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<td>Monday, August 20</td>
<td>Breakfast at Pamela’s Diner with Ph.D Graduate Students</td>
<td>Pamela’s Diner, 1711 Murray Avenue, Pittsburgh (Squirrel Hill), PA 15217 (412-422-9457)</td>
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<td>Fiona Fitzgerald, Alexander Hodge, Amber Lucas, Daniel Wilson</td>
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<td>Welcome New Graduate Students</td>
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<td>Departmental Welcome New Graduate Students</td>
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Tuesday, August 21

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
MI Library Tour
Melanie Gainey, Library Liaison to Biological Sciences, Huajin Wang, Biomedical Data Science Liaison, University Libraries
MI Library, Fourth Floor

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens with Ph.D. Graduate Students
Christina Akirtava, Max Cravener, Teresa Spix, Daniel Wilson
Meet inside the main entrance of Phipps Conservatory, 1 Schenley Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Lunch at The Porch with Ph.D. Graduate Students
Max Cravener, Amber Lucas, Stephanie Myal, Ian Rosner
Meet at The Porch

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Environmental Health and Safety Training, Part 1/3
Jeff Harris, Senior Chemical Safety Specialist
MI Social Room 328

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Faculty Talk 1
Charles Ettensohn, Professor
MI Social Room 328

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Faculty Talk 2
Aaron Mitchell, Professor and Department Head
MI Social Room 328

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Faculty Talk 3
Tina Lee, Associate Professor
MI Social Room 328

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Faculty Talk 4
John Woolford, Professor
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<td>MCS Active Learning Seminar&lt;br&gt;Katie Walsh, Teaching Consultant, Eberly Center</td>
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* Veronica Hinman, Professor | MI Social Room 328      |
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* Nick Giannoukakis, Adjunct Associate Professor,  
* Institute of Cellular Therapeutics – Allegheny Health Network | MI Social Room 328      |
| 11:00 a.m. – Noon | Environmental Health and Safety Training, Part 3/3  
* Andrew Lawson, Biological & Radiation Safety Officer | MI Social Room 328      |
| 1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. | Journal Club Requirements  
* Luisa Hiller, Associate Professor and Sandra Kuhlman, Associate Professor | MI Social Room 328      |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Course, Rotation, and Lab Selections  
* Aaron Mitchell, Department Head and  
* Veronica Hinman, Associate Professor | MI Social Room 328      |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Graduate Student Assembly and Mellon Fit  
* Katie Lagree and Surya Aggarwal Ph.D. Candidates | MI Social Room 328      |
| 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. | Welcome Happy Hour  
* Biological Sciences Graduate Students (MSCB & PHD) | The Yard  
736 Bellefonte Street  
Pittsburgh (Shadyside), PA 15232  
412-709-6351 |
### Friday, August 24

#### 8:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Ph.D. Advisory Committee – Individual Advising**

- Andrade (8:45 a.m.), Boothman (9:00 a.m.), Cheng (9:15 a.m.), Cundiff (9:30 a.m.), Frey (9:45 a.m.), Fu (10:00 a.m.), Gallagher (10:15 a.m.), Hsu (10:30 a.m.), McCormick (10:45 a.m.), Meyer (11:00 a.m.), Park (11:15 a.m.), Smith (11:30 a.m.), Wilkens (11:45 p.m.), Zhu (12:00 p.m.)

**MI Social Room 328**

#### 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Food Truck Lunch**
- **Coop Chicken & Waffles, Tango Food Truck, Pgh Smokehouse, and PGH Halal Food**

**MI 5th Avenue Entrance**