SOCIAL EVENTS

Super Bowl Party – Sunday Feb 2 at 6pm. Join the physics grads Superbowl/commercials watch party at Charlie Prior’s house. Please RSVP to charles.prior@duke.edu to get his address & so that we have enough appetizers & beverages.

Valentine’s Social – Thurs. Feb 13 at 3:30pm in Rm 298. To honor the season of love, let GSO treat you to decadent chocolate fondue, ruby-red strawberries, and a bevvy of beverages! Get ready to indulge in hoeur d’oeuvres, sweets, friendship… and perhaps a few games!

Cookie Time! – Every Thursday at 3:30pm in the Grad Student Lounge, Rm 275 [Note: the Valentine’s Social will be Thurs Feb 13 in its place]

Spring Intramurals – Physics intramural teams have formed for soccer, basketball, ultimate frisbee, and rock climbing. For game times, contact respective team captains Aitor Bracho, Reed Hodges, Dripto Debroy/Utsav Patel, and Elise Le Boulcuit.

General Updates & News

Physics Graduate Open House – Feb 20-21. If you’re keen to help prospective physics grads and would like to help facilitate open house, volunteer with Utsav (ump@duke.edu) or Charlie (charles.prior@duke.edu)

SPS-GSO Event “What Does a Grad Student Do?” – Do you want to share your research with Duke undergraduates? What are the big questions in your field, and what part you/your group try to answer? What do you do in a typical day, what tools do you use, what skills would a new student in your field should have/will gain? Try to answer these in a short 15 minute presentation. The event will be the week of February 3rd, if you are interested contact Baran (baran.bodur@duke.edu)

PSA for Scholars@Duke – Looking to increase your professional presence online? Want to wipe your first-year mug-shot off the face of the Duke Physics webpage forever? Then check out Scholars@Duke online, a program that you can use to catalog and display your professional development as a researcher and teacher! Manage your profile by linking to your OrcidID for a publications list, write a small bio about yourself, display your hard earned fellowships and awards, and most importantly, update your professional headshot to reflect who you are today! Much of the information you put into your Scholars@Duke profile will be added to your page on the Duke Physics website – including that new fancy headshot!


Deadlines for May 2020 Graduation – Jan 25, 2020. To apply with DukeHub, click “Apply to Graduate” in Forms & Requests tab. Application won’t be saved/processed if: 1) unpaid Bursar’s balance, 2) immunization hold, 3) unverified contact info.

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SSS TALKS – Noon, Rm 298, free pizza
Jan 8 (Wednesday): Baran Bodur (“Electron neutrino - oxygen interactions in Super-K”)
Feb 7 (Friday): Andrew Seredinski (“Interference Effects in Graphene Josephson Junctions Subject to Magnetic Field”)
Feb 28 (Friday): Nick Haynes (data scientist who moved to industry after being Duke physics grad)
(Email Ryan (rhk11@phy.duke.edu) to sign up)

COLLOQUIA – Wednesdays, 3:30pm, Rm 130
Jan 29: Itai Cohen(Cornell)
Feb 12: Natalie Klco (U of Washington)
Feb 19: Haiyan Gao (Duke) (proton puzzle)
Feb 26: Kwang-Je Kim (U of Chicago) (x-ray sources)

OUTREACH

Triangle Science Share requesting STEM grads to present seminar (pizza provided) to high-schoolers (https://sites.duke.edu/triangle scienceshare/). Contact erin.conley@duke.edu for more info!

Contact Derek Leadbetter (dpl@phy.duke.edu) to get on the volunteer list!