

## ESSSO Meeting notes 1-11-2013

Recap of Holiday Party- thanks volunteers! We made \$1000 to go towards next year's new grad student field trip.

We've had 2 guided hikes, participants enjoyed them so we're going to keep them going ~once per month.

Blood Drive: Next Wednesday from 11-5:40pm. Takes ~one hour. Don't need an appointment. Sign in for ESSSO. We get points, at 100 points, the blood donation center will cater a meal for us. UCLA hospital uses over 80,000 units of blood per year, so please donate!

Movie night: Monday, in the department. Room and movie TBA. 5:30 pm. Also in the works is a movie night for ESS 15 (Day After Tomorrow or some sort of ocean pop science movie).

CPR Certification: ESSSO will pay if we can get a class of 20 participants. Carolyn will send around a doodle poll.

Planning events with other departments:

- scavenger hunt/barcrawl

First exam panel: Come find out about first graduate exam from a panel of people who have recently taken it. Time/Date TBA.

Calendar is live: Events from GSA and Grad Student Writing Center will be integrated.

Possibility for next panel: Grad Student Writing Center recon? If you're willing to attend one of their workshops and report back, let us know.

Next big event: Student Symposium, to be scheduled, will take place in spring quarter.

Soda machine will be restocked: Mt Dew.

Anything you'd like to have said at the faculty meeting?

- Debbie suggested: Can someone talk to Kevin/Jean-Luc re: is there talk of standardizing first exams? What's the status on that?
- What's the status on 298? Why is it three units?

New t-shirt designs?

Open discussion:

- Rubio's Fundraiser?
- Bakesale fundraiser?
- Superbowl pool?