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Volunteer for the Presidential Debate – Sunday, October 9, 2016
The 2016 Presidential Debate Volunteer applications are out! Volunteers support a number of important aspects of the debate and are critical to the success of the event. WashU students, faculty, postdocs and staff enrolled or employed in the fall of 2016 are eligible to apply to be a Debate Volunteer. Application deadline is 5pm, June 17, 2016.
Also, if you are interested in helping out with voter registration and engagement, please email the Voter Engagement Fellow, Cassie Klosterman, at washuvotes@wustl.edu to find out more.

1. Early Career Transitions Symposium
When: Wednesday, June 8, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Where: King Center, 7th Floor of the Bernard Becker Medical Library
Getting close to graduation and thinking about your next move? Unsure what career path to take? Join us for a discussion of early career opportunities for scientists at the second-annual Early Career Transitions Symposium!
Join keynote speaker Dr. Krystal Winkeler, an investment analyst at BioGenerator, along with other local scientists to discuss how to make a successful transition out of graduate school and into a range of careers.
RSVP is required!! RSVP here: http://bit.ly/27R0ATw. Dinner is provided. Attire is business casual.
For more information, email prosper@wustl.edu.
Sponsored by ProSPER, BioEntrepreneurship Core, BALSA, Young Scientist Program, AGES

2. Human Gene Mutation Database Demo/Training
Researchers at WUSTL expressed interest in a potential Human Gene Mutation Database (HGMD) group or site license. As part of the HGMD license investigation, a Field Application Scientist from Qiagen will be at WUSM to lead a HGMD Demo/training on June 9, 2016 in Holden Auditorium from 9am until 11am. This Demo/workshop is free and open to the WUSTL community. Registration is required, please complete this online registration form. A Human Gene Mutation Database software free trial will be open to all WUSTL Researchers from June 8-10, 2016. Learn more about HGMD. Contact Maze Ndonwi at ndonwimaze@wustl.edu or 314 362 4737 if you have questions.

3. Postdoc Spring Fling
Thursday, June 9 at 4:00 PM
McDonnell Sciences Courtyard (or Olin Cafeteria area if it rains)
All postdocs & their immediate families are invited to the annual Spring Fling!! We are pleased to offer carnival-themed food again this year and some fun entertainment! We will have Snow Cones, Cotton Candy & Popcorn along with Beer, Soda & Juice. We will also have rum if you want to make your snow cone more festive! New this year, Silly Jilly, balloon artist, will attend and be making balloon animals. Please register and let us know how many will attend. Food & drinks will be available from 4pm - 6pm, but we recommend arriving by 5:30 pm. We will also be selling the postdoc T-shirts, $5 each, cash only please. Please register by June 6th at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1bWOjax4Oa8eORey3c_gA_vGnRoHFPak16Kd9IboEfqs/viewform
Hope to see you there!

4. Roadmap to Entrepreneurship
An opportunity to inform and educate future entrepreneurs about how and where to find support and resources in the St. Louis area with insights from prominent keynote speakers and panel presentations by a wide range of experts across a variety of disciplines (see topics listed below).
WHEN: Monday, June 13, 2016 from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM (CDT)
WHERE: Donald Danforth Plant Science Center - 975 North Warson Road, St. Louis, MO 6313
Who Should Attend: Ecosystem of prospective entrepreneurs, including former corporate employees with an entrepreneurial spirit, spouses of dual-career families, minority entrepreneurs, and students.
Cost & Reservations: No cost to attend, Click here to register
Keynote Speakers (as of April 26, 2016)
- Dr. Robert T. Fraley, EVP and CTO, Monsanto
- Jim Eberlin, Chief Executive, TopOpps
Panel Presentations
- Getting Started: From the Lightbulb Idea to a Viable Company (business plan, market research)
- Why St. Louis? Putting Local Resources Together (location, workforce, operations)
- Plan for Funding, M&A, and Exits from the Beginning (fund raising/loans, contracts, partnerships, exit strategies)
- Legal Matters, Advisors, Company Structure and Boards (legal issues, licenses, permits, founds and equity distribution, boards of directors, advisors and mentors)
- Assets Protection, Taxes and Credits (IP, trademarks, research and development, accounting)
- The Importance of Sales (new business development, sales and marketing, customer support)
Sponsors and Supporters (as of April 25)
Sponsors: Monsanto, Civic Progress, Venture Café, Mosaic Project, Bryan Cave
Supporters: St. Louis Economic Development Partnership, Office of the Mayor/ City of St. Louis, St. Louis Regional Chamber, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Asian Chamber of Commerce, International Institute, StLVentureWorks, ITEN, Square One, IDEA Labs, Full Circle

5. ASBMB–BEST Summer Webinar Series
The American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) and NIH Broadening Experience in Scientific Training (BEST) will present science career webinars in summer 2016. Registration is free but limited, so register early. Recordings of the webinars will be available on the website afterward.

