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Photos are up from the 2016 Spring Fling – check them out at
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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. 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
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, founders 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

2. 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 | 12 noon 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.

Register & more information: http://www.asbmb.org/careers/webinars/

3. WUSTL Future Educators’ End of Semester Happy Hour
Future Educators is a student-run group of graduate students and postdocs who are interested in teaching and mentoring. This group has been dormant for a while because the person in-charge graduated. A few of us in DBBS are interested in getting this group up and running again. Our goal is to meet and discuss ideas related to teaching and mentoring in a research-based setting and serve as a resource for locating teaching opportunities in the St. Louis area and around the country. Join us for drinks and refreshments to learn more about Future Educators’ mission (see below for happy hour details). We would love your suggestions for next semester’s events, so please come with your questions and ideas.
Date: Wednesday, June 15th
Time: 5-6pm
Location: McDonnell Courtyard (Rain location: Shell Cafe)

4. Shakespeare in the Park – WUPS postdoc Meet-up
Please join us to see the hilarious Midsummer Night’s Dream. Let’s meet in front of the Art Museum at 7 pm, find a nice spot and enjoy the show together - Beer will be provided. Let’s wear our Postdoc t-shirt to facilitate the meeting!
Please find more information at www.sfstl.com/in-the-park/ and rsvp at: http://goo.gl/forms/r3zswnQoQZNEuASF3
Event sponsored by the WU Postdoc Society

5. 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
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

6. 2nd Rural Cancer Disparities Partnership Retreat

Dr. Graham Colditz and Dr. Aimee James invite you to attend the **2nd Rural Cancer Disparities Partnership Retreat** on **Friday, July 15**. This event is a chance for investigators from WUSTL, Siteman and Southern Illinois University School of Medicine to learn about rural cancer disparities from people working in rural Illinois, and is a great opportunity to form collaborations that maximize the potential to address these disparities.

**Date:** Friday, July 15

**Time:** 9:30am until 2:30pm

**Place:** Washington University School of Medicine, 600 S. Taylor Ave., Taylor Avenue Building, 2nd Floor, Doll & Hill Room 131

**Please RSVP to Sonya Izadi at izadis@wudosis.wustl.edu by July 7**. To learn more about the Rural Cancer Disparities Partnership, visit our website [http://www.ruralcancerdisparities.wustl.edu/](http://www.ruralcancerdisparities.wustl.edu/) or contact Sonya directly.

7. Armenise-Harvard Career Development Award

**APPLICATION CALL 2016: ARMEENISE-HARVARD CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD (CDA)**

The purpose of the Giovanni Armenise-Harvard Foundation is to support the research of promising young scientists, to contribute to the creation of new areas of research in the biological sciences in Italy, and to strengthen and develop collaborative relationships between Italian scientists and those at Harvard Medical School in Boston (HMS).

The Career Development Award consists of three-to-five years of funding allocated to an independent investigator at a host institute in Italy. The program is aimed at young and talented scientists, to enable them to contribute significantly to their areas of research. Funding will become available July 1, 2017. Applicants must:

- be young emerging basic scientists with demonstrated productivity and the ability to function as an independent investigator (*Previous experience working with or at HMS is desirable but not an essential requirement*)
- have a minimum of three years of post-doctoral research experience in basic biological sciences (including at least two years abroad ) and be no more than 10 years from having received a PhD, i.e. the degree should have been received no earlier than July 15, 2006 and no later than July 15, 2013
- be researchers outside of Italy (both in the application stage and at the time of acceptance of the award), who wish to become part of the community of researchers in Italy
- have an agreement for the development of a novel research project in a suitable host institution in Italy (*preferably other than the institution where the candidate has already done doctoral study, post-doctoral research or held a job*)
- not have a pre-existing contract, independent of this grant, with a prospective host institute in Italy. Applications from candidates who have already been offered an appointment at an Italian host institute will not be considered.

The Career Development Award is $200,000 per year and the funds may cover the costs related to compensation of the researcher (*commensurate with the position occupied at the host institution*), salaries of the other members involved in the indicated research project, and equipment/infrastructure.

The Career Development Award Program intends to enable researchers to join the Italian scientific community to pursue a specific research project. Therefore, the nominee cannot accept concurrent grants in support of the same research project at the host institution. Exceptions to this may be made only under exceptional circumstances and should be communicated promptly to the Armenise-Harvard Foundation.

