



School of Biological Sciences

Every student should have an "[elevator speech](#)." An elevator speech is a brief, professional summary of who you are and what you can add to an organization. It's your sales pitch for yourself. It is called an elevator speech based on the idea that you should be able to make a sales pitch about yourself during the short time that you share the elevator with someone.

Why might an undergraduate need an elevator speech?

- Asking for a letter of recommendation from a faculty member who you don't know particularly well but you did well in his/her class.
- Meeting a future potential employer at a bio sciences [job fair](#).
- Asking a physician, dentist or other busy healthcare professional about shadowing.
- Introducing yourself to a faculty member with whom you are interested in doing research.
- Networking at a conference or professional event.

Featured news and events

Bio Sciences Industry Career Fair

Tuesday Feb 26 1-3 PM ASSC Pierson Auditorium Participating employers listed in [Handshake](#).

Meet with employers targeting biology students. Prepare your elevator speech. Plan what to wear. Bring a resume! Participating employers listed in Handshake.

How Do I Get Involved in Undergrad Research?

Biology LLC Professional Development Night. All biology majors invited!

Wednesday Feb 27 7-8 PM. Johnson Hall lounge.

SBS Director of Research Dr. Len Dobens and undergrad researcher extraordinaire Joseph Allen will share tips on how YOU can get involved in performing original scientific research in an SBS lab or off campus. If you've ever considered getting involved in research but don't know where to start then this is for you!

Important dates

Mar 18- Summer priority registration begins.

Mar 18- Course work begins second 8-week session.

Mar 20- Summer open registration begins.

Apr 1- Fall semester priority registration begins.

Apr 22- Fall semester open registration begins.

Seminars

Tues 2/26 Intramural Research Series

Dr. Andrew Keightley--
proteomics. (12PM, SCB 522)

Thurs 2/28 SBS Seminar Series

Dr. Maria Kalamkovi, KUMC.
Intercellular communication during
herpes simplex virus 1 infection. (3:45
PM, SCB 522)

Jobs, career development, scholarships and internships

All UMKC Graduate Programs Fair - Student Union. 3/13 4-7 PM

Learn more about graduate programs at UMKC. Learn about admissions requirements, tuition, entrance exams. Meet reps from programs.

ADEA GoDental Recruitment Event - Chicago 3/16

Meet with dental school reps from US & Canadian dental schools plus lots of other fun events scheduled. Info and registration [here](#).

CAAHP Student Health Professions Fair - Chicago 3/23 1-3 PM. CAAHP will bring over 85 representatives from a variety of health professions programs, organizations & associations. Registration [here](#). Questions: caahp.c.eisenhauer@gmail.com

Events and other opportunities

Honors College OWLs Program Info Sessions - 2/27 noon & 5:15 pm

Honors students learn more about serving as an honors student mentor or OWL-- "Older Wiser Learner." Gain service and leadership experience. Cherry Hall 415.

Every Body Is Beautiful Week 2/25-3/1

Check out events at Women's Center (Tues 2/25 10-2) and Info Table @ MLNC lobby Thurs 1-2:30. Women's center [contact info](#).

Run for student government

Applications are now open for 2019-2020 UMKC SGA executive board. Apps due by 5 PM on 3/1. Submit application on Roogroups.

KCAS Basic Lab Skills Workshop - 3/9 at KCAS

Who: undergrad junior and senior science majors. What: work hands on with experienced scientists on basic laboratory skills applicable to industry. Students will receive a lab notebook to document work and a certificate of completion. Skills: pipette verification & use; colorimetric plate preparation & analysis; LC-MS/MS analysis of drug products. Must RSVP [here](#) by 3/1.

Missouri Life Sciences Week 2019- MU 4/17

The Missouri Life Sciences Week 2019 organizing committee welcomes undergraduate, graduate and professional students, resident and attending physicians, faculty and staff from all four universities to submit abstracts for the 35th annual life sciences research forum. With more than 1,500 attendees, Life Sciences Week is MU's premier science event. Abstracts due by 3/1. Info [here](#).

Pride Breakfast- 3/21 Swinney Rec

Sarah McBride of Human Rights Campaign is featured speaker. Dean White has three tickets available at his table. Contact Dr. White if you are interested. 7:30-9 AM Swinney Rec Center. Info [here](#).

Rooflix and Chill

UMKC offers new streaming service. Article [here](#). Rooflix website [here](#).

Announcements

Lost & Found - SBS lost and found is located in BSB 171.

BSSG Meetings - Every other Wed. @ noon in 207 Katz Hall.



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