Welcome new and returning students to fall semester!

The Scholar’s Corner Bulletin is The Graduate School’s way to inform students of events, deadlines, and other news. Look for our emails a few times a semester.

## Dates & Deadlines

- **August 22, 2019**: New Graduate Student Orientation, Mandatory
  8:00 am - Leon Johnson 339 & 346

- **August 23, 2019**: GTA Orientation for new GTAs
  8:00 am - Leon Johnson 339 & 346

- **August 26, 2019**: Classes Begin. One-credit Extension deadline.
  
  *Last day* for non-degree applications to be submitted

- **September 2, 2019**: Labor Day (no classes; offices closed)

- **September 16, 2019**: Welcome/Welcome Back BBQ
  4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Ballroom A

- **September 20, 2019**: Last day for graduate students to file Graduation Application.

[Click here to review future deadlines.](#)

## Professional Development Activities for Graduate Students

### Business Transition Readiness Workshop

**August 27, 8:00 am - 12:30pm**  
**Goodworks Ventures, 129 West Alder Street, Missoula, MT 59802**

A half-day workshop on August 27th is designed to help business owners, especially those in manufacturing, achieve more successful transitions. Montana’s first and only certified exit planning adviser will help owners identify action steps to begin “de-risking” their businesses, increase value, and improve their transition outcomes. Transition readiness is “just” good business, and owners who commit to becoming more transition ready will enjoy greater financial success, better legacy outcomes, and increased personal fulfillment. Business owners
will learn what transition readiness is, why it matters, and how to improve their personal and business outcomes.

CBE Seminar: Dr. Yakir Ophir
August 29, 4:10 pm - 5:00 pm
Roberts Hall, 312

Dr. Yakir Ophir is a research scientist at the Israel Institute for Biological Research (IIBR), where he is the head of the Laboratory of Environmental Microbiology and Biotechnology in the Department of Biotechnology. Yakir’s talk will provide an overview of the lab’s activities including treatment and prevention methods for biofilm formation in deep water wells. He will also discuss his work for the Israeli Air Force providing continuous monitoring and control of microbial contamination in fuels and fuel systems. Finally, he will highlight his bioremediation research which uses a novel two stage hydrogenotrophic biofilm-based bioreactor system to reduce nitrate and perchlorate to dinitrogen and chloride with hydrogen as the electron donor.

Kopriva Science Seminar Series
September 3, 5:15pm
Chemistry & Biochemistry Building, Byker Auditorium

Jonathan Martinson, a doctoral student in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology and recipient of a 2018 Kopriva Graduate Student Fellowship, will present "How Does Your Gut Microbiome Change Through Time?" as part of the College of Letters and Sciences's Kopriva Science Seminar Series.

Interdisciplinary Writing Groups

The Writing Center is now scheduling graduate writing groups! Writing groups provide an opportunity for you to get feedback on your work, a chance to meet other students working through similar writing challenges, and a regular meeting time to help you stay accountable to your writing deadlines. With consistent feedback, you will learn how to better convey information in ways that resonate with readers. If you would like to join a group, fill out this google form by September 6, and you will be contacted with more information. If you would like to learn more about interdisciplinary writing groups, contact Erin at erin.strickland@montana.edu.

MTIP Innovation Readiness: Market Research in Bozeman!
September 18, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
MSU TechLink Center - MMEC Conference Room

MTIP's Innovation Readiness Market Research Workshop helps early-stage technology researchers prepare and validate a strong business case for their innovation in preparation to
submit competitive proposals for federal funding like the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs.

Click here for more information or to register for MTIP Innovation Readiness

**MTIP Innovation Readiness: SBIR/STTR Phase I Proposal Writing Workshop**
*September 26, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm*
*Transportation and Systems Engineering Building, Room 333*

As part of the MTIP Innovation Readiness Series, we're pleased to bring you SBIR/STTR Phase I and Phase II Proposal Writing Workshop presented by Jim Greenwood of Greenwood Consulting Group. **The workshop will cover all agencies**, including the Department of Defense, the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. This interactive workshop will cover all aspects of writing SBIR/STTR Phase I proposals including:
- Overview of SBIR & STTR programs, eligibility, and agency differences
- Planning your SBIR/STTR proposal strategy
- Preparing the draft proposal step by step
- Proposal review process and debriefing

Click here for more information or to register for SBIR/STTR Proposal Writing Workshop

**Ongoing Library Workshops**

Throughout the year, the library holds free workshops for students and staff. Topics include citation managers, computer applications, and more. Reservations are encouraged and help a lot with planning.

[https://calendar.lib.montana.edu/calendar/workshops/](https://calendar.lib.montana.edu/calendar/workshops/)

**On and Off Campus Events to Welcome You to Fall Term**

**Bogert Farmers’ Market**
*Tuesdays, June 18- September 10, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm*
*Lindley Park, East Main Street*

Please come support your farmers’, artists, musicians, foodies, local friends and neighbors who need your help more than ever this year!
Life’s a Garden...dig it and dig in and support your downtown farmers market.

**Montana Pitmaster Classic**
August 23 (5:00 pm - 8:00 pm) - 24 (1:00 pm - 4:00 pm)
1243 West Oak Street- Kenyon Noble Lumber and Hardware

A finger lickin’, mouthwaterin’, family friendly good time + a great community event to benefit & support the Gallatin Valley YMCA The Montana Pitmaster Classic is a non-profit event created to increase awareness of the competitive world of barbeque & a community event that will benefit the Gallatin Valley YMCA. This event is a KCSB (KANSAS CITY BBQ SOCIETY) sanctioned competition where Kenyon Noble Lumber & Hardware of Bozeman is hosting 30+ professional and amateur contestants from Montana, the Northwest and Canada. All these Pitmasters will be competing for the Montana State BBQ Championship in the categories of chicken, ribs, pork and brisket. The overall highest scorer in all categories of this competition will become the Grand Master of the tournament and state champion which will make them eligible for the Kansas City Royal which is one of the biggest barbeque competitions in the world.

Gallatin Speedway Races
Every Friday until August 30, 7:35 pm
Gallatin Speedway

Gates open at 5:30,
Races start at 7:35
Adults: $14
Ages 13-17 $12
Ages 65+ $12
Kids 12 & under: Free

Gallatin Valley Farmers’ Market
Every Saturday until September 7, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Gallatin County Fairgrounds

The purpose of the Gallatin Valley Farmers’ Market is to provide an opportunity and location for local vendors of homemade food, handmade crafts and locally grown produce to market, display and sell their goods to promote economic well-being and support the development of home-based businesses.