

The Byte

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MIT UNDERGRADUATE
ASSOCIATION

Hi undergrads,

I hope you had a restful IAP! Today is Reg Day--please remember to meet with your advisor and register your classes.

Also, we are excited to announce the first ever BetterMIT Innovation Week & Makeathon. Hosted by UA Innovation and Technology and the Innovation Initiative, BetterMIT will showcase speakers and workshops exploring innovation from diverse perspectives. The event will include a community resource roundup and end with a student-life Makeathon. Innovation Week will last February 12-16 (events at noon and in the evening). Makeathon is from February 17-18 (all day).

Have a wonderful start to your spring semester!

- Kat



BetterMIT
INNOVATION WEEK
+ MAKEATHON

Monday, 2/12: **Ideation & Design Thinking**

12 - 1 PM: *Tactile* | 36-156

4 - 5:30 PM: *Mia Siochi, NASA Langley Research Center* | 4-145

Tuesday, 2/13: **Social Change & Impact**

4 - 6 PM: *Lean On Me + PKG Public Service Center* | 2-131

Wednesday, 2/14: **Skills for the Innovator**

12 - 1 PM: *Katie Rae, The Engine* | 6-120

5 - 6:30 PM: *Gordon Engineering Leadership Program* | 4-145

Thursday, 2/15: **Entrepreneurship & Innovation Resources**

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM: *Community Resource Roundup* | *Stata Center*

Friday, 2/16: **Innovation in the World**

12 - 1 PM: *Linda Foster* | *Margaret Cheney Room*

5 - 6:30 PM: *"Innovation in the World" Speaker Series* | 10-250

Saturday, 2/17 – Sunday, 2/18: **Student Life Makeathon**

12 PM Saturday – 4 PM Sunday | *E51 Wong Auditorium*

RSVP at <https://innovation.mit.edu/event/innovation-week/>

Questions?

Contact us at innovation-week@mit.edu



BetterMIT Makeathon 2018

February 17-18th
E51 - Wong Auditorium

Presented by UA Innovation and Technology



The *makeathon* will have 3 main categories:

Live -

Want to revamp study spaces, facilities, or have other ideas to improve living conditions for students? Come meet the Dean of Student Life and be heard!

Learn -

Polish the MIT learning experience and help students find their passions amidst MIT's overwhelming academic resources!

Connect -

Together we are strong. If you're passionate about social justice, fighting depression, or bringing us together as a community, this is the category for you!

We know our needs better than anyone else. Now's the time to act! Come learn more about the community and how to realize your own initiatives with administrators and faculty representatives from internal MIT organizations, and experienced student innovators such as the creators of **firehose** and **LeanOnMe**.

Location: E51 - Wong Auditorium

Date: Saturday, Feb 17th 12pm - Feb 18th 4pm

Registration ends Sunday, February 11th at 11:59pm!!

Link: <https://goo.gl/forms/qlmrMe26rNKxeHPh1>

Don't miss out, register your team today and help us to build a stronger MIT!

EVENTS

Advertisement for new class opened up to undergrads!

When: 7pm February 6, 2018

Where: E51-325

Contact: elab-ta@mit.edu

Link: <http://elab.mit.edu/e-lab-student-information/>

Want to know how to create your own startup? This class has just recently opened up to MIT undergrads— it was only for MBA students before! You can receive class credit for working with a startup this semester through the Entrepreneurship Lab class at Sloan (15.399). Student teams are matched with amazing startups working in Blockchain, cryptocurrency, AI, machine learning and more! There are lectures on Tuesday evenings, where you learn all of the latest research on what makes a successful startup. Register

online at <http://elab.mit.edu/e-lab-student-information/> and show up to the first class (2/6)!
Email elab-ta@mit.edu with questions.

MLK Celebration Luncheon

When: 11am - 1pm February 8, 2018

Where: Morss Hall, Walker Memorial

Contact: mlk-celebration@mit.edu

Link: <http://iceo.mit.edu/rsvp>

Please join the MIT community for a celebration of Dr. King's life and legacy. Seating is limited; register at <http://iceo.mit.edu/rsvp>. Program includes remarks by President Reif, undergrad student Tori Finney, and announcement of the 2018 MLK Leadership Award winners. Keynote speech by Wade Davis, former NFL player, equality advocate, and educator. An inspirational program is planned on the theme "Sustaining the Struggle for Equity: Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

RAK Week Info Session

When: 5:30pm February 8, 2018

Where: W11-190

Contact: rak-committee@mit.edu

Come learn about this year's Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) Week. RAK Week is a time dedicated to connecting members of the MIT community through small acts of kindness. We'll have some swag and tell you about ways you can get involved! Dinner will be provided.

Spark

When: March 17 - 18, 2018

Where: MIT campus!

Contact: spark@mit.edu

Link: esp.mit.edu/18spark

Spark is a two-day educational program for middle school students, organized by the MIT Educational Studies Program that takes place on March 17-18. Teach anything you want in a 1-3 hour class! Sign up to teach at esp.mit.edu/18spark by 2/10. No experience in teaching required.

James R. Killian Jr. Faculty Achievement Award Lecture

When: 4pm February 15, 2018

Where: 10-250

Contact: info-events@mit.edu

Link: [MIT calendar](#)

Richard Schrock, F G Keyes Professor of Chemistry, delivers the James R. Killian Jr. Faculty Achievement Award Lecture. Lecture title: Adventures in Inorganic Chemistry and Catalysis

Stand Up for One MIT

Contact: lw16164@mit.edu

Link: <http://addir.scripts.mit.edu/www/statement/>

The Addir Fellows Interfaith Dialogue invites you to "Stand Up for One MIT" by signing a statement that denounces bigotry and affirms the value of building bridges across difference through empathy and conversation. Both individuals and groups are welcome to join the list of signatories. You can read and sign the statement here:

<http://addir.scripts.mit.edu/www/statement/>

WANT TO SEE YOUR EVENT IN THE BYTE?

Submit an event [here!](#) Events must be submitted by noon Sunday for inclusion in that week's issue.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Email ua-secretary@mit.edu with any questions, comments, or suggestions for improvement for future editions of The Byte.

