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1. Halloween Postdoc Happy Hour 10/25
   It is that time of the year again!!! Join us for our Halloween Postdoc Happy Hour on Tuesday, Oct. 25th 2016, from 4-5:30 pm in FLTC room 214. We will have a pumpkin carving competition, a spooky trivia, beer and non-alcoholic beverages, snacks and candy! If you want to participate in the carving competition, please bring your own carving set! Guests and kids are welcome! Wear a costume for the event if you like, you won’t be alone!

RSVP here: https://goo.gl/2VR2Bp

Event sponsored by the WU Postdoc Society (WUPS). For questions, reach us here: postdocsociety@wustl.edu
2. Opportunities for PhDs Beyond the Research Professorate 10/25 & 10/27
   Tuesday, October 25, 4:00-5:30 p.m. Medical School Campus – FLTC 210
   Thursday, October 27, 11:30-1:00 p.m. Danforth Campus - DUC 234
   Open to all graduate students and postdocs. Attendance is limited to these events. To register, please log into CAREERlink at careercenter.wustl.edu. Search the calendar for the times and dates listed above and RSVP. Don’t have a CAREERlink account? Contact the Career Center at 314-935-5930 or email careers@wustl.edu.

3. Amy Cuddy: Power and Presence 10/26
   Wednesday, October 26, 12:00pm, Graham Chapel (Danforth Campus)
   Amy Cuddy is a social psychologist and professor at Harvard Business School. Her research focuses on how nonverbal behavior and snap judgments influence people. She is the author of the New York Times Bestseller Presence: Bringing Your Boldest Self to Your Biggest Challenges, and her video, “Your Body Language Shapes Who You Are,” is the second most viewed TED talk of all time.
   More information: http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Resources/Pages/calendar_event.aspx?EvID=4864

4. OUTgrads October Happy Hour 10/26
   • Wednesday, October 26
   • Three Kings Pub

5. Individual Development Plan (IDP) Workshop 10/27
   Thursday, October 27, 2016, 1 pm, Holden Auditorium
   In this interactive workshop, you will have the opportunity to create a new Individual Development Plan (IDP) or update an existing IDP. Jessica Hutchins, Ph.D., DBBS & OPA Education Coordinator, will lead you through the steps of self-assessment and goal-setting that can help you stay on track both academically and professionally.
   Register and more info: http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Resources/Pages/calendar_event.aspx?EvID=4824

6. ProSPER Science Policy & Writing Fellowship Info Session 10/27
   When: Thursday, October 27, 5:30 - 6:30 pm
   Where: Cori Auditorium, McDonnell Medical Sciences Building, Medical Campus (4565 McKinley Ave.)
   *For those on the Danforth Campus, there is an eastbound metro train that leaves from Skinker Station at 5:18 pm
   Come learn about fellowship opportunities in science policy and communication! We will cover the AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellowship, AAAS Mass Media Fellowship, and the Presidential Management Fellowship. A 2015 Mass Media Fellow will also give a brief presentation, followed by Q&A. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP is requested: http://bit.ly/2ccWBeT

7. 8 Ways to Successfully Navigate NIH Peer Review and Get a Fellowship Grant 11/2
   Wednesday, November 2, 2016, 1 pm
   Medical Campus: Holden Auditorium
   Danforth Campus: DUC 276
   The Vice Chancellor for Research is hosting a viewing of this NIH webinar on peer review and the fellowship application process. This briefing will be led by representatives from the NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSF) and will cover the key things applicants need to know about the submission and review of their fellowship applications.
   More info: http://public.csr.nih.gov/Pages/csrwebinar.aspx

8. Faculty Career Hiring Panel 11/3
   Thursday, November 3, 2016, 1 pm, Holden Auditorium
   Do you have questions about the academic faculty hiring process? What should you include in your application packet? What happens on interview day, and how do I prepare? How do search committees and department heads make their decisions? For all these topics and more, please join us for a panel discussion on academic hiring processes and experiences with panelists:
   Lilianna Solnica-Krezel, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head of Developmental Biology
   Samantha Morris, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Developmental Biology and Genetics
   Register and more info: http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Resources/Pages/calendar_event.aspx?EvID=4798

