Dear Student,

This newsletter comes from the offices that provide resources for students with disabilities on the three University of Washington campuses (Seattle, Tacoma, and Bothell) in partnership with the UW Career Centers and DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology).

On page two, you’ll find information about UW Career Centers, a career development website, information about the Resume Book, and upcoming Career Fairs.

Page three talks about internship opportunities and how to join two NSF-funded projects, AccessSTEM and AccessComputing. Page four highlights student groups, the D Center, and the Disability Studies Program, and the Center for Technology and Disability Studies.

Page five highlights a scholarships website, college funding strategies, accessible science, and assistive technology.

Page six talks about the Center for Sensorimotor Neural Engineering, the UW Advisory Committee on Disability Issues, and research opportunities.

Page seven has information for veterans and discusses national student organizations.

We sincerely wish you a successful and enjoyable college experience. To request this newsletter in an alternate format or to make content suggestions, contact Scott Bellman, DO-IT program manager, at 206-685-3648 (voice/TTY) or swb3@uw.edu.
Visit UW Career Centers!

The Career Centers on each UW campus help students learn about majors, careers, and the labor market. Career counselors are available to help with resume development and improving interview skills.

UW Career Centers utilize the web-based system HuskyJobs to manage job and internship listings. Applying is easy! Find out more about HuskyJobs at http://careers.washington.edu/HuskyJobs.

Employer videos are now on the Career Center YouTube Channel. Check it out at www.youtube.com/user/TheUWCareerCenter.

Career Center websites

UW Seattle Campus
www.careers.uw.edu/

UW Tacoma Campus
www.tacoma.uw.edu/career/

UW Bothell Campus
www.uwb.edu/careers/

Check out other niche career centers as well:

Foster School of Business
foster.uw.edu/careers/undergraduate-career-services/students/

Career Center @ Engineering
www.engr.washington.edu/careercenter

Career Development and UW Students with Disabilities

The Career Development and UW Students with Disabilities website is a great place to learn about career support, advising, jobs and internships, workshops, and other resources. Learn more at careers.uw.edu/students/students-with-disabilities.

Resume Book

UW Career Services hosts a resume book that is available to employers who are looking to hire candidates with disabilities. To add yourself to this resource, please follow the directions located at careers.uw.edu/students/resume-book. The resume book is available for students and alumni of all three campuses. For more information, contact Emma O'Neill-Myers at econeill@uw.edu.

Disclosing Your Disability

There may be benefits to disclosing your disability to certain employers. To learn more, visit “Section 503 of the Rehab Act New Rules” at adata.org/factsheet/section-503-rehabilitation-act-new-rules-fact-sheet.

Government Career Fair
Tuesday, October 27th, 2:00 - 5:00 PM
Husky Union Building, UW Seattle

Science & Engineering Career Fair
Wednesday, October 28th, 12:00 - 5:00 PM
Husky Union Building, UW Seattle
Internships and Career Experiences

Workforce Recruitment Program
The Workforce Recruitment Program (WRP) connects public and private sector employers with students with disabilities. Employers seek to fill both internships and permanent positions in a variety of fields, using WRP applicants. In the fall, students complete an online application and participate in interviews. By late March, a database of student information is made available to employers. Interested employers make direct contact with students about internship and job offers. Ask your school’s disability services or career services coordinator if your school works with WRP or visit wrp.gov for more information.

Emerging Leaders Summer Internship Program for College Students with Disabilities
The Emerging Leaders internship program matches undergraduate and graduate college students with disabilities in fulfilling summer internships nationwide that provide them with meaningful leadership development and networking opportunities. Visit www.viscardicenter.org/services/nbde/emerging-leaders/students.html for more information.

ENTRY POINT! Summer Internship Opportunities

ENTRY POINT! offers outstanding internship opportunities for students with disabilities in a variety of fields, including computing. Students with disabilities can apply their skills in a real-world setting in competitive summer internships. For more information, visit www.entrypoint.org.

AAPD’s Congressional Internship Program in Washington DC
The American Association of People with Disabilities is the nation’s largest disability rights organization. AAPD’s Summer Internship Program provides the opportunity to gain hands-on professional experience to help advance your career goals. Interns will receive a stipend, mentor matching, and additional resources during the summer. Learn more at www.aapd.com/what-we-do/employment/internship-program/.

Join Projects for Students Pursuing Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Fields
Funded by the National Science Foundation, the AccessSTEM and AccessComputing projects are recruiting students in STEM fields such as biology, chemistry, physics, math, computing, engineering, aerospace, astronomy, geology, anthropology, horticulture, conservation, forensics, and many social science disciplines.

Internships: Receive assistance finding and applying for great internships.
Career Building: Learn about careers, resumes, job fairs, and networking.
Mentoring: Get support from other students, faculty, staff, and professionals.
Free USB Flash Drive: Given to new AccessSTEM students. Get yours today!

