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<td><strong>Monday, August 19</strong></td>
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| 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Breakfast at Pamela’s Diner with Ph.D Graduate Students  
*Mary Cundiff, Fiona Fitzgerald, Alexander Hsu, and Annie Meyer* | Pamela’s Diner, 1711 Murray Avenue, Pittsburgh (Squirrel Hill), PA 15217 (412-422-9457) |
| 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. | Welcome New Graduate Students  
*Veronica Hinman, Department Head* | Mellon Institute (MI) Conference Room 348                                                  |
| 10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | Graduate Student Affairs  
*Ena Miceli, Director of Graduate Operations* | MI Conference Room 348                                                                   |
| 11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Business Office Session  
*Carol Lee, Assistant Business Manager and David Casillas, Business Manager* | MI Social Room 328                                                                        |
| 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Faculty Talk 1  
*Russell Schwartz, Professor*  
*(computationally-relevant Bio Sci faculty)* | MI Conference Room 348                                                                   |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Faculty Talk 2  
*Eric Yttri, Assistant Professor*  
*(computationally-relevant Bio Sci faculty)* | MI Conference Room 348                                                                   |
| 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. | Faculty Talk 3  
*Yongxin (Leon) Zhao, Assistant Professor* | MI Social Room 328                                                                        |
| 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Faculty Talk 4  
*Christina Lee, Associate Professor* | MI Social Room 328                                                                        |
| 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Welcome Ice Cream Social  
*New MSCB and Ph.D. Graduate Students with Faculty and Current Graduate Students* | MI Fourth Floor Foyer                                                                     |
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| 9:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m. | MI Library Tour  
Melanie Gainey, Library Liaison to Biological Sciences,  
Huijin Wang, Biomedical Data Science Liaison,  
University Libraries | MI Library, Fourth Floor       |
| 10:00 a.m.-11:15 a.m. | Carnegie Museum of Art with Ph.D. Graduate Students  
Sarah Boothman, Alyssa Lawler, and Paige Smith  
*Exhibition: Monet and the Modern City*  
Monet and his contemporaries responded to the urban industrial landscape through works that convey the power and promise of modernization. Experience Monet's famous Waterloo Bridge series in a new context as we trace artists’ exploration of the enduring theme of industry. | Meet inside the main entrance of museum 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 (right in front of the water fountain) |
| 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. | Lunch at The Porch with Ph.D. Graduate Students  
Brendan Gallagher, Nolan Frey, and Gary Wilkins | 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  
Massimo Trucco, Adjunct Professor, Institute of Cellular Therapeutics – Allegheny Health Network | MI Social Room 328              |
| 3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. | Faculty Talk 2  
Sandra Kuhlman, Associate Professor | MI Social Room 328              |
| 3:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. | Faculty Talk 3  
Veronica Hinman, Department Head and Professor | MI Social Room 328              |
| 4:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. | Faculty Talk 4  
Alison Barth, Professor | MI Social Room 328              |
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| 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Faculty Talk 1  
*Charles Ettensohn, Professor*   | MI Social Room 328        |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Faculty Talk 2  
*Huaiying Zhang, Assistant Professor* | MI Social Room 328        |
| 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Faculty Talk 3  
*Brooke McCartney, Associate Professor* | MI Social Room 328        |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Faculty Talk 4  
*Joel McManus, Associate Professor* | MI Social Room 328        |
| 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. | Environmental Health and Safety Training, Part 2/3  
*Paul Minor, EH & S Specialist* | MI Social Room 328        |
| 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | MCS Engaging Students in Active Learning  
*Sophie le Blanc, Teaching Consultant, Eberly Center* | Doherty Hall 1212         |
| 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Data Workshop (bring your laptop)  
*Sandra Kuhlman, Associate Professor, C. Joel McManus, Associate Professor* | MI Social Room 328        |
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| 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | Faculty Talk 1  
*John Woolford, Professor*                                                 | MI Social Room 328    |
| 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Faculty Talk 2  
*Jonathan Minden, Professor*                                               | MI Social Room 328    |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Faculty Talk 3  
*TBA*                                                                | MI Social Room 328    |
| 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Faculty Talk 4  
*Luisa Hiller, Associate Professor*                                        | 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  
*Jonathan Minden, Professor and John Woolford, Professor* | MI Social Room 328    |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Course, Rotation, and Lab Selections  
*Veronica Hinman, Department Head and Professor* | MI Social Room 328    |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) and Public Communication for Researchers (PCR)  
*Santiago Carrasquilla (GSA) and Evren Gokcen (PCR)* | MI Social Room 328    |
| 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | Welcome Happy Hour  
*MSCB and Ph.D. in Biological Sciences Graduate Students* | The Yard, 2nd Floor  
736 Bellefonte Street  
Pittsburgh (Shadyside), PA 15232  
412-709-6351 |

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| 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Welcome Hot and Now Donut Station  
*New MSCB and Ph.D. Graduate Students with Faculty and Current Graduate Students* | MI Library, Fourth Floor |
| 11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. | Ph.D. Advisory Committee – Individual Advising  
*Badyna (11:15 a.m.), Bowman (11:30 a.m.), George (11:45 a.m.), Nour (Noon), Tosiano (12:15 p.m.) and Zhao (12:30 p.m.)* | MI Social Room 328    |