9. OUTgrads LGBTQ+ Reading 11/3
   • Thursday, November 3 // 8-9 PM
   • Hurst Lounge, Dunker Hall (Danforth Campus)
   • Join us for an evening featuring original fiction, nonfiction, and poetry by new OUTgrads members in the MFA in Writing Program. Drinks, snacks, and mingling to follow!
10. Focus on Teaching & Technology Conference at UMSL
November 3-4, 2016
The Focus on Teaching and Technology Conference offers an ensemble of keynote addresses, faculty innovations during concurrent sessions, technology workshops, and vendor exhibits. The conference program has evolved over the years to reflect emerging trends in technology applications in higher education and shared expertise in online teaching experiences and strategies. Because Washington University is a conference sponsor, WU postdocs can attend for free. Register using the Sponsored Attendee link and select Washington University from the university affiliation dropdown menu.
Register: [http://www.umsl.edu/services/ctl/fttc/](http://www.umsl.edu/services/ctl/fttc/) (Select the Sponsored Attendee registration option)

11. SLU Center for Neuroscience 2nd Annual Research Symposium
November 4 2016, 1-5 pm
The SLU Center for Neuroscience will be holding its second Annual Research Symposium this coming November. This symposium offers the opportunity for members of the SLU community to showcase ongoing research that furthers our understanding of the function of the nervous system in health and disease. The symposium will consist of a seminar by a nationally-recognized speaker, a 2-hour poster session, followed by a reception. Attendance is open to all members of the University as well as the wider community. By providing a space to highlight projects that connect to the Center’s mission, the symposium aims not only to raise awareness about Center members’ activities but also to promote collaboration, disseminate knowledge, and provide an opportunity for networking and continued growth of neuroscience research and scholarship at Saint Louis University
Registration for the meeting can be done here: [https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slu-center-for-neuroscience/registration-for-symposium](https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slu-center-for-neuroscience/registration-for-symposium)
There are no registration or submission fees. Call for abstracts has now closed.

12. WUPS Danforth Campus Career Talk & Coffee Hour 11/10
Thursday, November 10th, 2016 4:30pm-6pm, Green Hall L0159 (Danforth Campus)
Join the Wash U Postdoc Society for its first Danforth Campus Career Talk & Coffee Hour. Arlene Taich, Ph.D., of the Career Center and specializing in Graduate and Postdoctoral Scholar Career Development, will lead a discussion regarding career paths, both traditional and non-traditional, for postdocs. Coffee, refreshments and snacks will be served.

13. NIH Mock Study Section 11/15
November 15, 2016, 12:00 pm-4:00 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.
Event information: [https://crtc.wustl.edu/otg/nih-mock-study-section/](https://crtc.wustl.edu/otg/nih-mock-study-section/)

Tuesday, Nov 15, 2016 @ 6:00 pm
Bar Italia Ristorante, 13 Maryland Plaza, Central West End
- Choose two topic tables of interest
- Enjoy lively discussions with colleagues from all over the medical school
- Includes wine, dinner, and dessert
- All WU faculty, postdocs, fellows and housestaff are welcome!
AWN members $40 / non-members $45 / on-site $50. Go to awn.wustl.edu to register and pay on line (by 11/14/16) and/or to joinAWN. For other payment options contact: [rivera_k@kids.wustl.edu](mailto:rivera_k@kids.wustl.edu).

15. WashU Epigenome Day 11/21
Washington University School of Medicine will host the first WashU Epigenome Day on November 21, 2016 from 10am to 5:30pm. WashU Epigenome day 2016 is free and open to the public and includes a keynote address by Bing Ren, PhD, Professor of Cellular and Molecular Medicine at University of California, San Diego, two seminars and two workshops, focusing on genomics resources generated by large consortia including ENCODE and Roadmap/Epigenomics projects. Visit the WashU Epigenome Day
16. Skandalaris Center Cup – due 10/31
Want to turn your idea into a business, but don’t know where to start?
...the Skandalaris Center Cup (SC Cup) is meant for you! This business plan competition provides expert mentorship to early-stage ventures, preparing them to commercialize their idea and pitch to investors. $5,000 in awards.
Who is eligible: WashU students, postdocs, recent alumni, and junior faculty
Deadline to apply: October 31
Post your idea: http://ideabounce.com/SCC2017/
Questions: John Brenner jbrenner@wustl.edu

17. Center of Regenerative Medicine Postdoctoral Fellow Seed Grants – due 10/31
Through the generous support of numerous departments, schools and the Dean of the School of Medicine, the CRM is pleased to offer one-year research seed grants to postdoctoral fellows. The intent of these grants is to facilitate innovative research in regenerative medicine, focused on human pluripotent stem cells (hPSCs), human adult tissue stem cells (ASCs), or newly initiated interdisciplinary collaborations among CRM labs. We anticipate that these grants will be used to generate sufficient data to apply for extramural funding. Please visit http://devbio.wustl.edu/REGMED/funding1.html for full details.

