

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of January 29th

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*February is here!*



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## Upcoming Events

**February 9th**- Department of Physics Winter Party, PRB, 6:00-8:00 pm

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## Upcoming Colloquia & Seminars

**1/29/24** Quantum Matter Seminar- Dmitry Ovchinnikov- Van Der Waals Topological Magnets and Superconductors. [More information](#)

**1/30/24** Spring 2024 Colloquium Series- Chen Wang- Towards next-generation physical and logical qubits in superconducting circuits. [More information](#)

**1/30/24** Spring 2024 Colloquium Series- Umida Djakbarova- Killing them softly: targeting cell mechanics to sensitize cancer cells to programmed cell death. [More information](#)

**1/31/24** HEP Seminar- Professor Stuart Raby- Heterotic/F theory dual SU(5) model. [More information](#)

**2/1/24** Spring 2024 Colloquium Series- Han Zhao- Bridging Microwave and Optical Quantum Worlds Using Nanomechanics. [More information](#)

**2/6/24** Spring 2024 Colloquium Series- Yanzhu Chen- Moving the Barrier to Practical Quantum Computing on Two Fronts. [More information](#)

**2/7/24** HEP Seminar- Dr. Brent Yates- Using top quarks to probe nature's secrets. [More information](#)

## Full Department

Save the date: The Department of Physics Winter Party is coming up on Friday, **February 9th**, from 6:00- 8:00 PM in the PRB. Join us for food and fun! This year's theme is... Doctor Who!



## Department of Physics Winter Party!



Friday, February 9th  
6:00- 8:00 pm  
Physics Research Building



This year's theme is... **Doctor Who!**  
Dressing in theme is encouraged, but  
not required...

Join us for food, fun, and  
celebration!

Balloon Artist! Live Music! And more!

### **Chemical Biophysics Symposium April 2024- Save the Date!**

Looking to engage in lively discussions about the current research in the physical and life sciences? Join us at our 20th annual Chemical Biophysics Symposium at University of Toronto from April 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024! The Chemical Biophysics Symposium is a student-organized conference aiming to highlight the work of diverse researchers while harboring an exciting and engaging environment. Registration opens January 2024. [Click here](#) to learn more.

### **COVID-19 Resources**

- [What to do if you test positive for COVID-19](#)
- The [Safe and Healthy Buckeyes website](#) includes information on masking, COVID-19 testing and vaccination, and other resources.

### **Stewardship of PRB Kitchen**

If your group or organization is using the PRB Kitchen for coffee or an event, please make sure to clean everything up afterwards! This includes keeping the

counters clear, removing trash and recycling, putting things back where you got them from, and washing and putting away dishes. Do not leave dirty airports or pots with coffee/water in them on the counter or sink! If you leave pots upside down to dry overnight, please be sure to come back and put them away. We appreciate everyone's collaboration in keeping this space clean and nice for all to use!

## **Undergraduate Students**

### **2024 Department of Physics Summer Research Program**

We are now accepting applications for the 2024 Department of Physics Summer Research Program for undergraduate students.

**Program details:** The program provides students with a \$5,000 scholarship to work with a physics faculty member on a research project during summer 2024. Students are expected to work an average of 30 hours per week May 13 through July 19 which is 10 weeks. Participants are required to attend two social monthly lunches – one in May and one in June – as well as present during a poster session that will take place in mid-July. Students will also have the option to participate in other professional and social activities available throughout the summer. Please note that this is a competitive program and it's possible that not all applicants will be accepted.

**Qualifications:** This program is open to current OSU undergraduate students who are enrolled in the Physics major or the Engineering Physics major and are in good academic standing (overall GPA above a 2.0). Students who are graduating in May 2024 are not eligible.

**Application components:** To apply for the scholarship, a student must complete and submit an application and an agreement form (pages 3-4 of the [application packet](#)). Supporting faculty will submit a faculty endorsement form (page 5 of the [application packet](#)) and a short letter of support for the student.

**Application deadline:** Friday March 8, 2024 at 5pm

Additional information can be found on the Physics website at <https://physics.osu.edu/ug-summer-research-scholarship>. Questions can be sent to Lindsey Thaler ([thaler.21@osu.edu](mailto:thaler.21@osu.edu)).

## **Graduate Students**

**Spring 2024 Career Development Schedule for ASC Graduate Student & Postdocs**

### [3 Common Mistakes PhDs make in Their Job Search](#)

Wed, Jan 31 | 12pm-1pm ET | Virtual

### [How to Find A Job You'll Love](#)

Wed, Feb 14 | 12pm-1pm ET | Virtual

### [LinkedIn for PhDs](#)

Wed, Feb 16 | 12pm-1pm ET | Virtual

## **Faculty**

New postdocs? Reach out to Carly Scopel at scopel.6@osu.edu to be added to the Department of Physics listserv and stay up to date on news and events.

Are you planning to host an event or conference this summer? Be sure to contact your admin ahead of time with the event details, to begin making reservations and preparations.

Please consider if you will be taking ODP in the spring or summer. If you are interested in taking ODP in the upcoming months, please reach out to your admin associate with the funding source you wish to use and the ODP days you plan to take. Kindly submit ODP requests to admin associates 3 weeks in advance to allow time to complete the Workday approval process. The 2023-2024 ODP calendar below shows the available ODP days. Please note that ODP cannot be taken at the same time as vacation.

# Off Duty Pay Calendar & Guidelines

## OFF DUTY PAY CALENDAR

Below is a calendar of the qualifying dates for 9-month faculty Off Duty Pay (ODP) in the 2023-24 academic year.

ODP Eligible Days							Non-eligible days							University Holidays (are not eligible for ODP)						
<b>October 2023</b>							<b>November 2023</b>							<b>December 2023</b>						
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<b>January 2024</b>							<b>March 2024</b>							<b>May 2024</b>						
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<b>June 2024</b>							<b>July 2024</b>							<b>August 2024</b>						
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\* Note: The total allowable ODP for summer 2024 is 3 months.



Submit your news items to [scopel.6@osu.edu](mailto:scopel.6@osu.edu) by 5pm, Thursday.

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