

#### **Happy Graduate Student Appreciation Week!**

Yes, that's a thing! We celebrate all our amazing graduate students and thank you for all you do to make our program one of the best in the country. Speaking of which, the U.S. News & World Report rankings came out last week and our program maintained its Top-10 ranking. Our next issue of TeamMSE will be published on Monday, April 18. If you have information you'd like to share with the community, please email Kristen Freshley at krisfres@umich.edu by Sunday, April 17. Happy reading!



MSE Department Chair Amit Misra and Undergraduate Program Advisor Steve Yalisove field questions from undergraduates last Friday during a Townhall meeting.

#### **MSE Grad Program Maintains #8 Ranking**



Just in time for Graduate Student Appreciation Week, *U.S. News & World Report* released its 2023 rankings for graduate programs last week and MSE maintained its 2022 rank at #8 (tied with Cal Tech and Cornell). The College of Engineering dropped from #7 to #9.

# The Latest Covid News

Here's what you need to know in regard to the latest campus Covid news:

#### Covid cases creeping up, fueled by BA.2 sub variant

After weeks of decreasing Covid cases in our region, we're now seeing a trend of case counts increasing both on campus and in the wider community. Many of these cases can be linked to unmasked social gatherings.

Additionally, the spread of the BA.2 sub variant of Omicron has grown to represent more than half of cases in the midwest region. This is significant because the new subvariant appears to be more transmissible than the BA.1 subvariant previously circulating widely in our community.

FREE boxes of at-home antigen tests available starting TODAY

Pick up a **free** box of at-home antigen tests at any central or north campus **CSTP** site starting today. Be sure to bring your M-Card.

#### Practice prevention and protection!

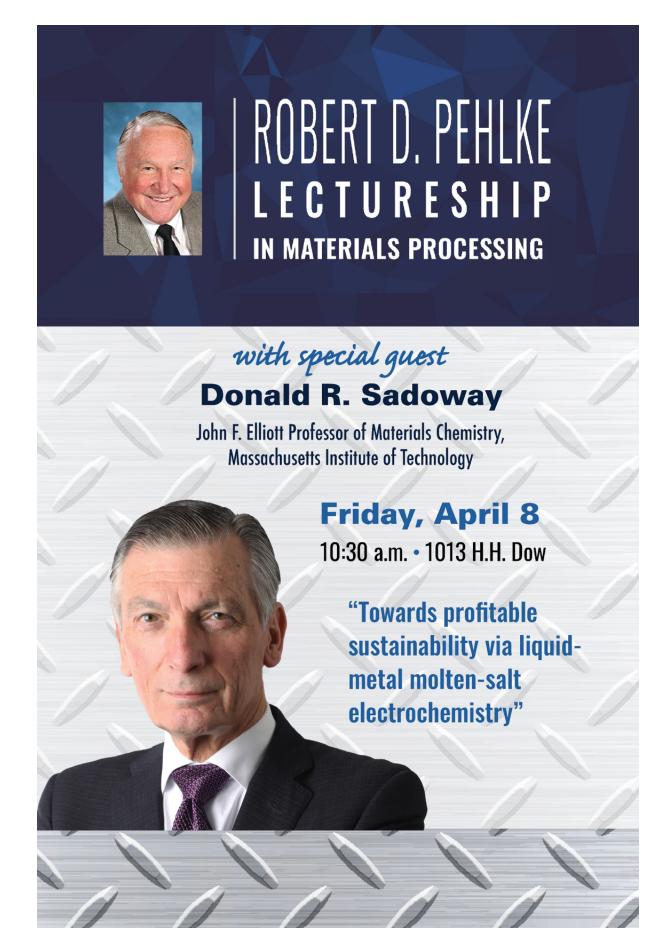
With only a few weeks of classes remaining, now is the time for our community to finish the winter semester strong. Here's what you can do:

- Monitor for symptoms by using the ResponsibleBLUE tool each day. If you have any symptoms, mask up and get tested right away.
- Traveling? Get tested for COVID-19 before you go and when you return.
- Consider wearing a mask for large indoor gatherings, or move your gathering outdoors.
- Remember to cover your coughs and sneezes, and to wash your hands frequently.

