Human Evolutionary Biology
Fall 2015 Communication Packet for Juniors

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Welcome back! We hope you are enjoying the end of your summer and are looking forward to your Junior year! Here is some information that should be helpful to you as you plan for your Fall semester in HEB.

1) New Study Card procedure

Beginning this semester, you will create your Study Card online using a "shopping cart"-style interface. Before Study Card Day (Thursday, September 10th), you must have an advising conversation with either Dr. Hooven or Dr. Frazier, and have her approve the Study Card electronically. For classes that require an instructor's signature, the instructor of record must also register his or her approval online in order to complete your course registration.

2) Meet with Dr. Hooven or Dr. Frazier during Shopping Period -- September 2-10, 2015

You need to meet with an HEB advisor by Study Card Day for general advising on matters such as requirements, course selection, post-graduation plans, and to get your Study Card approved. As a Junior, you'll want to ensure you've outlined a plan to meet all your concentration requirements, and you might want to discuss honors options (see point "4" below). Study Card day is Thursday, September 10th, 2015 -- but please don't wait until then to meet! By coming in for a meeting before Study Card Day, we can have a more relaxed, in-depth meeting, and we can have a shorter meeting when you come in to get your Study Card approved.

Both Dr. Hooven (hooven@fas.harvard.edu, 6-3809, Peabody Museum 52F) and Dr. Frazier (bfrazier@fas.harvard.edu, 5-5703, Peabody Museum 56G) will hold open office hours throughout Shopping Period -- first come, first served. For the latest schedule of office hours, be sure to visit HEB's "Contact Us" page on the Life Sciences Website, under the "HEB Office Hours" tab. (Directions to the offices are the next tab over.) Earlier meetings will be by appointment -- please email Dr. Hooven or Dr. Frazier to schedule one.

3) Courses to take this year

Please let us know if you haven't taken the Sophomore tutorial -- if so, you must take it this Spring. If you haven't taken LS 1a and LS 1b, we strongly encourage you to take them this year.

You should take your **Junior Research Seminar (JRS) this year.** Note that most have limited enrollments, and some have prerequisites. Some of the courses that qualify are below (check with Carole or Brenda for a comprehensive list!):

Term	Course #	Title
Either	HEB 91r	Supervised Reading and Research
Fall 2015	HEB 1413	Mechanics of the Human Diet (limit: 12)
	HEB 1418	Endocrinology and Behavior (limit: 8)
	HEB 1421	Teeth (limit: 6)
	HEB 1463	Molecular Evolution of Primates (limit: 10)
Spring 2016	HEB 1210	Research in Comparative Biomechanics
	HEB 1313	Stress: Research and Presentation Seminar (limit: 15)
	HEB 1419	Lab Methods in HEB (limit: 10)
	HEB 1451	Primate Functional Genetics and Genomics (limit: 12)

4) Honors Options

Information can be found in the HEB Honors Info section of the Life Sciences Concentrations website. You may attend a meeting for Juniors in late September for information about honors. As you plan your courses, keep in mind that we recommend a Supervised Reading and Research course (HEB 91r) or equivalent for Senior Thesis writers. If you have already arranged a Fall 91r, you must complete a 91r enrollment form, have your 91r instructor sign it, and return it to Dr. Hooven or Dr. Frazier by Study Card Day, Thursday, September 10th, 2015. Forms are available at the HEB Guides and Forms section of the Life Sciences Concentrations website. Your 91r instructor must also approve your Study Card online as course instructor.

Best wishes for a successful year!

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