SFP Weekly Newsletter

For the Week of August 2 - August 8

Upcoming Events

**Most events require pre-registration to attend.
**Most registrations close the day of event.

See what's happening this week.

August 3, 3:15pm, Zoom Webinar, 3:15 "not at" 315

August 4, 3:00pm, Zoom Webinar, Whitney Workshop - Preparing for Fall Recruitment and Summer 2021

August 5, 12:00pm, Zoom Webinar, Wednesday Seminar - Dr. Beverly McKeon, Turbulence in Turbulent Times

Other events of interest

Student Spotlight

Isabella Camplisson

Hometown: Sydney, Australia
Program: SURF

Meaning or origin of name:
My mum says she named me after a little girl in a British Airways ad, but my dad says he named me after Isabella Rossellini...

Tell us about your research:
Tips for Success

Soon you will be needing to write a research abstract of your summer project. To prepare, take a look at this quick tip sheet prepared by Caltech’s Hixon Writing Center.

There's a lot of evidence to suggest that consciousness is discrete: that we gather sensory input for a period off about 450ms before converting this packet of information into consciousness. My project at EPFL is to develop a neural net that mimics this discreteness and (hopefully!) show that discrete consciousness is beneficial to our functioning.

What are you looking forward to this summer?
I would go on a really long walk around the countryside and collect a bunch of the berries that are just starting to bloom and bake a pie (to be fair, I'll probably do this this weekend).

What is the first thing you will do once everything returns to "normal"?
Give all of my friends the biggest hug they've ever had - I miss them so much and can't wait to be back with my Caltech family!

Submit your photo for your chance to be featured!
Please take a minute to complete an information sheet to tell us all about YOU!
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SQ565P3T

Caltech Student Wellness Services Reminder:
Visiting students are not able to make appointments with our health and counseling services on campus. However, their website contains many recorded workshops, online screenings, and resources that are available to all students. For more information visit: https://wellness.caltech.edu/resources

Resources

**SURF Writing Resources**

The Hixon Writing Center at Caltech is here to support you and your science communication goals! We have resources to help you navigate everything from writing your reports to applying to graduate school. Check them below out below! To learn more or sign up for events visit: [https://writing.sites.caltech.edu/surf](https://writing.sites.caltech.edu/surf)

- **The SURF Writing Workshops:** A wide variety of workshops designed to help the budding scientist understand and communicate effectively across different genres of STEM communication.
- **Individual Writing Support for SURFers:** Need help communicating your ideas? Get individual support from Lilien Voong, our SURF STEM Writing Specialist. Lilien earned her PhD in Molecular Biology from Northwestern University and currently serves as a STEM Writing Specialist at the Hixon Writing Center. She has expertise in helping scientists communicate their research across multiple genres and audiences.