COVID-19 Info

We hope that all of you are staying safe wherever you currently are. You all have been receiving lots of emails, and info gets lost. Here are the locations where you can stay up to date on things that you need to know.

- University updates will be posted to the COVID-19 website: https://Purdue.university/covid-19

How to Stay in Contact & Future Appointments

If you have any questions for any of the staff in the EEE office here are the ways you can communicate:

- Email will be the best mode of communication to office staff, including Ms. Thayer and Ms. Whelton. We expect this to increase email traffic significantly, so we thank you in advance for your patience. We will reply as soon as possible.
- In regard to job search, job offers, negotiations, coop, GEARE, and other career related questions, Ms. Whelton can be contacted via email (mwhelton@purdue.edu) to set up a meeting. Your meeting will be conducted remotely in an agreed upon manner. Continue to check the EEE job postings (internship and fulltime). Ms. Whelton will also continue to send emails regarding opportunities.
- Keep any future appointment(s) you’ve already scheduled via BoilerConnect or other means. Remaining scheduled meetings (March 16th and later) will be conducted via phone, email, Skype, etc. (this includes Registration, CODO, personal concerns, etc.).

Fall 2020 Registration Update

- Fall 2020 Time Tickets will be opening over the next few weeks
- Students who will be registering for Fall 2020 as undergraduates should have received an info email from Tammi Thayer, and a BoilerConnect Registration invitation email. May 2020 graduation candidates were NOT included. Seniors staying for graduate school in EEE should contact Prof. Howarter for advising.
- A completed Mentor form is required for Registration as reference, but the mentoring meeting and mentor signature will NOT be required. Students are welcome to interact with mentors (skype, email, etc.) if desired, but NOT required to do so. Email your Mentor form 12hrs prior to your appt time to Tammi at thayert@purdue.edu. At your appt time, call Tammi at 765.496.7238.
- It is imperative that students update their own myPurduePlan plan of study prior to their appt. Updates should include current Spring 2020 enrollment, and planned Summer/Fall 2020 courses. Find tutorials for all MPP features here.
- Reference the EEE Registration Newsletter-Fall 2020 and EEE Curriculum resources at https://engineering.purdue.edu/EEE/InfoFor/CurrentStudents under Academic Resources.
**SEEE Instructional Excellence Award**

Vote now: The SEEE Instructional Excellence Award recognizes an Environmental and Ecological Engineering faculty member for outstanding achievement in the area of teaching with emphasis on the current academic year. All students who are majoring in EEE may vote for the faculty nominee of their choice, so now is your opportunity to give your input. Please participate right now by going to the link below. The link will close on April 1. To take the survey click [here](#).

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**Spring 2020: Considering P/NP option, or Dropping a Course?**

For most, this is not a decision to make quickly if a student thinks that they could end with a letter grade of A or B. In my advising opinion (Tammi), students should delay all decisions to as close to May 1 as possible. Do your best first; then convert to P/NP if you are dissatisfied with your expected letter grade as the end of term nears. A FAQ document has been created and placed on the Registrar website. Currently it is a clickable PDF link directly under the RED text on that page; it may move or be renamed so hopefully you can find it. They are going to update the doc with instructions, but here they are if needed.

- How do students request to take their course(s) Pass/Not-Pass?
  - A student will request this change in Scheduling Assistant. There is no approval by instructor or advisor needed. (How to URL: [https://www.purdue.edu/registrar/currentStudents/students/GradeModeChanges.html](https://www.purdue.edu/registrar/currentStudents/students/GradeModeChanges.html))

- Does a student need any approvals to drop any of their current courses for Spring 2020?
  - Any course drop request made through the last Friday of classes (May 1, 2020 at 5:00pm) will need approval from the student’s academic advisor. (How to URL: [https://www.purdue.edu/registrar/currentStudents/students/HowToDrop.html](https://www.purdue.edu/registrar/currentStudents/students/HowToDrop.html))

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**Job Corner with Ms. Whelton, PE**

If you are looking for summer job opportunities, there is still time. I will continue to send emails about opportunities that generally have a short turnaround time. I also post job opportunities (full and internship/coop) on the EEE sites:

- [https://engineering.purdue.edu/EEE/Academics/InfoFor/CurrentStudents/EEERelatedFullTimeJobs](https://engineering.purdue.edu/EEE/Academics/InfoFor/CurrentStudents/EEERelatedFullTimeJobs)
- [https://engineering.purdue.edu/EEE/Academics/InfoFor/CurrentStudents/EEERelatedPartTimeJobs](https://engineering.purdue.edu/EEE/Academics/InfoFor/CurrentStudents/EEERelatedPartTimeJobs)

The CCO is a great place to find both full time and internship related opportunities. I don’t post their opportunities. If you don’t have a CCO account or haven’t looked at it this semester, please go to here: [https://www.cco.purdue.edu/#myCCO](https://www.cco.purdue.edu/#myCCO). The jobs tab of Linked In is another great way to look for jobs or even using general job search engines. Don’t forget that research counts as related experience!

There are now virtual career fairs to look for job opportunities such as the Engineering and Science virtual career fair on April 28th. Details are attached to the newsletter. The Just in Time Career Fair on April 22nd at Purdue has become virtual ([https://bit.ly/2UdlWtK](https://bit.ly/2UdlWtK)). Take advantage of virtual fairs. If you do have an opportunity, it is a good idea to check with your employer on your job status due to COVID-19. Some companies are changing their plans, but there are still opportunities.

There have been a lot of changes recently and we are all in unchartered waters. Remember I’m still here to meet with you (virtually). Email me if want to talk.

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**CCO Inside Track**

In support of Purdue University’s actions undertaken to slow the spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus and protect the health of our Purdue community, the Center for Career Opportunities will provide the following services and resources to assist you with your job search and career planning:

- For quick questions call 765-494-3981 and you will be connected to a career consultant.
- For a virtual one-on-one career planning or job search appointment click [HERE](#).
- On April 22nd, the CCO will be hosting its inaugural Virtual Just-in-Time Job Fair. More info to come.
For those still looking for internships, full-time positions or if your internship plans have since changed, we invite you to take advantage of our on-demand resources to assist you with your career preparation. Links to these resources can be found [here](#).

**Rising Seniors: EEE 48000 Senior Design**

The mainstream senior capstone design course for EEE is EEE 48000. Students take this course in their final full academic year (fall-spring) and work on the same team with the same sponsor/client through that year. If you plan to graduate in May, August or December of 2021 you will discuss enrolling EEE 48000 next fall with Tammi during your registration appointment.

- Projects are coordinated by the instructional team, and teams are formed by the instructional team based on survey results given in the 1st week of the term to those enrolled. Next year’s instructional team is Prof. Nies and Ms. Whelton.
- You can learn more about projects from previous years on the EEE site at Students > Undergraduate Programs > Opportunities for Enrichment > [Senior Design](#).

**CE 29800 - New Prerequisite in Fall 2020 registration**

- Civil Engineering has instituted prerequisite changes for CE 29800 that will be enforced beginning registration for Fall 2020. The policy is designed to maximize student success.
- Change is: MA 26100 will now be a required prerequisite, in addition to CE 29700 (a longstanding prereq).

**PSY29200WB- Beyond Mental Health**

The well-being course “Beyond Mental Health: The Science of Well-Being” will be offered this coming Fall 2020. There are no pre-requisites. College students are increasingly reporting high levels of depression and anxiety. Beyond College, societies are increasingly concerned with assessing and tracking well-being as a measure of societal progress. This course seeks to provide a scientific and psychological account of well-being. Through lectures, in-class demonstrations, exercises, readings, and hands-on outside class exercise, students successfully completing the course will be able to understand happiness and practice positive psychology exercises. The class will meet 10:30-11:45 in KRAN G016 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Course title is PSY29200WB.

