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1. Spring 2017 Career Fair 1/26
   Thursday, January 26, 2017, 3:00-7:00 p.m.
   Athletic Center, Varsity Gym (Danforth Campus)
The Danforth Campus will host local and national organizations on Thursday, January 26 for the Spring 2017 Internship & Job Career Fair. Employers will be hiring for both internships and full-time positions. The fair will provide WUSTL students a unique opportunity
to meet and interview with dozens of potential employers in a short amount of time. All WUSTL students and alumni are invited to attend. Professional attire (a suit) is strongly recommended. For more information log into CAREERlink or call (314) 935-5930.

More information: [http://careercenter.wustl.edu/events/Pages/springcareerfair.aspx](http://careercenter.wustl.edu/events/Pages/springcareerfair.aspx)

2. **New Year Happy Hour 2017 1/31**

Let’s ring in the New Year with our fellow postdocs. Join us for a board game night and lots of fun!

Tuesday, January 31st, 2017

4:30 PM at Shell's Cafe

Drinks and finger food will be provided!

Sponsored by the WashU Postdoc Society

RSVP: [https://goo.gl/gWM9mh](https://goo.gl/gWM9mh)

3. **BEC-Sling Health Seminar: Individual IP Protection in the biomedical field 2/1**

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

6:00-7:00 PM (5:45 PM Check-In)

Holden Auditorium

Myers Dill, J.D. from Husch Blackwell will discuss navigating intellectual property generation, protection, and commercialization.

Dinner and drinks will be provided so please RSVP

4. **WashU Postdoc Society Monthly Meeting 2/2**

Thursday, February 2, 2016, 9 am, FLTC 214

Join the WashU Postdoc Society for our monthly meeting where we discuss Postdoc Life related issues and plan social and career development events. Free coffee! Questions? Contact us at postdocsociety@wustl.edu.

5. **STEM Pedagogies Workshop 2/7**

Inclusive Teaching Practices in STEM

Tuesday, February 7th, 2017

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Danforth Campus

This is a foundational workshop for the WU-CIRTL program. This workshop is open to Washington University graduate students beyond their first year and postdoctoral appointees in STEM, and is part of the STEM Pedagogies series. Register: [https://teachingcenter.wustl.edu/events/2017-0207-inclusive_teaching_stem/](https://teachingcenter.wustl.edu/events/2017-0207-inclusive_teaching_stem/)

6. **LEAP Inventor Challenge Workshops 2/7**

Tuesday, February 7 @ 600 S. Taylor Ave.

MIDDAY SESSION: 11:30am-1:30pm

EVENING SESSION: 5:30pm-7:30pm

The Skandalaris Center is kicking off the Spring 2017 cycle of the LEAP Inventor Challenge (formerly “Bear Cub Challenge”) with an introductory workshop on Tuesday, February 7. There will be two identical LEAP workshop sessions on Tuesday, February 7 at the new Skandalaris Facility housed at the Institute for Public Health (Medical Campus). Each session will begin with a general purpose orientation, followed by a drug discovery workshop by Michael Kinch and Ron Dolle for relevant applicants. The LEAP Inventor Challenge is open to all faculty, postdoc, staff and graduate student teams who have a potential invention. Learn more about LEAP or apply to the Spring 2017 cycle [here](https://teachingcenter.wustl.edu/events/2017-0207-inclusive_teaching_stem/).

7. **New Grant-Writing Tools for R and K Mechanisms 2/16**

Thursday, February 16, 2017, noon-1:00 p.m., Schwarz Auditorium ([map](https://www.google.com/maps/place/Tower+4+-+Wash+U+St+Louis+Campus/@38.6102994,-90.2803602,14z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x88f1b509117f2ac7:0x4352e0d0b4b2eb96!8m2!3d38.6102993!4d-90.2781909?hl=en))

What to Know about NIH Peer Review

OFA Career Development Programs

8. **13th Annual WU Postdoc Scientific Symposium – Save the Date!**

Thursday, March 30, 2017, 1-5 pm, FLTC Connor Auditorium & Atrium, Medical Campus

**Keynote:** Jabbar R. Bennett, Ph.D., Associate Provost for Diversity and Inclusion at Northwestern University

All WU postdocs in STEM fields are encouraged to submit an abstract for either a judged or unjudged poster.

