



Society of Women Engineers

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Ten Fun Activities to do over Winter Break

By Heather Hughes

1. Sleep
2. Eat home-cooked meals
3. Travel (near or far!)
4. Start a small project
5. Read a book (or a few)
6. Get organized
7. Hunt for an internship (read more on pages 2 & 3)
8. Learn a new skill
9. Go Christmas caroling
10. Shadow an Engineer through SWE's program!



Note from the editor:

Hey everyone,

It has been a long and eventful semester and I hope you all enjoy it!

It is already December so you can feel the holiday spirit everywhere around you!

One of the best way to start celebrating earlier is to come to ***SWE & TBP: Winter Wonderland!*** (You can get your ticket today at the General Meeting and fill out www.tinyurl.com/swetbpformal13 to make your reservation.)

It is holiday season, this is why you can find our suggestions for Winter break.

Our main topic of this newsletter is Internship!

We hope to be useful for most of you and enjoy your holiday!

Hope to see you next semester!

Top 25 Tech companies to intern

By Aleksandrina Stoyanova

When you do your research on companies keep in mind these names. Keep an eye for programs (like Shadow an Engineer) or infosessions about these companies. Personal interaction with the recruiter is really important when you are trying to get internship.

- 25) General Electric
- 24) Bechtel
- 23) General Motors
- 22) Boeing
- 21) Ford
- 20) Cisco Systems
(workshop hosted by SWE in mid January)
- 19) IBM
- 18) EMC
- 17) Hewlett-Packard
- 16) Dell
- 15) Intuit
- 14) Deloitte
- 13) Accenture
- 12) Qualcomm
- 11) Intel
- 10) Apple
- 9) Yahoo
- 8) NVIDIA
- 7) Amazon
- 6) Google
- 5) Microsoft
- 4) Facebook
- 3) LinkedIn
- 2) Genentech
- 1) Goldman Sachs



Tips for Finding a Summer Internship

By Heather Hughes

Internship hunting season is upon us and winter break offers the perfect opportunity to take some time to find the perfect summer internship. Summer internships are important not only because they give you engineering experience and help build your resume, but also because they help you to figure out what you want to do (or don't want to do) when you graduate. Whether you are a freshman or a senior there is an opportunity out there for you. There is a common misconception that you cannot get a summer internship if you are a freshman. The reality is few freshmen get summer internships because this common misconception causes few freshmen to apply for these positions.

A good place to start your search is Callisto because the companies posting on Callisto are specifically looking for Berkeley students. Callisto currently has over four thousand job listings and many of these are for engineers. Under CalJobs on Callisto you can use the "Advanced Search" option to specify exactly what you are looking for. Even if you don't fit every single qualification listed on the job post it is sometimes still worthwhile to apply if you are really interested in the position.

After you give Callisto a try, turn to the Internet and start searching for companies that you might want to work for. Let's say you are a civil engineering major, are interested in structural engineering, and are hoping to work this summer in Los Angeles. Do a search on "structural engineering companies in Los Angeles" and browse through the websites that come up. If any of the companies sounds interesting, check out the "Careers" page of their website and see if they have any open positions that you might be a good fit for. Even if there appears to be no positions, send them an email expressing your interest in that specific company and asking if they have any summer internships available.

Another great way to find and acquire an internship is through personal connections. "Personal connections" doesn't just pertain to students with a parent that works at an engineering firm. Try talking to other students who have had summer internships (like SWE members and officers!). They can tell you about how they got their internship, what their experience was like with that company and might even be able to recommend you for the position. Professors are also a great resource for finding an internship because many have close ties to industry. During office hours, talk to a professor of yours from the field that you are hoping to work in and ask if they know of any available positions or good companies to check out.

Salsa on a Rainy Night
SWE and HKN continue their ballroom tradition
By Jessica Sun

On Tuesday, November 19, despite the pouring rain outside, members of SWE and HKN gathered in the Wozniak Lounge to learn how to salsa from ballroom dancer and HKN member Kyle Lian. Starting with the basic steps and building up to more complex turns and passes, Kyle taught both the lead and follow parts as the follows rotated around the room. Thus, everybody was given a chance to meet each other and learn about each attendee's unique dancing style. The follows were each given a chance to demo as well, as they took turns dancing with Kyle. All had a great time, learning salsa steps and moving to the music as the night wore on. Afterwards, everybody enjoyed some quality chips, salsa, guacamole, maple cookies and sparkling apple cider. It is sure to be a returning event!



EWI - Evening with Industry is a large networking event open to all Cal students hosted by the Society of Women Engineers which was held in the month of November this semester. The night began with a career fair and then provides students the unique opportunity of engaging with representatives from the company of their choice over a delicious three-course dinner. Companies like LinkedIn, Cisco, Chevron, Bechtel, Genentech, and Microsoft attended the event along with other leading technology companies in the Bay Area. - This is an amazing event that can help you in your future career goals so stay tuned for next year one! - By Anusha Jain

My Grandmother's best cookiesScottish Oatmeal Shortbread

By Nicole Parker

Ingredients

- 1 cup butter
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 cup flour
- 2 1/2 cups rolled oats

Instructions

Cream butter and sugar Blend in the flour Gradually add the oatmeal, and blend in till well mixed. Using a 1" scoop form into balls on cookie sheet. Press down with a fork. Bake 325* approx 20 mins, or till golden.



We are on *Instagram* now!

Follow us @ucb_swe

Feel free to add your pictures from SWE events and add #ucb_swe or tag us :)



Picture from last week SWEet Breakfast! There will be more next semester!

Good luck on your finals! Hope to see you around next semester! Have great holiday!

CALENDAR

December 2013						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
2 General Meeting #4	3	4	5	6	7 Science Saturday & Scholar SWE & TBP Winter Wonderland	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
<u>Winter Break!</u>						

** For times, location, and up to date information on future events, please visit swe.berkeley.edu/calendar or our Facebook page.