**The Weekly Writer**

The Purdue writing lab is offering Virtual Sessions for students since all in-person sessions have been suspended. Virtual Sessions will be offered through both synchronous and asynchronous options:

- The Asynchronous option is E-tutoring where you have the ability to upload a document and indicate your concerns. During the appointment time, the tutor downloads the document, provides a response and comments, and returns the document to the student via the Client Report Form in WCOnline.
- The synchronous option is Online Tutoring. Online Tutoring is a chat-based option. During an online session, the tutor and client correspond via the chat space and use the virtual workspace to view and work on the document.

The Virtual Sessions are available Monday-Thursday 9am-10pm and Friday 9am-5pm. You can sign up [here](#).

**Foreign Language Placement Tests**

The current planned in person test dates for Foreign Language Placement have been cancelled. Instead placement tests will be offered online. Details will be announced once set. Online testing will be offered for students in French, German, Italian, Spanish, and Russian. Students seeking placement in Mandarin Chinese, Heritage Spanish, Latin, Japanese, and Korean will be offered in-person testing at a future date to be determined. Students in all other SLC languages (ASL, Arabic, Portuguese, Hebrew) must stay in touch with the faculty in their language to find out more about placement.
Updates about ASC Resources*

Supplemental Instruction will continue virtually starting March 29th and will continue for the remainder of the semester. The sessions will be run through WebEx Training. WebEx Training will allow the ability for breakout rooms, shared whiteboard space, and several other features that best align with the SI model of collaborative, interactive learning. Students enrolled in SI courses will be emailed with further info and will be enrolled in a SI Session Blackboard Course. Each SI-linked course will have its own folder within the Blackboard course for updates, discussion, and links to register/attend the SI sessions. Due to the structure of WebEx Training, students will need to register to attend the session; however, registration is open up until the session begins and will be automatically approved. The same amount of sessions and office hours will be held every week. Any remaining questions can be sent to academicsuccess@purdue.edu.

New ASC Webinars
The ASC will be hosting four webinars to help students develop and strengthen strategies for learning online.

- **Online Learning: Time Management & Procrastination** - Monday, March 30 at 4:30-5:30 PM EDT
- **Online Learning: Study Cycle** - Thursday, April 2 at 4:30-5:30 PM EDT
- **Online Learning: Bloom’s Taxonomy** - Tuesday, April 7 at 4:30-5:30 PM EDT
- **Online Learning: Finals Game Plan** - Monday, April 13 at 4:30-5:30 PM EDT

More info on the webinars and how to sign up can be found [here](#).

General Info

- ASC consultations and Peer Success Coaching will continue virtually.
- You can continue to submit BoilerConnect alerts to the ASC and they will continue to create cases and provide outreach to students.
- The university has created a website on Learning Remotely that includes some FAQs about how to learn in online courses along with links to the Online Student Toolkit and the Available Academic Support Resources pages. This is a great resource to direct students to - not just now during the COVID-19 situation but also in the future for any students taking online courses.

Critical Need Fund/Disaster & Emergency Student Assistance Fund-Office of the Dean of Students (Updated March 26, 2020)

The Critical Need Fund also known as the Disaster and Emergency Student Assistance Fund was established by the Office of the Dean of Students, a unit of Student Life, to help ensure that Purdue University students have access to the support and resources they need to successfully recover from unexpected financial crises and stay on track academically. Examples of assistance have including transportation costs, emergency housing, food, and replacement of essential belongings. The goal of these funds is to prevent one small emergency or unexpected expense from derailing a student’s progress towards a degree. The fund is made possible from generous donors committed to helping students.

Considering the significant disruptions caused by the current global crisis as it relates to COVID-19, we invite students to submit requests for these funds. Our process is intended to be simple and quick. The federal government has relaxed some financial aid regulations that allow for us to help students with even more efficiency. The general process for emergency fund requests includes:

- Students contacts ODOS and discusses the need ([odos@purdue.edu](mailto:odos@purdue.edu) / 765-494-1747)
  - Approvals are made on a case-by-case basis
  - Generally speaking, funds awarded will not typically exceed $500; exceptions may apply
- Unmet need is reviewed with Department of Financial Aid (DFA)
- Upon approval of request, student signs a form electronically
- In approximately 1-3 business days a Chase Quick Pay is complete
- Some items can be paid for/purchased immediately
United Way of Greater Lafayette

United Way of Greater Lafayette has been busy lately working on gathering resources and info regarding Covid19. Please bookmark this page and check back often as it continues to get updated for resources on how to help and how to get help. [https://www.uwlafayette.org/covid19-help](https://www.uwlafayette.org/covid19-help). This is a challenging time for many people and businesses, especially smaller and local ones. Reach out to those around you and offer support.

