

#### Newsletter

**JULY 2016** 

#### **Important Dates**

#### July 15th

Career Academy Applications Due http://bit.ly/1WOavFH

### August 23rd

PRIME STEM Orientation 5:30pm-6:30pm, TA 130

# Workshops

#### July 5th

Build Winning Resumes and Cover Letters 11:00am - 12:00pm, SU 220

#### July 11th

StrengthsQuest: Discovering Your Natural Abilities 2:00pm - 3:00pm, TC II 225

#### July 27th

Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? 12:00pm - 1:00pm, SU 220

#### August 31st

Setting Financial Goals 11:00am-12:00pm, SU 224

#### September 1st

Academic Skills 11:00am-12:00pm, SU 224

# LAST CALL: STEM Career Academy

The application for the STEM Career Academy closes on July 15! The Academy is August 5th from 9am-4pm and includes hands-on workshops, keynote presentations, panels about gaining experience, and a networking session with STEM industry professionals (see attached agenda). We will have professionals from every STEM major in attendance! If you are planning on pursuing a career in STEM then this Academy is for you! Apply at http://bit.ly/1WOavFH

# Tips for Writing Personal Statements

You don't have to tell your whole life in one essay. A personal story is more memorable and fun to read. Focus on one memory—even if it's a small like your first visit to Kennedy Space Center. Share how the event has impacted your life, made you think differently, or inspired to do something. If you are having trouble getting started, come by the office!

-Jennifer Zelek, *PRIME STEM Coordinator* 

# Tutor Tip

Many students think the more hours they study the more successful they will be, but that is not necessarily true! Most students review notes or re-listen to lectures on the topic, but this shouldn't be your only method. One excellent way to study is to go over problems or questions given in class as homework, or from the textbook, without referring to the notes. Once you identify which areas you know and which you don't you can focus your time on learning that specific information. Remember if you are taking any math, chemistry, or physics courses stop by for **FREE tutoring**- Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12pm-5pm all summer!

- Ethan Pepmiller, PRIME STEM Tutor



# Scholar Spotlight: Michelle Santos-Chavez

Congratulations to Michelle Santos-Chavez, one of our Summer 2016 graduates! Michelle was our first student in the new PRIME STEM Internship program this summer. She worked for Environmental Health & Safety gaining paid work experience before graduation. Michelle says..."This internship has been a great opportunity and I have learned so much about the different laws and regulations involved in the management of hazardous waste. It is preparing me for my future career in designing wastewater treatment plants and I have really appreciated the diversity of things I have been able to do and learn." We hope to grow this internship program by rewarding all of our active students who qualify with an internship placement in their last semester! For more information email Amy.Bickel@ucf.edu.

#### Reminder: Welcome Back Orientation

August 23 is our PRIME STEM Welcome Back Orientation at 5:30pm in TA 130. We will be introducing many exciting opportunities this year that you won't want to miss. All students are required to attend. Email Amy.Bickel@ucf.edu if you have class at this time. Free dinner and a surprise gift are included!

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