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1. 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/)
2. 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.

3. Searching OVID Medline 2/7
Tuesday, February 7, 2017, 2:00 pm-3:30 pm, FLTC 602
OVID provides a user friendly interface to searching the Medline database. In this session you will learn how the OVID search system automatically maps words to the correct index term for more relevant search results. You will also learn how to take a focused question and create a search strategy where you will use features such as “explode”, “focus” or limits such as publication year or type. Finally you will learn to display, save, print or email your results. (Instructor: Kim Lipsey)
Register: https://becker.wustl.edu/civicrm/event/info?reset=1&id=204

4. OUTgrads Equality Day at Jefferson City 2/14
When: February 14, 2017; 9AM-3PM
Where: Jefferson City, Missouri State Capitol Building
What: Help take a stand against harmful anti-LGBTQ legislation. Find more information here. If you'd like to attend and carpool with other OUTgrads members, fill out this form.

Thursday, February 16, 2017, noon-1:00 p.m., Schwarz Auditorium (map)
What to Know about NIH Peer Review
OFA Career Development Programs

6. Showcase Celebrating Black History Month 2/16
Showcase is back and is celebrating Black History Month with Dr. Sarah England! Dr. England will be speaking Feb. 16th at 5:30 in Cori Auditorium. Happy Hour will follow.
Dr. England is a Professor of OB/GYN whose research focuses on the molecular mechanisms underlying uterine function during pregnancy, specifically by investigating the roles of potassium channels in regulating both vascular and uterine smooth muscle excitability. Her lab's work is important because mechanisms that underlie uterine smooth muscle excitation during pregnancy remain unknown today, and this continues to hamper progress toward effective treatment of uterine dysfunction such as preterm labor.
This event is sponsored by the Association of Black Biomedical Graduate Students (ABBGS), the Graduate Association of Latin American Students (GALAS) and the DBBS Office of Diversity. ABBGS and GALAS promote the inclusion of all minorities in biomedical science. If you have questions, please email ABBGS at ABBGS.info@gmail.com.

Save the date for Global Health Week. Students from all schools are welcome. Activities include: global health case competition, photo competition and art exhibition, faculty presentations, opportunities in global health fair, and movie/film screening. Visiting speaker talks for the week include:
Linda Garro, PhD, University of California, Los Angeles
    February 22  |  4 pm, Danforth Campus
    February 23  |  12:10 pm, Medical Campus
John McArthur, PhD, Brookings Institute
    February 23  |  4 pm, Danforth Campus

8. Career Talk: Tauseef Charanya, Ph.D., Boston Consulting Group 2/24
Friday, February 24, 2017, 1 pm, Becker 405
Spring is ADC recruiting time and BCG is now hiring! We wanted to reach out and introduce an important person here at BCG that will be coming to your campus later this month: Tauseef Charanya, Ph.D. Tauseef is currently a consultant in our New Jersey office and is a Washington University Ph.D. alum, biomedical engineering, and can't wait to meet you!
Tauseef will be on campus on **Friday, February 24th between 1:00 – 2:00 PM at Becker 405**, on the medical campus, so feel free to stop by and meet him. **Snacks and beverages will be provided!**


**9. 13th Annual WU Postdoc Scientific Symposium – Poster abstracts & mentor nominations due soon!**

**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)


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](mailto:weihlc@wustl.edu). *The submission must arrive no later than 5pm, February 13th, 2017.*

More information: [http://neurosciencesearch.wustl.edu/Pages/OLearyPrize.aspx](http://neurosciencesearch.wustl.edu/Pages/OLearyPrize.aspx)

**11. 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.


**Application due February 15, 2017**

**12. ASM Congressional Science Fellowship – due 2/17**


Application deadline: February 17, 2017

**13. Zuckerman STEM Leadership Program Postdoctoral Fellowship**

FIVE fellowships are available for outstanding post doctoral 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](http://zuckerman-scholars.org)

Questions? Contact Limor Levy at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem: [limor@savion.huji.ac.il](mailto:limor@savion.huji.ac.il), +972-2-5882924

**14. 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](http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Postdocs/PostdocSymposium/Pages/default.aspx).

**Observers** are also encouraged to attend to get a better understanding of the review process.

**15. 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.

**Deadline to apply:** February 14, 2017

**Apply here:** [http://skandalaris.wustl.edu/funding/leap/](http://skandalaris.wustl.edu/funding/leap/)

**Questions about the competition or application?** Contact John Brenner, jbrenner@wustl.edu

16. 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 yspsf.assistantdirector@gmail.com, or Rebecca Cunningham at yspsf.director@gmail.com.

17. 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)](http://skandalaris.wustl.edu/funding/leap/)

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**

18. 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 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-k49MdOINkYnKb5p6WtVwG9hyEDAc2gjILAd_6xeP8KEzw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeg-k49MdOINkYnKb5p6WtVwG9hyEDAc2gjILAd_6xeP8KEzw/viewform)

19. NIA Butler-Williams Scholars Program

The National Institute on Aging’s Butler-Williams Scholars Program (aka Summer Institute on Aging Research) is accepting applications from emerging researchers, including those who may have had limited involvement in research on aging, for their 2017 Institute. [Applications are due by March 24, 2017.](http://skandalaris.wustl.edu/funding/leap/)

20. 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.

21. 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

22. 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.

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