Postdoctoral Symposium

The 2014 Postdoctoral Symposium took place on Friday, September 19th. Thank you to all of the presenters and participants for making this year’s symposium a success.

Travel Award

The 2014 Postdoctoral Scholars Career Development Travel Award Recipients were announced at the Symposium. Click here to learn more about the travel awards.

The winners are:
Huan Chen
Nicolas Choplain
Yan Li
Peter Morton
Nihar Pradham
Juan Carlos Rivera-Mulia
Lindsey Schier
Nicolas Thiebaud

Poster Awards

Congratulations to the three poster presenter winners:

Interdisciplinary Sciences:
Pete Morton (Earth Ocean and Atmospheric Science)
*Particulate Trace Element Cycling in a Diatom Bloom near Hawaii*

Life Sciences:
Sarah Johnson (Department of Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences)
*Beneficial Effects of Blueberry Consumption on Blood Pressure and Arterial Stiffness in Postmenopausal Women with Pre- and State 1- Hypertension*

Physical Sciences:
Shengyu Wang (MagLab)
*The Highest Static Magnetic Field X-ray Diffractometer*

FSU Staff Health Insurance

Please update your address in OMNI, https://omni.fsu.edu/, to ensure delivery of important information from the state, such as PeopleFirst documents for the upcoming open enrollment.

Upcoming Career Development Events

Postdocs’ Benefits Talk
Tuesday, October 7, 2014; 12:00 noon
College of Medicine (CoM) Room 1302
Presenters: Human Resources Representatives Kelly McLaughlin and Kathy Gartley
Attend this talk to learn about the benefits available to postdoctoral scholars who work more than 30 hours per week at FSU. Are you eligible? Didn’t sign up last year? Want to learn more about your options? Open enrollment is October 20 – November 7 this year so start planning now.
Pizza will be served.

Natural Sciences Graduate Symposium
October 10th – 11th, 2014;
Oglesby Union Ballrooms
The Natural Sciences Graduate Research Symposium brings together the diverse scientific disciplines of the Florida State University in a single place. The symposium will host presentations from graduate students and post-doctoral fellows from molecular biology to ecology, from geology to chemistry, from physics to oceanography. The conference will include 36 talks and 100 posters. If you are interested in submitting please see the abstract submission page. All abstracts are welcome regardless of department affiliation, so long as they are within the scope of the natural sciences. For oral presentations, preference is currently given to graduate student submissions. All are welcome to submit posters.
http://bio.fsu.edu/tcga/nsgs
Interviewing for Positions Outside of Academia: How to Prepare
Thursday, October 23, 2014; 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Dunlap Career Center, Room 1006
Presenter: Dr. Janet Lenz, Associate Director, FSU Career Center
Description: Interviewing is the most widely accepted method of selecting employees. The goal of an interview is to find out if you fit with the organization, if you have the skills you say you have, and if you can do the job. Based on your resume, they already have a good idea of your skills. So the main reason for the interview is to assess your personality and to fact check. This workshop will clarify your role as an interviewee and how to prepare.
Registration is required at https://fsu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_42TA9Qva2msy5Ux

Negotiating Job Offers
Thursday, November 13, 2014, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Dunlap Career Center, Room 1006
Presenter: Dr. Janet Lenz, Associate Director, FSU Career Center
Description: Did you know that you can prepare to negotiate job offers? This workshop will include discussion of the uniqueness of each negotiation, factors that may be negotiated, what is involved in making the best decision, how to negotiate from a point of power, and the final steps of the process.
Registration is required at https://fsu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_eD4CVD5KGhJfpNX

Jobs
Below is a sampling of open positions around the world

Tenure-Track Faculty Materials Science and Engineering
Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri

Assistant Professor in Applied Mathematics at University of North Carolina
https://jobs.uncc.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/position/jobDetails_css.jsp?postingId=289751
University of North Carolina, North Carolina

Research Scientist
https://sjobs.brassring.com/TGWEBHost/jobdetails.aspx?jobId=1198904&PartnerId=25428&SiteId=5645&codesEli
Lilly, Indiana

Engineering Faculty
https://chroniclevitae.com/jobs/0000848169-01
Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Massachusetts

Computational Physicist
https://lbl.taleo.net/careersection/2/jobdetail.ftl?job=79676&src=JB-10181
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, California

Assistant Professor Computational Chemistry at University of Oklahoma - Norman
https://jobs.ou.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/position/jobDetails_css.jsp?postingId=317209
University of Oklahoma - Norman, Oklahoma

Molecular Laboratory Scientist
http://newton.newtonsoftware.com/career/jobIntroduction.action?id=8acf16914867dd5801488de984894093&source
Physician's Choice Laboratory Services, South Carolina

Faculty Position in the Department of Biochemistry and Nutrition at Des Moines University
Des Moines University, Iowa

Assistant Professor of Geography and Environmental at Northern Michigan University
https://employme.nmu.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/position/jobDetails_css.jsp?postingId=141985
Northern Michigan University, Michigan

Staff Scientist
https://jobopportunities.uchicago.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/position/jobDetails_css.jsp?postingId=621678
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http://jobs.phds.org/alert.new
http://www.fiercebiotech.com/jobs/

Fellowships

Life Sciences Research Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship Program
http://www.lsrf.org/home
Deadline: October 1, 2014

Jessup and McHenry Awards
http://www.ansp.org/research/fellowships-endowments/jessup-mchenry/
Deadline: October 1, 2014

Congressional Policy Fellowship
https://www.biophysics.org/Awards/GrantsOpportunities/PolicyFellowship/tabid/5482/Default.aspx
Deadline: October 14, 2014

Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in Biology – NSF
http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=503622
Deadline: October 14, 2014

National Academy of Education/Spence Postdoctoral Fellowship Program
http://www.naeducation.org/NAED_080201.htm
Deadline: November 7, 2014

Use the following databases to identify additional opportunities (click on the links) – Pivot, Foundation Center

Career Development Webinars and Blogs

Too Few University Jobs For America’s Young Scientists
Imagine a job where about half of all the work is being done by people who are in training. That’s, in fact, what happens in the world of biological and medical research. In the United States, more than 40,000 temporary employees known as postdoctoral research fellows are doing science at a bargain price...

Freelance medical Writing: How to Use Your Scientific Background to make a 6-Figure, Work-At-Home Income
https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/593135346
Wednesday, September 24, 2014; 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm EDT
This webinar will describe some of the basics you need to know to get your freelance medical writing business up and running, and will answer some general questions, including the following:
What is the scope of medical writing? How do I get work if I have no samples or experience? How feasible/Realistic is it to make money as a freelance medical writer? How do I transition from a scientific/academic career-what kind of time frame will it take? What preparation do I need and how do I get my first clients?

Acquiring Grant Writing Skills Early in Your Career
http://biocareers.com/bio-careers-blog/acquiring-grant-writing-skills-early-your-career
There are many opportunities in industry for life scientists with grant writing skills. As a Medical Writer, you may choose to include grant proposal writing as one of the services you offer.
Free NPA Membership

FSU is a sustaining member of the National Postdoctoral Association (NPA). This membership provides free affiliate membership to all FSU postdoctoral scholars. Benefits of joining the NPA include:

- A subscription to the NPA’s official quarterly newsletter
- Reduced registration fees to the NPA Annual Meeting
- Eligibility for the NPA Travel Award Program
- Professional & Leadership Development
- Networking opportunities with colleagues nationwide

If you are interested in joining the National Postdoctoral Association, click here or please email opda-info@fsu.edu

Versatile PhD

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