**Deadline for the submission of applications is July 15, 2016**

Further information and application forms for all programs are available at: [Career Development Award](http://www.ruralcancerdisparities.wustl.edu/) or by contacting Elisabetta Vitali, The Giovanni Armenise-Harvard Foundation, 180 Longwood Ave, Suite 110, Boston, MA 02115 USA

Tel: +1 617.432.6258 or [Elisabetta_vitali@hms.harvard.edu](mailto:Elisabetta_vitali@hms.harvard.edu)

8. Postdoc Tuition Benefit

Registration for 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!
9. 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

10. TAMU Research Career Development Symposium for Underrepresented Groups* and Women

We are pleased to announce that the registration is now open for the Research Career Development Symposium for Underrepresented Groups* and Women, which will be held in Rudder Tower on the Texas A&M University campus, Aug 3-5, 2016. This exciting 3-day workshop will provide an opportunity for students, post-doctoral fellows and junior faculty to learn about “strategies you can use” to succeed in a research career. Over 21 speakers and panelists, with expertise in many areas, will provide insights, discuss approaches, share experiences, and answer questions. There will be ample time for networking.

The cost is $50, which includes breaks, 2 continental breakfasts and 2 lunches. There is a focus on women and underrepresented groups in science, but everyone is very welcome. The KEYNOTE speaker is Dr. Ken Ramos, M.D., Ph.D., recently elected to the National Academy of Medicine. Sessions include:

- Strategies for succeeding in the job search
- Mentors – get one, be one
- Successful strategies for grants to NIH and NSF
- Setting up and running your lab
- Developing a clinical research career
- Building a relationship with your chair
- The fine art of negotiation
- Service that serves you

More information and register online at https://secure.touchnet.com/C21490_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=6376
* Refers to a wide range of identities, including (but not limited to) sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, etc.

11. KGI Certificate in Bioscience Management

ANNOUNCING THE CERTIFICATE IN BIOSCIENCE MANAGEMENT and The KGI-Burroughs Wellcome Fund Scholarships

A 12-credit Online Program for PhD Students and Postdoctoral Scientists

Keck Graduate Institute (KGI) will offer the Certificate in Bioscience Management during the 2016-17 academic year in an online format. In support of the launch of this new program, 10 PhD students or postdoctoral scientists will be awarded a KGI Burroughs Wellcome Fund scholarship during the 2016-17 academic year. The classes are taken remotely using the innovative Minerva online Active Learning Forum™ to facilitate synchronous active-learning based education. The time commitment is substantial with 6 credit-hours per semester for two semesters; but it can be accomplished while pursuing full-time work or research at your current institution.

This is a unique and exciting opportunity for PhD students and postdoctoral fellows with backgrounds in sciences to acquire the business, management and networking skills needed to successfully transition to the life sciences industry. The goal of this certificate program is to offer supplemental education to scientists interested in pursuing careers in the applied life sciences industry, or who are interested in learning about the process of commercial development of new therapies.

The coursework includes:
ALS 350: Finance and Accounting Principles (Fall Semester Tuesdays 9am-10:20am)
ALS 351: Corporate Finance (TBD Spring Semester)
ALS 354: Bioscience Strategy (TBD Spring Semester)
ALS 359: Introduction to Bioscience Industries (Fall Semester Mon & Wed 9am-10:20am)
ALS 498: Professional Development for Scientists (Fall Semester Fridays 9am-10:20am)

The courses will be offered:
Fall Semester 2016 (Aug 29 - Dec 16) and Spring Semester 2017 (Jan 17 - May 12). Times indicated are Pacific Time.
To apply or to learn more, email admissions@kgi.edu for more information.

12. Sense About Science Survey
Dear colleagues,
We invite you to take a short, 5-7 minute survey from Sense About Science USA. Many early career scientists participate in outreach and communication activities geared toward engaging with non-scientists. We would like to better understand how and why undergraduates, graduates, post-docs, and early-career scientists participate in such public engagement activities.
Thank you,
Neda Afsarmanesh, Deputy Director, Sense About Science USA
About SAS USA: Sense About Science USA (www.senseaboutscienceusa.org) is a nonprofit (501c3) based in Brooklyn, New York; our mission is to create and curate a national conversation about the value of scientific progress and the importance of evidence and transparency.

13. 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.

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:
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Twitter: @WUSTLPostdoc, WUSTL Postdoc Office http://twitter.com/wustlpostdoc
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