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To: [UG-BIOMAJOR-L](#)
Subject: Semester start-up info from the OUB...quick survey and resources!
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[Biological Sciences- Undergraduate Major to Career Handout \(spring 2019\).pdf](#)
[Pre-Health Students Fall 2020.pdf](#)
[Graduate School Resources Fall 2020.pdf](#)

Hello!

Whether in Ithaca or elsewhere we hope this finds you well and settling into this most unusual semester! Although long, please read through this entire email! Above all else, please [reach out to the OUB](#) any time- although we continue to work remotely, we are eager to stay connected and support you in a variety of ways.

- Please take 2 minutes and [complete this anonymous survey](#) from the OUB letting us know how the semester is starting for you and suggestions you have for programming this fall! **[Please complete by THIS FRIDAY, 9/18!](#)**
- **See attachments** for information about the many **career opportunities** for bio majors, information for **pre-health students**, and some resources for students interested in pursuing **graduate school**.
- **Use the [Concentration Checklists](#)** along with published information about [major requirements](#) to keep track your progress. These [checklists](#) serve as a guide/advising tool for biological sciences foundation and concentration requirements. They are updated each year along with the Courses of Study but do not include CALS/A&S college distribution requirements. We strongly encourage all students to use this tool as well as the [Long Range Schedule Planner](#) to track your progress in the major and map out your courses semester-by-semester. Ultimately it is your responsibility to make sure you are on track to graduate. The [A&S degree audit](#) can be used to track distribution requirements in A&S and CALS students should log into [DUST](#) to monitor progress towards CALS distribution requirements.
- **Meet with your Faculty Advisor.** If you have any questions about progress in the major or your concentration, want to talk about career opportunities, research or other interests related to biology-please connect with your faculty advisor. Your faculty advisor's name can be found under "Program Advisor" in Student Center (or contact the OUB office and we can let you know).
- **Check out the [Learning Strategies Center](#)- they have some great resources, tips and strategies for navigating and being successful this semester.**
- **Stay [connected with the OUB](#) (email sent every Monday from OUB about various drop-in, appts, etc)!**

We know you get MANY emails every day, but please try to at least **skim the emails** coming from both "Biology Advising" and "OUB Bio Research" (as well as "Bio Honors", if you are in the Bio Honors Program). We try to limit our messages to only relevant opportunities for things like career development, research, summer internships, funding, field work, courses, scholarships, fellowships, service opportunities, and alumni engagements.

Together, your faculty advisor, OUB staff, Student Advisors and our College colleagues are eager to provide you with helpful information, meaningful guidance and sincere encouragement that hopefully results in a rewarding undergraduate experience. We are always open to ideas about programming, support, and ways to develop community among the ~1200 students majoring in biological sciences, so come share your thoughts with us!

Wishing you a good semester and please be in touch with us....we miss seeing you in Stimson!

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