**Poster abstracts due February 13, 2017!**

Nominations for Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award due February 17, 2017: [https://goo.gl/forms/zcFqd4B030J4Br752](https://goo.gl/forms/zcFqd4B030J4Br752)

More information: [http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Postdocs/PostdocSymposium/Pages/default.aspx](http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Postdocs/PostdocSymposium/Pages/default.aspx)
9. Burroughs Wellcome Fund Collaborative Travel Grants – due 2/1
The Collaborative Research Travel Grant (CRTG) program provides up to $15,000 in support for relatively unrestricted travel funds to academic scientists (faculty and postdocs) at U.S. or Canadian degree-granting institutions. Grants must be used for domestic or international travel to another lab to learn new research techniques or begin or continue a collaboration to address biomedical questions. All proposals must be cross-disciplinary. Applicants with a doctoral degree in the physical, mathematical, or engineering sciences working on a biological problem are encouraged to apply. Conversely, proposals from biological scientists who desire to collaborate with a physical scientist, mathematician, or engineer are also encouraged to apply.
Application deadline: February 1, 2017
More info and to apply: http://www.bwfund.org/grant-programs/biomedical-sciences/collaborative-research-travel-grants

10. Children’s Discovery Institute (CDI) Funding Mechanisms – LOI due 2/1
The Children’s Discovery Institute (CDI) requests applications from all Washington University faculty members and postdoctoral trainees for its spring submission cycle. Applications for the following funding mechanisms will be considered for funding: Large Scale Interdisciplinary Research Initiatives, Core Large Initiatives, Educational Initiatives, and Faculty Recruitment/Scholar Awards. More information about these funding mechanisms as well as the CDI’s submission forms and guidelines can be found on the CDI website (www.childrensdiscovery.org/Grants.aspx). Letters of Intent must be submitted by February 1, 2017. Proposals will be due April 3, 2017.

11. L’Oreal USA For Women in Science Fellowship
The L’Oréal USA For Women in Science fellowship program awards five women postdoctoral scientists annually with grants of $60,000 each for their contributions in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields and commitment to serving as role models for younger generations. The program is the U.S. component of the L’Oréal–UNESCO For Women in Science International Fellowships. Celebrating its thirteenth year in the U.S., the For Women in Science program has awarded 65 postdoctoral women scientists over $3 million in grants.
Application Deadline: February 3, 2017
More information and to apply: http://www.lorealusa.com/csr-commitments/the-%E2%80%99or%C3%A9al-corporate-foundation/science/%E2%80%99or%C3%A9al-usa-for-women-in-science-program

Two prizes of $1000 each will be awarded for the most original and important accomplishments in neuroscience research by a predoctoral or postdoctoral fellow. Current Washington University predoctoral students, postdoctoral fellows and residents are invited to submit a summary of their work to Chris Weihl weihlc@wustl.edu. The submission must arrive no later than 5pm, February 13th, 2017.
More information: http://neuroscienceresearch.wustl.edu/Pages/OLearyPrize.aspx

13. Hanna H. Gray Fellows Program
The Hanna H. Gray Fellows Program seeks to increase diversity in the biomedical research community by recruitment and retention of individuals from groups underrepresented in the life sciences. Through their successful careers as academic scientists, Hanna H. Gray Fellows will move science forward and inspire the next generation of scientists from America’s diverse talent pool. The Institute will select and support up to 15 Fellows in this first competition, which is now open for applications. Fellows will receive funding for their postdoctoral training and, if eligible, in their early career years as independent faculty. The program includes opportunities for career development, including mentoring and active involvement in the HHMI scientific community.
More information: http://www.hhmi.org/programs/hanna-h-gray-fellows-program
Application due: February 15, 2017

14. ASM Congressional Science Fellowship – due 2/17
The American Society for Microbiology (ASM) Congressional Science Fellowship program will select a postdoctoral to mid-career microbiologist to spend one year on the staff of an individual congressman, congressional committee, or with some other appropriate organizational unit of Congress. More info: http://www.asm.org/index.php/meetings/132-policy/public-and-scientific-affairsboard/7535-congressional-science-fellowship-application
Application deadline: February 17, 2017