Careers in industry - Tuesday, June 14, 2016 | 12noon Central/1-2 pm Eastern
Are you interested in learning more about science careers in industry? Would you like to transition into an industry career but are unsure how to land a position? Join industry experts as they cover these topics and answer questions from the audience.

Charting a course to career success - Wednesday, July 20, 2016 | 12noon Central/1-2 pm Eastern
What is an individual development plan, and how can you develop one that will optimize your career preparation? Considering your long-term career interests, how can you identify and address gaps in your skill set? Once you have a plan, how can you maximize follow-through? Our speakers, who regularly teach IDP workshops and include an author of the myIDP program, will share tips for getting the most out of your career planning.

Building professional relationships: pragmatic advice for the human scientist - Wednesday, Aug. 17 | 12noon Central/1-2 pm Eastern
Whether you are early-career or an established member of your scientific community, developing and maintaining a network of professional contacts are helpful ways to grow your career. How do you cultivate new professional relationships? How should you professionally communicate with your network? Learn more through this one-hour webinar.


6. 21st Century Imaging Sciences Pathway Annual Retreat
You are cordially invited to attend the 21st Century Imaging Sciences Pathway Annual Retreat on Friday, June 24, 2016, at the St. Louis Union Station Hotel (Doubletree by Hilton). We are accepting short abstracts for Poster Presenters for the symposium, all information is provided on the registration link provided. As you know, the Retreat is a great way for students, Post-docs and faculty involved in Biomedical Imaging to make connections and network. The St. Louis Union Station is minutes away via the Metrolink rail! Reservations are required by June 13, 2016 and a link is provided below. You must register using GOOGLE CHROME or FIREFOX. [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1GEbCNzyWu_8ISmOh8wdWN0ZsBMHH2UBa-LusemMv_0w/viewform?c=0&w=1&usp=mail_form_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1GEbCNzyWu_8ISmOh8wdWN0ZsBMHH2UBa-LusemMv_0w/viewform?c=0&w=1&usp=mail_form_link)

A full agenda will be sent to all registrants prior to the retreat. We hope you are able to attend and will see you there!

On behalf of Dr. Joseph Culver

7. JDRF Postdoctoral Fellowships
Postdoctoral Fellowships are designed to attract qualified, promising scientists entering their professional career in the T1D research field; intended for those in a relatively early stage in their career. This fellowship is intended for those at a relatively early stage of their career. Ordinarily, the most recent doctoral degree (PhD, MD, DMD, DVM, or equivalent) will have been received no more than five years before the application is submitted. There are no citizenship requirements for this program. More information at [http://grantcenter.jdrf.org/grant-center/information-for-applicants/grant-mechanism-descriptions/postdoctoral-fellowships](http://grantcenter.jdrf.org/grant-center/information-for-applicants/grant-mechanism-descriptions/postdoctoral-fellowships)

Advanced Postdoctoral Fellowships are designed to attract qualified, promising scientists to receive full time research training and to assist these promising individuals in transitioning from a fellowship to an independent (faculty-level) position. This fellowship is intended for applicants who have completed some postdoctoral training, show extraordinary promise and are preparing for a transition to an independent research position. Generally, the most recent doctoral degree (PhD, MD, DMD, DVM, or equivalent) will have been received no more than 6 years before the application is submitted. There are no citizenship requirements for this program. More information at [http://grantcenter.jdrf.org/grant-center/information-for-applicants/grant-mechanism-descriptions/advanced-postdoctoral-fellowships](http://grantcenter.jdrf.org/grant-center/information-for-applicants/grant-mechanism-descriptions/advanced-postdoctoral-fellowships)

Deadline for both: 6/27/2016

8. Helen Hay Whitney Foundation Fellowships
The Helen Hay Whitney Foundation supports early postdoctoral research training in all basic biomedical sciences. To attain its ultimate goal of increasing the number of imaginative, well-trained and dedicated medical scientists, the Foundation grants financial support of sufficient duration to help further the careers of young men and women engaged in biological or medical research.

