

**2018-2019
Section of Excellence**

Last year the IFT Volunteer Section was awarded the Section of Excellence Award at IFT19. The dedication to the food science and technology profession, volunteer events, and excellent leadership are all aspects that we have been commended on. This is an amazing accomplishment for the section!



IFT VOLUNTEER SECTION NEWSLETTER

September 2019

Hey, Vols! I'm your new IFT Volunteer Section Student Representative!

I'm excited to be able to welcome you to campus for another great year on Rocky Top! My name is Joshua Brantley, and I'm your IFT Volunteer Section Student Representative this year. I'm a senior in the Food Science major with a knack for Dairy Product Judging and a passion for helping people. This year I will be your go-between for all your IFT needs so if you have any questions about IFT or Food Science please feel free to stop me in the hall or send me an email!



Fall Meeting featuring IFT Section Lecture Series to be Held on October 24th

This year's annual fall volunteer section meeting is scheduled at 6-9pm on **October 24th in Department of Food Science, University of Tennessee, Knoxville**. The fall meeting features Dr. Robert Hutkins, Khem Shahani Professor of Food Science from Department of Food Science and

Technology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Dr. Hutkins will deliver a lecture of "Probiotics, prebiotics, and synbiotics: from science to application." His lecture is sponsored by the IFT Section Lecture Series grant.

College Bowl Competition Sign-ups

Do you love food or happen to know a lot of fun/interesting facts about food, beverage or science? Want to show off this foodie knowledge of yours? Then College Bowl is perfect for you! College Bowl is an event put on every year by IFTSA and is a great way to show off your food trivia knowledge and have fun competing against colleges from all over the US! If you are interested, please contact Karen Jones at kjone127@utk.edu asap to start feeding your foodie brain!

UT Food Science Club to host IFTSA 2020 Midwest Area Meeting

If you haven't heard the news by now, UT FSC won the bid to host the 2020 Midwest Area Meeting in April 2020. The Leadership Team headed by Jennifer Vuia-Riser (Lead Chair) with Joshua Brantley and Bob Pellegrino as Co-Chairs have been hard at work organizing details for an exceptional event! Be on the lookout for communication from the Area Meeting Chairs as they begin organizing the event and looking for sponsors to help with food, local tours, the College Bowl Competition, and showing the diversity of the Tennessee food industry! If you are interested in sponsoring or donating to the IFTSA Midwest Area Meeting & College Bowl Competition to be held at UT, please email Jennifer (jvuia@vols.utk.edu).

IFT Intern+ Applications and Scholarships

Being a member of IFT and IFTSA gives you the ability to grow your network with a vast number of industry professionals but did you know you gain exclusive access to scholarships and internships provided by leading companies in food? IFT offers a fantastic "**Feeding Tomorrow Intern+ Program**" with [Kraft-Heinz](#) and [PepsiCo](#) as the companies this year where you not only receive a **paid summer internship** with a leading industry company but additionally a **\$1,000-\$1,500 tuition scholarship** for the 2020-2021 academic year and a **paid trip to IFT20** are included in this Intern+ opportunity. Apply soon because the deadline for

Questions? You can reach out to me anytime via email, Joshua Brantley (jbrant12@vols.utk.edu).

application submission is [September 8th](#) for PepsiCo and [October 14th](#) for Kraft-Heinz! In addition to these exceptional internships look for [scholarship opportunities](#) as well on the IFT website for both tuition and travel expenses.

IFTSA Virtual Graduate Fair and Global Summit

IFTSA hosts its annual events the [Virtual Graduate Fair](#) on October 16th and the [Global Summit](#) on November 6th. The Virtual Graduate Fair is an excellent tool to use in making your decision on graduate school whether you want to go, don't know if you want to go or think you have no interest in pursuing a graduate degree at all this online source is a great way to answer questions you might have about your next big step and get you started in the right direction by allowing you to meet many representatives from schools all over the U.S. in one place. The Global Summit is a convenient way to experience great speakers talking about their exciting research from a conference setting to your own laptop or smart-device. Each year IFT puts together a wonderful panel of speakers on important and relevant topics and they keep the [recordings](#) to view at your leisure. Be sure to save the date and these other [important dates](#) for the coming Fall!

Sign up to be a part of IFT

Network with thousands of food science professionals, join the Volunteer Section, meet students in food science from around the world and gain exclusive access to internship opportunities, scholarships, and free professional development events by signing up to be an IFT member today! Just go to [IFT.org](#) and click on "[Become a Member](#)". From there, follow the on-screen instructions. [Students get discounted dues](#) and becoming an annual member is only \$60! Additionally, make sure to **utilize the promo code S2019 by August 31st when joining or renewing to save \$20!** Just graduated? There is an "[Early Career](#)" option that is discounted too!