15. Zuckerman STEM Leadership Program Postdoctoral Fellowship
FIVE fellowships are available for outstanding postdoctoral fellows from the US at the Hebrew University for the academic year 2017-18. Funding: Each Zuckerman Postdoctoral Fellow will be awarded $50,000 per year for two years, $36,000 per year devoted to living expenses, and $14,000 per year allocated for research ($10,000) and travel ($4000) expenses. Deadline for Applications: March 1, 2017. More information: http://zuckerman-scholars.org
Questions? Contact Limor Levy at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem: limor@savion.huji.ac.il, +972-2-5882924
16. Global Health and Infectious Disease Trainee Oral Symposium – Abstracts due 2/1
Postdocs doing infectious disease research are encouraged to submit their abstract to present a talk and/or poster at the Global Health and Infectious Disease Trainee Oral Symposium and Conference - March 30 and 31, 2017.
Abstracts due February 1, 2017.

17. NIH Mock Study Section – LOI due 2/10
Save the date: Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Location: TBD
The Office of Training Grants hosts Mock Study Sections twice a year, which are designed to simulate an actual NIH study section. NIH clinical and translational R, K, and F series grant applications submitted to the Mock Study Section will be reviewed, critiqued, and scored by three internal faculty members as well as other study section members, and the feedback will be distributed to applicants prior to the NIH grant deadline.
All investigators preparing an NIH grant application for the R, K, and F series are encouraged to submit their clinical or translational proposals for this internal review. Letters of Intent are due Friday, February 10, 2017. Guidelines can be found here.
Observers are also encouraged to attend to get a better understanding of the review process.

18. Postdoctoral Mentored Training Program in Clinical Investigation (MTPCI)
The Clinical Research Training Center (CRTC) is now accepting applications for programs providing advanced training in clinical investigation: Postdoctoral Mentored Training Program in Clinical Investigation (MTPCI)
MTPCI provides multidisciplinary clinical and translational research training to promote the career development of junior faculty and postdoctoral fellows by helping them become clinical and translational researchers.
• 17 credit hour training program
• Typically takes 2-3 years to complete
• Tuition discount
• 50-60% protected time required
• US citizen or permanent residency required
• Can add credits and complete MSCI degree!
Applications due April 17th

19. LEAP Inventor Challenge
Leadership in Entrepreneurial Acceleration Program
Formerly the “Bear Cub Challenge,” the LEAP Inventor Challenge is open to all faculty, postdoc, staff and graduate student teams who have a potential invention. Each year, there are three cycles of the LEAP Inventor Challenge. Throughout the program, teams receive mentorship from experts in their fields. At the end of each cycle, teams have the potential to win funding to help progress their inventions towards commercialization.
Applications are now open for the Spring 2017 cycle of the LEAP Inventor Challenge.
Apply here: http://skandalaris.wustl.edu/funding/leap/
Questions about the competition or application? Contact John Brenner, jbrenner@wustl.edu

20. Postdoc Mentors Needed for YSP Summer Focus
The Young Scientist Program's Summer Focus is looking for postdocs to mentor rising seniors in high school over the summer. You may be familiar with the WUSTL Young Scientist Program (YSP), a volunteer-based organization where members of the WashU community (predominantly graduate students) work with St. Louis youth to enrich science education. YSP runs an eight-week long program every summer for rising high school seniors to expose these students to research and work in a laboratory. In addition to working in the lab, each student is given a personal tutor and participates in a writing course to increase his or her scientific comprehension.
Every year we look for enthusiastic mentors to host a high school student in their lab. Would you be able to mentor one of our Summer Focus students this summer?
While mentoring is a time commitment, previous volunteers have cited mentoring as a valuable and rewarding experience and an excellent opportunity to improve teaching and leadership skills. Above all, hosting a Summer Focus student is a fantastic, meaningful way to boost scientific literacy within the St. Louis public school system.
If you or any members of your lab have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at ypsf.assistantdirector@gmail.com, or Rebecca Cunningham at ypsf.director@gmail.com.