Eligibility: no more than one year of postdoctoral research experience at the time of the deadline for submitting the application (July 1, 2016), and who have received a PhD (or D.Phil. or equivalent) degree no more than two years before the deadline, or an M.D. degree no more than three years before the deadline. Fellowships may be awarded to US citizens planning to work in laboratories either in the US, Canada, or abroad and also to foreign citizens for research in laboratories in the US only. Visit [http://www.hhwf.org/HTML5src/ResearchFellowships.html](http://www.hhwf.org/HTML5src/ResearchFellowships.html) for more information and to apply.

Application Deadline: 5:00pm EST, July 1, 2016.

9. AHA Postdoctoral Fellowships
Objective: To empower postdoctoral trainees who are not independent with assistance and training from a mentor to initiate careers in cardiovascular and stroke research. Applicants may be US Citizens or temporary visa holders. More information at [http://professional.heart.org/professional/ResearchPrograms/ApplicationInformation/UCM_443314_Postdoctoral-Fellowship.jsp](http://professional.heart.org/professional/ResearchPrograms/ApplicationInformation/UCM_443314_Postdoctoral-Fellowship.jsp)

Midwest Affiliate Deadline: July 28, 2016 at 5pm central

10. MS Society Postdoctoral Fellowships
The Society seeks to attract and train promising young investigators and doctors into the field of MS by supporting the training of postdoctoral fellows in studies related to MS in its efforts to end MS forever. The Society supports fundamental as well as applied studies, non-clinical or clinical in nature, including projects in patient management, care and rehabilitation. The Society offers postdoctoral fellowship grants to unusually promising recipients of M.D., Ph.D. or equivalent degrees when it appears that the program of training to be supported by the grant will enhance the likelihood that the trainee will perform meaningful and independent research relevant to MS in the future, and obtain a suitable position which will enable them to do so.

To submit a proposal for research support, investigators must first register with our online portal ([https://nmss.fluxx.io](https://nmss.fluxx.io)) and complete a pre-application. Staff will review the pre-application to determine whether the research plan is appropriate and relevant.
to our goals. More information at http://www.nationalmssociety.org/For-Professionals/Researchers/Society-Funding/Training-Grants-and-Fellowships/Postdoctoral-Fellowships
Deadline 2016: pre-applications due August 10; full applications due August 17, 5:00 pm EST

11. Damon Runyon Fellowship Award
The Foundation encourages all theoretical and experimental research relevant to the study of cancer and the search for cancer causes, mechanisms, therapies and prevention. Candidates must apply for the fellowship under the guidance of a Sponsor—a scientist (tenured, tenure-track or equivalent position) capable of providing mentorship to the Fellow. Applicants must have completed one or more of the following degrees or its equivalent: MD, PhD, MD/PhD, DDS, DVM. Basic and physician-scientists must have received their degrees no more than one year prior to the date of the FAC meeting at which their applications are to be considered. Applicants must not have been in their Sponsors’ labs for more than one year prior to the date of the FAC meeting at which their applications are to be considered* and are expected to devote 100% of their time and effort to Damon Runyon-supported research activities. Visit https://www.damonrunyon.org/for-scientists/application-guidelines/fellowship for more information. **Deadline: August 15, 2016** (Degree conferred between October 15, 2015-August 15, 2016 and joined sponsor’s lab on or after October 15, 2015. Award begins between Jan-Apr 2017)

12. Postdoc Tuition Benefit
Registration for Summer 2016 and Fall 2016 classes are open!
Summer has five sessions with multiple start/end dates. Please review carefully when registering. Summer classes are generally more intense than Fall or spring, and meet twice as often for twice as long. Fall classes begin August 29th. Register now to guarantee your seat in the class!
More info about how to register and what you can take at http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Postdocs/PoliciesBenefits/Pages/PostdocTuitionBenefit.aspx

13. Midstates Consortium Workshop for Early Career Success
The Midstates Consortium for Math and Science is hosting a workshop for early career faculty, post-docs and graduate students in St. Peter, MN on the beautiful campus of Gustavus Adolphus College on the weekend of July 8-10, 2016. The workshop will be facilitated by three experienced faculty members. Dr. Mike Seymour is an analytical chemist at Hope College and is just starting as the Midstates Consortium’s new Director. Dr. Scott Burr is an organic chemist from Gustavus Adolphus College and Dr. Karen Nordell Pearson, also a chemist, currently serves as Hope’s Associate Dean for Research and Scholarship. **Online registration is open through Monday, June 27, 2016.** Advanced graduate students and postdocs interested in teaching at liberal arts colleges, newly hired tenure-track or term appointment faculty, and faculty just completing their first or second years are encouraged to participate.