For the latest information and updates related to COVID-19, please visit the Campus Maize and Blueprint.



Pehlke Lecture with MIT's Donald Sadoway April 8



To attend via Zoom: <a href="https://umich.zoom.us/j/99711556862">https://umich.zoom.us/j/99711556862</a>, passcode mse890

#### **Graduate Student Appreciation Week**



To celebrate Graduate Student Appreciation Week, ECE invites ALL CoE graduate students, regardless of department affiliation, to stop by EECS for some great treats this week, including:

April 5, 2-3:00 pm.: Donuts in the EECS Atrium

April 6, 1-4:00 p.m.: Pick up treats for the movie night in the ECE Graduate

**Student Services Office (EECS #3403)** 

April 6, 7-9:00 p.m..: Virtual Movie Night: Free Guy:

https://umich.zoom.us/j/93466260845

April 8, 12-1:00 p.m..: Pizza in the EECS Atrium

#### **MSE Mentorship bowling event April 8**



Friday, April 8 7:30 p.m. Revel & Roll, 1234 S. Industrial

The MSE mentorship April group event is Bowling at Revel & Roll! **Please fill out** the <u>RSVP</u> as soon as possible so that enough lanes can be reserved.

#### MMS Luncheon this Friday, April 8: KLA



#### Friday, April 8 12:30-1:30 p.m., 1013 Dow

Join us this week to hear from KLA, which develops industry-leading equipment/services that enable innovation throughout the electronics industry. They provide advanced process control and process-enabling solutions for manufacturing wafers and reticles, integrated circuits, packaging, printed circuit boards and flat panel displays. Lunch will be provided.

#### MMS Bar Crawl this Friday, April 8

### Friday, April 8 Starting at 6:30 p.m.

The theme this semester is Hawaiian shirts, so please try to wear one!

#### Itinerary:

1. Good Time Charley's: 6:30-8 pm

2. Brown Jug: 8-9:30 pm\*\*

3. Blue Leprechaun: 9:30pm-11 pm\*\*

\*\*You must be 21 or older to enter the last two locations, but everyone is welcome to come to Good Time



#### Join us for the MSE Undergrad Spring Picnic!



What: MSE Undergraduate Spring Picnic (formerly Student Appreciation Luncheon)

When: Friday, April 15, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Where: Outside Dow, in Gerstacker Grove (1303 EECS, in case of rain)

RSVP here by Tuesday, April 12

## Seminar speaker on April 15: Douglas Matson



On **Friday, April 15**, Douglas Matson of Tufts University will present "Why Go To Space to Conduct Fundamental and Applied Investigations" at 10:30 a.m. in 1013 Dow or via Zoom:

umich.zoom.us/j/99711556862

Passcode: mse890

#### **Important Graduation Info for Class of '22!**

If you are a 2022 MSE graduate, we need you to fill out a form by Friday, April 15:

Undergraduates: Click here for form Master's & PhD: Click here for form Tuesday, April 19 - Last day of classes and deadline to apply for spring graduation.

Thursday, April 28 (6-8:00 p.m.) - MSE Graduation & Awards Dinner at Robotics Bldg.



## Graduates, faculty and staff: Please RSVP for Graduation & Awards dinner by April 15



Our MSE Graduation & Awards Dinner is back in-person this year! Our annual



event will be held on Thursday, April 28 from 6-8:00 p.m. in the Ford Robotics Building. Our special guest speaker will be MSE alum and former faculty member David Martin, now a professor of Materials Science and Engineering and Associate Dean of Research and Entrepreneurship at the University of Delaware. All undergrad, master's and PhD graduates and faculty and staff are invited to join us! Please RSVP here by Friday, April 15.







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