resources and professional training offers new Honors students a reliable advocate for a successful college experience.

To apply for an Envoy or Peer Mentor position, visit isu.edu/honors/current-students/honors-student-leaders/

**We Still Need 10 Volunteers!**

We still need more volunteers to cover Friday, November 12 from 12:00pm-5:00pm. If you haven’t already attended your required Honors event for this semester, this event will count!

To sign up, visit: isu.edu/honors/rake.

**Learn About Management**

Come listen to Dr. Kate Duggento Cordell talk about management and entrepreneurship, specifically in healthcare. This event is hosted by the College of Business and open to all students.

Wednesday, November 10th, @5:00pm
BA 506
Zoom Meeting ID: 822 8541 0264
Passcode: 193137
Apply to be a Student Speaker for Commencement!

Are you proud to be a Bengal? Are you graduating this semester? Do you want to inspire and motivate your fellow graduates? Do you crave the challenge and reward of public speaking? Then you just might have what it takes to be a student speaker!

Applications, letters of recommendation, rough drafts, and applicant videos are due Tuesday, November 16. Visit the Student Speaker webpage for more information about the application process and other details. isu.edu/commencement/studentspeaker

INL Internships

INL is offering internships for undergrad and graduate students. The majority of INL internships are in STEM fields such as nuclear engineering, mechanical engineering, renewable energy, chemistry, physics, computer science, and cyber security. However, INL also offers internships in fields such as accounting, business, finance, marketing, communications, education, English, public health, fire protection, welding, logistics, and many others.

INL interns are paid a nationally competitive wage based on number of credits completed and degree program. To learn more or to apply for an internship, visit https://inl.gov/careers/.

Summer Internship

Both undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to apply for the following internships that will deal with a centrifugal contactor system used for binary metal separations. There are two areas to intern in.

Data Science

This work is ideal for somebody who can work independently to write code in python and has experience with statistics. This will involve developing predictive models based on sensor data and chemical conditions.

If you’re interested, please contact Ashley Shields at Ashley.Shields@inl.gov.

Visualization

This primary goal of this work is to aid in the design and development a Graphical User Interface in Vue.js, JavaScript, HTML, and CSS. The candidate must have JavaScript coding skills and it would help to have familiarity with either React or Vue.js.

If you’re interested, please contact Adam Pluth at Adam.Pluth@inl.gov.

Share Your Voice

The Pocatello Chapter of NSSLHA is looking for volunteers who will share their voices with the Human Voicebank with VocaliD. If you choose to participate, your voice will be used for individualized voices for people with AAC devices.

The event will be held on November 18 from 5 pm-7 pm in the Speech Pathology and Hearing Building (BLDG 68) on campus.

Register at: https://vocalid.co/account

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Sales Competition
The College of Business is hosting a sales competition (open to all ISU students), with live judges and cash prizes!

For more details about putting together a team and registering, please contact John Ney (ASAP!) at neyjohn@isu.edu. The deadline is November 17, so act quickly!

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UPH Club Events

All Honors students are invited to join the University Honors Student Club. The UHP Club strengthens connections among Honors students, positively impacts the community through service and enhances campus life by hosting fun activities. Here’s a look at upcoming club events.

November
11 Game Night | 8:00-10:00 PM | Honors Program Lobby (Rendezvous, 3rd floor)
Hang out and relax with fellow Honors students!

12 & 13 Rake-A-Difference
Friday, November 12, 3pm-6pm
Saturday, November 13, 10am-2pm
To register a volunteer, visit: isu.edu/honors/rake

20 Food Bank Service Project | 11:45 AM-1:45 PM
This is the busiest time of year for the Food Bank, so let’s lend a hand! We are looking for volunteers to help out. Contact KadenLee@isu.edu to let him know you’re interested.

December
2 Game Night | 8:00-10:00 PM | Honors Program Lobby (Rendezvous, 3rd floor)
In addition to playing a few games, we’ll be making ornaments for a UHP Club holiday tree.

3 Winter Formal | 8:00-11:00 PM
A special evening to recognize December 2021 graduates from the Honors Program and dance the night away! More details coming soon.