Workshop Description: One of the goals for the weekend is to help each participant generate a strategic plan for the next 2-3 years of their career. This plan gives each participant time to focus on their goals, strategies and actions through creating a flexible and completely individualized plan. Another goal is to provide time for conversation between early career faculty as a mechanism for networking, sharing successes and challenges and encouraging one another. The weekend will be a mixture of time alone for reflection and strategic planning, time in small groups for giving each other feedback on your evolving plans, and time for discussions and presentations with the full group about teaching, pedagogies, establishing a research group, writing proposals for external funding, finding a mentor and much more.

Please contact Dr. Mike Seymour with any questions about the workshop (seymour@hope.edu). http://www.mathsciconsortium.org/event_information/2016-workshop-for-early-career-success

14. CIRTL’s Summer Courses & Workshops
**Workshops Open for Registration:** Writing an Academic Resume - Register by 6/8
**Tuesday, June 14 at 11AM-1PM ET/10AM-12PM CT/9-11AM MT/8-10AM PT**
Learn how to craft an academic CV that emphasizes your strengths while speaking to NIH and NSF priorities in this workshop led by instructors from the University of Texas at Arlington. In addition to attending the live, online workshop on June 14, participants will be required to do some preparatory work beforehand, and some wrap-up work after.

Courses Open for Registration:
Disabling Difference in the STEM Classroom: The Disability & Universal Course Design You Need to Know for Inclusion - Register by 6/8
On Weds starting June 15. Weekly online meetings at 2:15-3:30PM ET/12:15-1:30PM MT/11:15AM-12:30PM PT
Develop teaching practices to support all learners - including those with disabilities - in this class taught by instructors from the University of Rochester. Students will study effective pedagogies and disability regulations to learn the basics of accessible course design. The class will meet weekly for 6 weeks; all participants are required to attend these live, online sessions.

Integrating Creativity, Innovation, and Design Thinking in STEM Courses - Register by 6/29
On Wednesdays starting July 6. Weekly online meetings at 1-2:30PM ET/12-1:30PM CT/11AM-12:30PM MT/10-11:30AM PT
Learn how you can incorporate hands-on creativity into your STEM classroom in this class, taught by instructors from the University of Pittsburgh. This class will meet weekly for 4 weeks; all participants are required to attend these live, online sessions.

15. Postdoc T-shirts!
We have new postdoc T-shirts! They are charcoal gray with a white WU logo on the front, and the word POSTDOC and the STEM departments on the back. Cost is $5 each, cash only. Stop by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) to purchase one, there is usually someone available between 9 and 4pm. Questions? Email postdoc@wusm.wustl.edu.

16. AAMC Action
As Congress considers next year’s NIH budget, the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) wants legislators to know that academic medicine stands behind another increase in federal support for medical research. You can help add $2.4 billion to the NIH budget for FY2017 and continue the progress started last year to undo the harm of more than a decade of stagnation in the NIH budget. If you have not already registered, show your support by joining, AAMC Action, a digital grassroots advocacy community designed to engage academic medicine professionals as advocates on behalf of the issues most important to the nation’s medical schools and teaching hospitals. We cannot wait any longer for predictable, sustained NIH funding. Our goal is to have over 18,000 people add their names in support of this increase. The time to increase NIH funding is now.

- Add your name if you agree
- Learn more about AAMC Action

Don’t forget to check out the DBBS Jobs Board at http://dbbs.wustl.edu/jobs. We have posted Career positions and postdoctoral positions both at WU and elsewhere. The board is self-service, so feel free to post jobs, or forward the site to others who may want to post a job.

We are on Facebook & Twitter! The audience for both accounts is current WU postdocs but they are open anyone, so please like our FB page and follow us on Twitter! We’ll be posting info about OPA & WUPS events and Career Center activities as well as other events and items of interest to postdocs. You can find us at:
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/OPA.WUSTL, Washington University Office of Postdoctoral Affairs
Twitter: @WUSTLPostdoc, WUSTL Postdoc Office http://twitter.com/wustlpostdoc
We also have a LinkedIn Group for current & alumni postdocs – Washington University in St. Louis Postdocs - please join if you haven’t already. This is a private group for career development and networking and is meant to help postdocs keep in touch, especially after they complete their postdoc.

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