

## NEWS FROM THE ME ADVISING OFFICE



DECEMBER 2, 2025

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

### Final Exam Week

- December 15 - December 19

### University Commencement Ceremony

- December 20

### Spring Semester Begins

- January 20

## Snow Happens: Stay Safe, Stay Informed!

After our first snowfall, were you prepared for changing conditions on and around campus? Keep an eye on the [ISU Alert Page](#) for updates about delays or closures and stay informed through official university social media channels. The National Weather Service offers helpful winter safety tips. Checking [511 Road Conditions](#) before you travel can help you plan safe routes.

When snow and ice hit, remember to use extra caution while navigating campus – ISU works hard to clear sidewalks and roads, but conditions can vary. If you notice icy areas or hazards, [report them right away](#).

Being aware, prepared, and connected will help you navigate winter weather and stay safe throughout the season.



## Finals and Winter Break Resources for Students!

Can you believe the semester is almost over? The Academic Success Center offers several tools to help you finish the semester strong by feeling confident and prepared going into your final exams:

- [Accountability Groups](#): Sign up for focused 90-minute study sessions – great for those of us who need more structured study time!
- **Final Exam Prep Materials**: Below, you will find several helpful study aides, like the Final Exam Preparation Packet, 5- and 7-day study plans, tips for successful study groups, and review strategies:
  - [Prep Packet](#)
  - [5-Day Plan](#)
  - [7-Day Plan](#)
  - [Study Groups](#)
  - [Review Strategies](#)

**Prep Week Study Spaces** are available to reserve from December 9 – 13, 5:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. in the following 10 university classrooms:

- Carver 0118, 0128, and 0160
- Ross 0024, 0026, and 0028
- Town Engineering 0250 or 0270
- Pearson 1106 or 3131

## Winter Break Support

These quick guides will help you stay balanced, healthy, and productive during your break:

- [Winter Break Survival Tips](#)
- [Fun & Productive Ideas](#)
- [Be Productive During Break](#)

You've worked hard all semester – use these resources to finish strong, take care of yourself, and head into winter break confident and proud of what you've accomplished!



## Apply for the PARADIM REU Program – Summer 2026

Looking to dive into hands-on, world-class research this summer? The PARADIM Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program offers students the chance to work alongside leading scientists on projects in materials discovery, crystal growth, characterization, and computational methods. Each project is designed to be completed within the program's June – August timeframe, concluding with a formal research presentation.

- **Application Deadline:** Feb. 2, 2026 (8:00 PM ET)
- **Recommendation Deadline:** Feb. 9, 2026
- **Award Process Begins:** Mar. 10, 2026

Contact James Overhiser at [jlo34@cornell.edu](mailto:jlo34@cornell.edu) with questions! This is an excellent opportunity to explore a research career, build valuable skills, and contribute to cutting-edge scientific work.



## SEASONS AT STEPHENS 2025-2026 SEASON

Want to see an amazing show at Stephens Auditorium? Don't miss your chance to win **FREE** tickets to incredible performances all season long!

Stop by Howe 2620 to sign up for our exclusive ticket giveaway or fill out our [online entry form](#). Every show has a new random drawing, and YOU could be our next lucky winner!

### Next Upcoming Ticket Drawing:

- *Dolly Parton's Smoky Mountain Christmas Carol*
  - Monday, December 15 at 7:00 p.m.

[View the Stephens full season lineup here](#) — and then sign up to experience it live!

<p>2025-2026 <b>PERFORMING ARTS SERIES</b> AT STEPHENS AUDITORIUM</p> <p>Stephens Auditorium IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY   campus facilities only</p> <p>VenuWorks</p>			
	<p>Dolly Parton's Smoky Mountain Christmas Carol <b>December 15</b></p>	<p>Mrs. Doubtfire <b>February 4</b></p>	<p>Great American Crooners <b>March 1</b></p>
	<p>The Peking Acrobats <b>March 3</b></p>	<p>The Fab Four <b>April 10</b></p>	



## LOOKING FOR RESOURCES? YOUR ME ADVISING TEAM IS HERE TO HELP!



### Degree related questions?

- [ME Academic Advising Website](#)

### Need help scheduling an advising appointment?

- [Scheduling ME Advisor Appointments](#)

### Missed a week of “The MEMO”?

- View past issues on [the MEMO Archive!](#)