18. Sloan Foundation Microbiology of the Built Environment – LOI due 10/31
The Sloan Foundation has just released a new grant opportunity for postdoctoral fellowships. The foundation is teaming up with NASA to promote microbiology research related to the space program as part of their general interest in building the field of Microbiology of the Built Environment.
Sloan is accepting applications (notice of intent due 10/31, proposals due 11/30) for two Postdoctoral Fellowships to study microbial populations isolated from the International Space Station. These would be $140K/two-year awards. Eligible applicants are: graduate students in final year of their PhD, postdoctoral fellows (PhD, MD - with fewer than 4 years of training), or those who received a doctoral degree within the past 2 years, but have not yet had postdoctoral training.
Please contact Deepa Srikanta srikanta@wustl.edu if you have further questions.

19. AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellowships
AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellowships (STPF) provide opportunities to outstanding scientists and engineers to learn firsthand about policymaking and contribute their knowledge and analytical skills in the policy realm. Fellows serve yearlong assignments in the federal government and represent a broad range of backgrounds, disciplines, and career stages. Each year, STPF adds to a growing corps over 3,000 strong of policy-savvy leaders working across academia, government, nonprofits, and industry to serve the nation and citizens around the world. The application deadline is November 1, 11:59 p.m. ET. For more information about the AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellowships, please visit our website at http://www.aaas.org/stpf. Questions? Please contact us at fellowships@aaas.org or 202-326-6700.

20. Partnership for Clean Competition Fellowship Program
The PCC Fellowship Program supports qualified scientists interested in the field of anti-doping, committed to meaningful research, and demonstrating potential for long-term contribution to the field of anti-doping science. Fellows selected by the PCC participate in a two-year program. Fellows gain practical knowledge from a U.S.-based, WADA-accredited laboratory and conduct research supporting the anti-doping field. The Fellow will receive a $50,000 per year stipend in each of the first two years. The institutions in which the research will be conducted would be paid overhead in addition to the salary stipend. Either the WADA-accredited laboratory or the Fellow’s home institution will still be eligible to apply for other research project funds from the PCC. Please note that the most important criteria for acceptance into the program is the quality of the postdoctoral fellow and not the proposed research per se. Application deadline is November 1, 2016.
More information: http://www.cleancompetition.org/application-center/

21. Regeneron Prize for Outstanding Research
Washington University is being invited to nominate two graduate students and two post-doctoral fellows for the Regeneron Prize for Outstanding Research. The mission of the prize is to recognize and honor Excellence in Biomedical Science conducted by graduate students and post-doctoral fellows.
Prize details: One graduate student and one post-doctoral fellow will be selected to receive the Regeneron Prize for Outstanding Research each year. Each prize will include a check for $50,000. In addition, prize winners will receive a $5,000 donation to their home institution to help support their seminar series. Semi-finalists and finalists for each prize will be awarded $5,000 (approximately 8-10 applicants for each prize will be selected for this distinction).
Instructions for Internal Selection

2016 webpage https://becker.wustl.edu/epigenomeday for details on the event schedule and to reserve a seat to attend the workshops. For additional information, contact Maze Ndonwi at ndonwimaze@wustl.edu.
If you wish to propose a candidate for Washington University's nomination(s), please forward the following materials for internal review:

1. **Cover page**
2. Applicant's curriculum vitae (including publications)
3. Research proposal (two single-spaced pages) describing a "dream" project that you would want to do within the field of biomedical science. As a guideline, applicants should imagine what research they would do if they had access to the resources and technologies available in the Regeneron environment. Applicants should include a description of the design of the project as well as its potential to make an impact in biomedicine.

Nomination materials should be submitted electronically as a single PDF to: internalselections@wustl.edu at (or near) 11:59 P.M. **November 15, 2016.**

*Please note that the application from the selected candidate is anticipated to be due January 2017.*

The research proposal guidelines for the 2016 competition are available here as a guide.