For more information, contact Scott Bellman at 206-685-3648 (voice/TTY) or swb3@uw.edu. Student applications are at www.uw.edu/doit/accessstem-team-application and www.uw.edu/accesscomputing/get-involved/students/join-accesscomputing-team, respectively.
Student Groups

**ASUW Student Disability Commission**
The Student Disability Commission was established to create communities for individuals with disabilities and their allies by providing programming, resources and a safe accessible space. For more information, including a meeting schedule, visit sdc.asuw.org or email asuwswdc@uw.edu.

**Disability Advocacy Student Alliance (DASA)**
DASA is a student group facilitated for and by students. They aim to represent student interests while working with allied student groups, the UW administration, and the off-campus community. Students with and without disabilities and people who want to learn about disability rights and advocacy are welcome to join! Visit the DASA Facebook page by searching for “UW disability revolution.” If interested in participating in DASA, please contact Joanne Woiak at jwoiak@uw.edu.

**The UW Disability and d/Deaf Culture Center**
The UW Disability and d/Deaf Culture Center fosters a climate of social justice and pride, centered on universal design, access, and diversity. It better the UW community by fostering disability and d/Deaf pride, promoting social justice through an inclusive environment, sharing resources for self-advocacy, developing educational programming, engaging stakeholders with principles of universal design, and promoting a transforming socio-cultural understanding of disability. For more information, email dcenter@uw.edu or visit us on the Seattle campus at MGH 024.

**Disability Studies Program**
Disability studies at the UW involves a multi-campus interdisciplinary group of faculty, staff, students and community members, who share an interest in questions relating to society’s understanding of disability. The undergraduate disability studies minor and the individualized studies major in disability studies provide opportunities for students to develop a strong interdisciplinary foundation in the social, legal and political framing of disability. For more information, visit the Disability Studies website at www.depts.washington.edu/distud.

Join Brown Bag Seminars hosted by the Disability Studies Program. Visit their website for dates and topics.

**Congratulations to Dr. Joanne Woiak!**
Joanne Woiak was recently elected to the Society for Disability Studies (SDS) Board of Directors! SDS is a prestigious scholarly organization dedicated to promoting the study of disability in social, cultural, and political contexts. She was also recently appointed to the Disability Studies Program’s first full-time faculty position as lecturer and assistant director. Joanne joined the Disability Studies program in 2006 and teaches Introduction to Disability Studies (DIS ST 230); History of Eugenics (B H 421); and Disability in Science Fiction (DIS ST 332). Joanne also organizes the annual Pacific and Western Disability Studies Symposium and acts as a faculty mentor to the D Center. Visit Joanne in the new Seattle campus Disability Studies Program office in Smith 017.

**Engage with the Center for Technology and Disability Studies**
The Center for Technology and Disability Studies (CTDS) is an interdisciplinary program within the Center for Human Development and Disability and the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine in the School of Medicine. For a list of CTDS activities, visit uwctds.washington.edu/.
Accessible Technology at the University of Washington
The Access Technology Center (ATC) on the Seattle Campus provides resources to improve access to computing resources for University of Washington students, faculty, and staff. The computers, software, and special equipment in the center and at other locations on UW campuses provide:

- access for blind users via speech output or Braille;
- screen magnification for people with low vision;
- alternatives to the standard keyboard and mouse;
- speech recognition software as a writing tool;
- tools to make reading and writing easier;
- accessories for comfortable computer use; and
- the capability to produce documents in alternative formats such as e-text, Braille, and large print.

For information about assistive technology on your campus, ask your disability services representative. Visit the Access Technology Center at the UW Seattle campus in Mary Gates Hall, Room 064, or consult their website at www.uw.edu/itconnect/learn/accessible/atc/.

Check Out the Scholarships Website
Check out this website that contains scholarships for students with all types of disabilities and interests. Using an interactive sorting tool, you can filter scholarships by disability or other criteria. Information includes scholarship name, deadline, description, eligibility, and links to individual sponsors. To see this page in action, visit www.uw.edu/doit/resources/scholarships.

College Funding Strategies for Students with Disabilities
Common forms of financial aid include grants, loans, work study, and scholarships. Many students use a combination of these financial aid resources. To learn more about strategies for funding your education, check out College Funding Strategies for Students with Disabilities at www.uw.edu/doit/college-funding-students-disabilities.

Intramural Activities Building
The IMA Building has accessible features including elevators, accessible showers and dressing areas, easy access to the IMA Pool, telephones and e-spots at accessible heights, a pool lift, and accessible restrooms on all four levels. There is a number of accessible pieces of fitness equipment and single station machines. For more information, contact IMA Member Services at (206) 543-4590.