**Broadband Availability and Hotspots**

For students who may not have broadband availability, strong cell phone signals or a large data package there are 350 Wi-Fi hotspots available across Indiana which have been gathered in partnership with Purdue Extension. The list of all of the Indiana Hotspots is in link below. The name of the SSID (Wireless signal) is called Students and the password is internet4free. For those students out of state, some providers are offering WIFI hotspots as well. AT&T public hotspots are open to anyone as well as Xfinity and Spectrum hotspots. For info about complete policies you can visit their respective sites here. Resources for Students:

- Indiana Wi-Fi internet locations
- Wi-Fi resources for students
- Accessing Skype for Business

**MATLAB Access to Students**

In light of the increased demand for remote learning due to COVID-19, MathWorks has made temporary at-home access to MATLAB available to Purdue. Active students and faculty at the University can download and install MATLAB to their personally owned computers for remote learning until June 30, 2020. Active Purdue students and faculty can download and install this temporarily-licensed copy of MATLAB on their personally owned computers here. Most users will need to create a MathWorks account using their Purdue e-mail address by clicking on the Create Account link just under the sign-in boxes. If an individual already has MATLAB installed and wishes to transition to this temporary license, they simply need to make sure they’ve created their MathWorks account as described above and re-run their MATLAB installer. They will be able to select the temporary Campus-Wide License and then install any additional Toolboxes that are now available.

**Summer Scholarship Opportunities at Purdue**

**Purdue Summer Stay Scholars** - If you are selected for Summer Stay Scholars, you will receive up to $2,500 to pay your estimated summer cost of attendance not already covered by other gift aid. A $2,500 scholarship would cover full tuition and fees for a resident student and offer a sizeable decrease in the total cost for non-resident or international students. You’ll not only receive financial assistance, but the research or internship experience will greatly enhance your coursework as well as give you a head start on your career. Prof. Inez Hua and Prof. Hua Cai, both EEE faculty, have a research project available through this program. See description at [https://www.purdue.edu/summerstay/students/index.html](https://www.purdue.edu/summerstay/students/index.html), click on "Research Opportunities", then “College of Engineering” then “Modeling Stocks and Flows of Consumer Electronics in Households.”

- To qualify for Summer Stay Scholars, you must have:
  - Attended your first semester at a Purdue University campus in Fall 2019 or earlier
  - A GPA of at least 3.00 for research or at least 2.00 for internships
  - Undergraduate student status
  - Complete 9+ credit hours during Summer 2020

**Summer Finish** - Students who could graduate in August rather than waiting until December are eligible to apply for a $1,000 scholarship.

**Advisor-Initiated Scholarship** - Advisors can nominate three students who would benefit from online or on-campus summer courses for a scholarship. Preference is given to first year and second-year students needing to catch up on degree requirements. Let Tammi Thayer know if you would like to be nominated.

**Summer Housing Scholarship** - Students experiencing homelessness and students who have spent time in foster care may apply for a summer housing scholarship. This award will be applied to room and board in University Residences for Summer 2020. Please contact John Gipson at gipsonj@purdue.edu if you would benefit from this scholarship and meet the qualifications.
ONLINE LEARNING WEBINARS

TOPICS & DATES
TIME MANAGEMENT & PROCRASTINATION
MONDAY 3/30, 4:30-5:30 PM

STUDY CYCLE
THURSDAY 4/2, 4:30-5:30 PM

BLOOM’S TAXONOMY
TUESDAY 4/7, 4:30-5:30 PM

FINALS GAME PLAN
MONDAY 4/13, 4:30-5:30 PM

Register at
www.purdue.edu/asc/workshops.html
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