February Professional and Scientific Council Meeting
Thursday, February 2 at 2:10 p.m. - Gallery Room - Memorial Union

Please join us for the Professional and Scientific Council meeting. All P&S employees are welcome to attend.

Cultivate Your Adventure: Register by Feb. 10 (Early bird rate ends TODAY!)
Professional and Scientific Council Professional Development Conference - February 28, 2017

Don't miss out on a full day of professional development and networking with fellow Iowa State P&S employees! Registration for this year's Professional and Scientific Council Professional Development Conference closes February 10. Register TODAY to receive the early bird registration fee of $80 (regular rate of $95 from Feb. 1-10).

In addition to great learning opportunities, you'll have a chance to have a professional headshot taken by University Photographer Chris Gannon, browse books recommended by our conference speakers at the ISU Book Store table, participate in an ISU trivia contest and watch inspiring TED Talks.

If you've already registered, you can review the conference schedule and speaker information. An email reminder will be sent to all attendees the week of the conference.

We look forward to seeing you at the Scheman Building on Feb. 28!

ISU Benefit Spotlight: Workers' Compensation

Have you ever thought about what you would do if you are injured while at work? Workers' Compensation is a program that helps to provide assistance to employees who qualify for its benefits. By definition, Workers' Compensation is "...designed to provide certain benefits to employees who sustain injuries, occupational illnesses, or occupational hearing loss arising out and in the course of their employment."
If you are injured while at work, your first step should always be to seek medical care, as needed. After you have received immediate medical assistance, you will need to report the incident through the "First Report of Injury" portal on the University Human Resources website.

The portal, as well as additional information about Workers' Compensation (including an FAQ) is available on the University Human Resources website.

New Lactation Spaces Open on Campus

Beginning this spring semester, Iowa State University announced the opening of two new lactation spaces in 365 Heady Hall and W0061 Lagomarcino Hall. These new spaces are an example of Iowa State University's commitment to support the needs of nursing mothers on campus. These rooms serve as a resource and are available to the Iowa State University community, as well as visitors.

Last spring, a committee of employees from the Professional and Scientific Council, University Human Resources (UHR) and Facilities Planning and Management (FPM), spearheaded a coordinated effort to enhance the number of lactation spaces around campus. These new spaces are a direct result of the work that was completed last year.

The addition of lactation rooms on campus makes campus a more inclusive environment, and the Professional and Scientific Council is dedicated to continue to advocate for the needs of nursing mothers.

Council Meeting Date Change

The final meeting of the Professional and Scientific Council for the 2017 fiscal year will be held on Thursday, May 25 at 2:10 p.m. This is a change from its originally scheduled date (June 1) to better accommodate anyone involved with New Student Orientation.

P&S Spotlight
Renee Novak, Program Assistant II, Pharmacology Analytical Support Team, Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory

Renee joined ISU in 1990 and has worked in the VDL for more than 26 years. She plays an important role in training students and employees who join the Pharmacology Analytical Support Team lab, while cultivating relationships with clients that promote trust and lead to long-term customer loyalty. Renee enjoys the challenges that arise on a daily basis in addition to the quality aspect of her position.

Between client calls, requests for potential testing, and non-routine lab issues that may arise, she likes that no day is ever the same. Learn more about Renee here.

Your Professional and Scientific council members are here to represent you. The names and contact information for all Council Members can be found here.