Accessible Technology at the UW
The Accessible Technology website provides resources and tips related to IT accessibility, as well as opportunities for community involvement. Check it out at www.uw.edu/accessibility/.

Learn about Accessible Science
A collection of accessible science equipment is on display at the Access Technology Center in MGH 064. Come explore the equipment and learn how science can be made more accessible through the application of Universal Design. More information is available through the publication Accessible Science Equipment at www.uw.edu/doit/accessible-science-equipment.
NSF-Funded Center for Sensorimotor Neural Engineering
Over the last decade, the field of neural engineering has demonstrated to the world that a computer cursor, a wheelchair, or a prosthetic limb can be controlled using direct brain-machine and brain-computer neural signals. Future technologies will enable versatile and highly complex interactions with sophisticated environments. The Center for Sensorimotor Neural Engineering (CSNE), located in Russell Hall, collaborates with partner universities to facilitate advances in this exciting field. The CSNE is recruiting UW students with disabilities who are interested in neural engineering and brain-computer interface to participate in activities. For more information, contact Scott Bellman at swb3@uw.edu or visit the CSNE website at www.csne-erc.org/.

Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REUs) through NSF
The National Science Foundation funds REUs through its REU sites, which consist of ten or so undergraduates working in the research programs of a host institution. Each student is associated with a specific research project, where he/she works closely with the faculty and other researchers. Students are granted stipends and, in many cases, assistance with housing and travel. To browse REU sites, visit www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/index.jsp.

The Disability Studies Graduate Interest Group (DS GIG)
DS GIG brings together young scholars from an array of fields to support graduate work supporting disability studies (DS). They work with DS scholars throughout the country and organize a symposium to engage the larger DS community and undergraduate DS program. Learn more at simpcenter.org/projects/disability-studies.

Advisory Committee Encourages Input from Students
The UW Committee on Disability Issues (CDI) seeks to improve campus climate for students, staff, and faculty with disabilities. The UW Committee on Disability Issues (CDI) serves in an advisory capacity to the Vice President and Vice Provost for Minority Affairs and Diversity and the Vice President and Vice Provost for Student Life. Input and energy from members of the UW community are welcome; CDI committee members particularly encourage students, faculty, and staff to provide input, especially individuals with disabilities. For information regarding the committee or to attend a meeting, please contact Jon McGough at jondm@uw.edu.

DRS Open House
Disability Resource Services is partnering with Career Services and the Access Technology Center (ATC) for their Open House (Seattle Campus, MGH 011 and 024) on November 5th from 12-3pm. This will be a fall celebration of the 25th ADA Anniversary and also highlight October being the Disability Employment Month. The ATC will be displaying assistive technology.

Resources for Student and Alumni Veterans

UW Veterans Center
The UW Veterans Center is a place for veterans to connect with other veterans, gain access to university resources specifically designed for veterans, and find and build their community within the university. Find out more at depts.washington.edu/osfa/web/veterans.

Military Law Association
The Military Law Association is designed to help transition individuals from the military to law school and help those who wish to become military lawyers adjust to military life, by focusing on the social and community aspects of both the military and law school. For more information, contact uwsba@uw.edu.

Husky United Military Veterans
H.U.M.V is a student veteran group dedicated to creating unity, pride, and community among its members and the greater campus communities through a variety of social and educational events. To receive additional information about H.U.M.V., email uw.veterans@gmail.com, or visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/UW.HUMV.

Career Center Support
The Career Center proudly supports UW students and alumni who are veterans of the United States military through free individual career counseling, walk-in appointments, networking events, and career workshops.

More Networking Opportunities!

National Association of Law Students with Disabilities
The NALSWD is a coalition of law students dedicated to disability advocacy and the achievement of equal access, inclusion, diversity and non-discrimination in legal education and in the legal profession. NALSWD aims to support the growing number of law students with disabilities by providing a safe and supportive community to connect with other students with disabilities from across the country, networking with lawyers with disabilities, information about career opportunities, and advice on succeeding in law school and the legal profession. For more information and resources, visit www.nalswd.org/about.html.

The United States Business Leadership Network
The purpose of the Business Leadership Network is to help employers understand the value of hiring and promoting people with disabilities. There is a national organization and a chapter in Washington State. For more information about networking through the BLN, visit www.usbln.org.

COSD: Career Opportunities for Students with Disabilities
COSD is a unique consortium composed of large and small universities, national employers and US Government agencies focused on the career employment of college graduates with disabilities. COSD is funded through a grant provided by the U. S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy. For more information, visit www.cosdonline.org/.
Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, Technology

DO-IT serves to increase the participation of individuals with disabilities in challenging academic programs and careers. It promotes the use of computing and networking technologies to increase independence, productivity, and participation in education and employment. Based at the UW Seattle campus, DO-IT works with students preparing for college, in addition to those students currently attending any two- or four-year college or university.

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