21. AWIS Outreach Events
The Association for Women in Science (AWIS) has a fantastic upcoming outreach opportunity with the local middle schools of St. Louis. We are in need of women scientists, engineers (or any related STEM field) who would like to spend an hour or two having
breakfast with female middle schoolers to teach them about potential STEM careers. If you identify as female scientist or engineer, and are yearning to inspire young female future scientists, I invite you to RSVP for one of these breakfasts (cooked by students as well)! Many of us attended the breakfasts last year, and they were a great success to the schools, and all of the volunteers had a great time. To RSVP, please fill out the google form below. We are especially in need of volunteers on the Feb 15 date, but we'd love to have you any of the dates you are able and willing to make!

**RSVP here:** [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeg-k49MdOlNkYnKb5p6WtVvwG9h7EDAc2gjILAd_6xeP8KEzw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeg-k49MdOlNkYnKb5p6WtVvwG9h7EDAc2gjILAd_6xeP8KEzw/viewform)

22. **Website & Workshop Coordinators Needed at Harris-Stowe State University (Part-Time)**

The Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences at Harris-Stowe State University is seeking two (2) temporary, part-time coordinators to assist with creating a website and coordinating a grant-funded workshop. Duties will include coordinating with various offices at Harris-Stowe State University and detailed record keeping. **Applicants should include a Curriculum Vita (CV) with contact information for at least 3 references, any undergraduate and graduate transcripts, and a cover letter with their application.** Apply through the Human Resources department ([http://www.hssu.edu/rsp_jobs.cfm?wid=10](http://www.hssu.edu/rsp_jobs.cfm?wid=10)): in the academic affairs tab. Harris-Stowe State University is a historically Black institution (HBCU) located in the heart of vibrant mid-town St. Louis, Missouri. Harris-Stowe’s beautiful campus is minutes from the renowned Gateway Arch, St. Louis Zoo, St. Louis Art and History Museums, Forest Park and other cultural and educational institutions. Harris-Stowe’s diverse faculty and staff provide a wide range of academic programs to one of the most culturally diverse student bodies in the St. Louis region.

23. **Partnership for Clean Competition 2017 Conference & Travel Awards**

"Beyond Research: Translating Innovation into Impact in the Anti-Doping Sphere"

April 11-12, 2017, Major League Baseball HQ, New York City

The 2017 Partnership for Clean Competition (PCC) Conference will feature researchers, lab directors, and policy experts that are facilitating innovation in the anti-doping sphere. Important breakthroughs in alternative matrices and testing methods are just a few of the topics that will be discussed. Attendees will also enjoy talks by Olympic Movement and professional athletes. Early bird registration ends **February 1, 2017.** Conference information: [www.cleancompetition.org/conference](http://www.cleancompetition.org/conference)

**Travel Grants:** The PCC will be offering two travel grants to qualifying recipients.

**Grant Awards:**

- **US recipients:** Conference registration + $1,000 to cover hotel and airfare; **International recipients:** Conference registration + $1,500 to cover hotel and airfare.

Interested parties should email their current CV and a letter of interest to Jenna Celmer at [Jcelmer@cleancompetition.org](mailto:Jcelmer@cleancompetition.org).

24. **iBiology Business Concepts for Biomedical Scientists**

The purpose of the Business Concepts for Biomedical Scientists training program is to enhance PhD scientists’ understanding of foundational business concepts. This business coursework is unique because it is designed to prepare scientists for career transitions into both academic and non-academic settings. The course comprises a series of three modules - Business Strategy, Finance and Business Development. Videos are available here: [https://www.ibiology.org/ibiomagazine/business-concepts-biomedical-scientists.html](https://www.ibiology.org/ibiomagazine/business-concepts-biomedical-scientists.html)

25. **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](mailto:postdoc@wusm.wustl.edu).

**OPA is on Twitter & Facebook!** 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:

**Twitter:** [@WUSTLPpostdoc, WUSTL Postdoc Office](http://twitter.com/wustlpostdoc)

**Facebook:** [https://www.facebook.com/OPA.WUSTL](https://www.facebook.com/OPA.WUSTL), Washington University Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

We also have a [LinkedIn Group](https://www.linkedin.com/groups) for current & alumni postdocs – [Washington University in St. Louis Postdocs](https://www.linkedin.com/groups) - 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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