No talks this month
The research seminar and colloquium series will continue next semester—use this break to build up anticipation for some exciting talks!

Student work applications
Students interested in working for the MSCS department next semester should fill out applications by January 20th. Graders, TAs, and office assistants are all needed. Contact Ellen Haberoth if you cannot locate the form in your email archive.

MSCS tabling for Jumpstart 2020
Interested in engaging with the MSCS department through an on-campus job? First years participating in Jumpstart 2020 on January 17th should keep an eye out for the MSCS table at the job fair, which will provide information from 1:30-2:30pm, 4-5pm, and 6:30-7:30pm. Student workers will not be hired at this event but are welcome to learn about several departmental opportunities.

Pi Mu Epsilon applications
Are you interested in joining a mathematics honor society? St. Olaf is home to the Minnesota Kappa chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon (PME), which is a national honor society dedicated to recognizing and promoting scholarly activity in mathematics. To join PME, you must meet the following requirements:
- Be a declared mathematics major
- Complete at least one transition course by induction (i.e. Math 242, 244, or 252)
- Maintain a 3.5 GPA in mathematics and a 3.0 GPA overall
- Pay a one-time national dues fee of $30

If you have any questions or would like to join Pi Mu Epsilon, please contact the president, Miranda Tilton (tiltonm@stolaf.edu).

Job opportunity for aspiring computer scientists and programmers
Mathematica Policy Research (MPR) is a social policy and research firm based in Cambridge, MA that conducts social policy studies on health care, disability, education, welfare, nutrition, and related topics. Currently, MPR is looking for a front-end data scientist to fill an entry-level job. Graduating seniors who have one to three years of experience in a statistical programming language such as SAS, STATA, R or Python, one to three years of experience in a general programming language such as C#, Java, Node, or Python, and some knowledge of relational database systems are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit careers.mathematica-mpr.com/job/cambridge/junior-front-end-data-scientist/727/3520043

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