**22. American Association of University Women (AAUW) fellowships**
One of the world's largest sources of funding for graduate women, AAUW is providing more than $3.7 million in funding for more than 230 fellowships and grants to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations in the 2016–17 academic year. American Fellowship for postdoctoral study due **November 15, 2016;** International Fellowship for postdoctoral study due **December 1, 2016.**


**23. 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

More info: [https://crtc.wustl.edu/programs/postdoctoral/mtpci/](https://crtc.wustl.edu/programs/postdoctoral/mtpci/). **Apply by November 1, 2016**

**24. WU TIES Educational Specialist Positions**
The Transformational Initiative for Education in STEM (TIES) at Washington University is hiring two Educational Specialists, one in the Department of Biology, and one in the Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences. The TIES Educational Specialists will collaborate with faculty to implement course transformations by supporting the introduction of evidenced-based pedagogies, conducting rigorous assessments of the transformed course, and helping faculty increase their knowledge of teaching and learning. Both positions are full time, time-limited (3 years) staff positions. More information can be found in the following links: [https://circle.wustl.edu/open-position-ties-education-specialist-biology/](https://circle.wustl.edu/open-position-ties-education-specialist-biology/) and [https://circle.wustl.edu/open-position-ties-education-specialist-psychological-brain-sciences/](https://circle.wustl.edu/open-position-ties-education-specialist-psychological-brain-sciences/). **Respond by 10/31.**

**25. WUSTL Grants Library**
The Office of Training Grants (OTG) has developed a [Grants Library](http://wustl.lib.wustl.edu/otg/) to serve as a centralized resource for grant writers and investigators at various career stages. This site contains:

- Awarded training, career, and research grant applications (NIH, private, and institutional)
- General stock language and proposal templates and tools

This resource is available on Box to all Washington University faculty, staff, and students with a WUSTL key. If you are a successful grant recipient and would like to share a read-only version of your grant, please fill out the [Grant Library Consent Form](http://wustl.lib.wustl.edu/otg/consentform), and send the portions of the application that you are comfortable sharing to Betsy Abente. The OTG can assist in with de-identifying budgetary or any other sensitive information contained in your application.

**26. Join the National Postdoctoral Association (NPA) for FREE!**
As you may know, Wash U is a Sustaining Member of the National Postdoctoral Association (NPA) and one of the greatest benefits is you can become an Affiliate Member of the NPA for free! We encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity to help you network with other postdocs across the country and gain access to members-only resources that can help further your career.

**Signing up is simple. Click on this link and register with your @wustl email address.** Once you click "Submit," the NPA Membership Manager will review your Affiliate membership within five working days and you will receive an email when it has been approved. As an NPA Affiliate Member, you are entitled to these benefits:

- **Subscription** to NPA e-alerts, a periodic news announcement, and The POSTDOcket, the NPA’s official quarterly newsletter
- **Reduced registration fees** to the NPA Annual Meeting & eligibility for the NPA travel award program
- Access to members-only NPA web content, such as career planning resources and policy information
- Access to NPA member groups to connect & network with fellow NPA members
- Discounts to some services and products.
- Opportunities to serve and contribute your expertise on a variety of NPA committees
- National representation on postdoctoral issues

27. NPA Travel Awards to 15th Annual Meeting – due 11/4
The National Postdoctoral Association (NPA) is pleased to offer travel awards for postdoctoral scholars to attend our [15th Annual Meeting](https://www.npa-postdoc.org/annual-meeting), which will be held at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, California, March 17 - 19, 2017. The awards will first cover registration and lodging, and then travel expenses up to the limit of the award. Travel award amounts will vary, but the maximum amount awarded will be $1,000. Applications will be accepted through [Friday, November 4, 2016, at 11:59 p.m. ET](https://www.npa-postdoc.org/travel-awards). Click [here](https://www.npa-postdoc.org/travel-awards) for more details about applying.

28. The NIH Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs) are now accepting applications!
The escalating costs of advanced education and training in medicine and clinical specialties are forcing some scientists to abandon their research careers for higher-paying private sector careers. The LRPs counteract that financial pressure by repaying up to $35,000/year (for 2 years) of a researcher’s qualified educational debt in return for a commitment to engage in NIH mission-relevant research. Since tomorrow’s medical breakthroughs will be made by investigators starting their research careers today, the LRPs represent an important investment by NIH in the future of health discovery and the wellbeing of the Nation. The deadline to submit your application is November 15. Visit [www.lrp.nih.gov](http://www.lrp.nih.gov) for more details and to apply.

29. 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).

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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 [current & alumni postdocs – Washington University in St. Louis Postdocs](https://www.linkedin.com/groups?home=true&gid=3635447) - 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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