

# FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF POSTDOCTORAL AFFAIRS WEEKLY DIGEST

February 12, 2020

### FSU POSTDOCTORAL SPRING EVENT – MAY 8<sup>th</sup>

#### **SAVE THE DATE!!**

The Postdoctoral Association is currently planning the **Spring Event**, which will take place on **Friday May 8th from 1-5 pm**. The event will be focused on the job application process and will include a session of **mock interviews**. In order to improve our planning we want to have a rough estimate of the number of **attendees per field and which career path are you interested in.** Also, we are looking for postdocs who could **volunteer as candidates** for mock interviews. If you are interested in this opportunity please follow this

link <a href="https://forms.gle/7juu2CohPowNyQM87">https://forms.gle/7juu2CohPowNyQM87</a> and take a survey before **Tuesday Feb. 11th**, in order to let us know what is your area of interest and if you want to volunteer.

Thank you for your time, and we hope to see you at the **next Postdoc Social Thursday Feb. 27th from 7pm**, see the FB event <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/1013082012393379/">https://www.facebook.com/events/1013082012393379/</a>

Best, Gema Hernan, Katy Sparrow, and Lorenzo Ruffani PDA President, Vice-President, and Spring Event Organizer

#### FSU POSTDOCTORAL ASSOCIATION BUDDY PROGRAM

#### Become a Buddy!

Are you interested in helping new postdocs settle in at FSU? The **Postdoctoral Association** is looking for current FSU postdocs to volunteer to become a Postdoc Buddy. Don't worry – it is not a large time commitment and can really help a new scholar adjust to their new academic community! Postdoc Buddies will be paired with an incoming postdoc to help answer a few questions before their arrival concerning life in Tallahassee and what it's like to work at FSU. Once the new postdoc arrives, you may show them where to grab a bite or where to find the best hiking trails! It is up to you and your buddy how much to be in contact – from a few emails, to skype calls, to meetings in person. It is a nice way to experience being an academic mentor. If you're interested in becoming a Postdoc Buddy to help future FSU postdocs settle in, sign up <a href="here!">here!</a> You will be notified by the President of the PDA as to your matched buddy.

# PROVOST POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (PPFP)



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salary and fringe for two years (with an option for for training-related expenses. Fellows will be selected based on their track record and potential synergy with a Research Mentor. If you are inter ested in applying, or would like more information about the program, please contact Debra Am





We are pleased to announce the second year of support for The Provost Postdoctoral Fellowship Program that provides an outstanding opportunity to seek postdoctoral trainees from diverse backgrounds and individuals with a mission to increase diversity and inclusion of our postdoctoral trainees. Our long-term goal is to enhance the diversity of scholars entering faculty positions by providing a competitive and supportive postdoctoral experience as a bridge to the next career level in academia. Please read more about the PPFP program, eligibility, or to submit your application, please see this link https://opda.fsu.edu/fellowships-andawards/postdoctoral-fellowships-and-stipendsupport/provost-postdoctoral-fellowship.

If you would like to update your information posted from the 2018-2020 season, you can follow the same qualtrics survey to add any new training opportunities to your current profile.

Here is the link to the current faculty profiles for your reference - https://opda.fsu.edu/ppfpparticipating-faculty-unit-listing

Individuals interested in applying to be a PPFP Scholar can submit their application materials now. Review of applications will begin at the end of December and continue as a rolling admission process until all positions are filled for the 2020-2022 training period. Applicants will be notified of the status of their admission packet approximately 6 weeks following submission of their materials. Accepted PPFP Scholars can commence their training as early as May 1, 2020 but must start before December 31, 2020.

# BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE/NEUROSCIENCE POSTDOCTORAL MENTORING WORKSHOP & LUNCH

KIN Life Science Building, room 2057, 12:00 – 1:00 PM, Typically the Second Monday

The theme for fall 2019/spring 2020 is 'Industry, Government and Non-profit jobs for Biologists'

Our 2019-2020 Bio/Neuro Postdoc Workshop and Lunch series starts next week and the theme for this year is 'Industry, Government and Non-profit jobs for Biologists'.

Please mark your calendars for the fall 2019/Spring 2020 postdoc workshops. This is a special, faculty-led monthly workshop for Postdoctoral Scholars hosted by the Department of Biological Science and the Program in Neuroscience. Although the career focus will be directed to the Life Sciences, all Postdoctoral Scholars and senior Graduate Students are welcome.

Sandwiches will be served over the lunch hour during the workshops. Dates, presenters and topics are listed below. For questions, please contact Dr. <u>Kay Jones</u>. No registration required.

Date	Presenter	Title
Mon. March 23		Oral Presentation Day – 10 am – 4 pm
Mon. April 13	TBA	TBA

For the February 10 workshop Dr. Jones has provided some questions she has asked the participants to discuss:

Was there a technological or commercial gap that you sought to fill with your technology and/or your business?

- -What are the advantages of locating your business in Tallahassee?
- -What is your opinion of the future of biotech in Tallahassee?
- -Would you like more contact with researchers at FSU? Are there ways that the Postdoc Association could facilitate that?
- -When you decide to hire for different levels of position, what are some of the most important skills and qualities you want in a candidate?
- -What do you wish you had known as a postdoc or graduate student about the biotech industry or job market?

#### THE 2020 L'ORÉAL USA FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE FELLOWSHIP IS NOW OPEN



You could be awarded \$60,000 for research in a STEM field. The L'ORÉAL USA for women in science fellowship program honors female scientists at a critical stage in their careers. Since 2003, we've awarded 80 postdoctoral women scientists over \$4 million in grants. We're seeking five exceptional female scientists looking to advance their research and serve as role models for the next generation of girls in STEM. Application are due January 31, 2020.

For more information, and to apply, please click <u>here</u>.

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS – ACHIEVEMENTS – RESEARCH

Postdocs, would you like help to disseminate your research, service, and mentoring achievements to a broader audience via the <u>@FSU Postdocs</u> Twitter account? If you have exciting new findings, just been published, received a grant or award, got hired for a new position, or have other accomplishments you would like to share for yourself or your mentees, please share them with us. Just send the content to be tweeted to Biological Science postdoc Matt Holding at <u>mlholding@fsu.edu</u> and it will be shared on <u>@FSU Postdocs</u>.





Use the following guidelines to prepare your content:

Send links to papers or websites, photos of the activity, or other material that isn't just text. Tweets get more traction if they contain content other than text alone.

Provide less than 280 characters of text for the tweet describing the activity. Include Twitter handles for your colleagues/collaborators where appropriate, if you know them, and any #hashtags to which the tweet can link. We can also retweet content you put out on our own Twitter account if you drop us a line with your Twitter handle and the specific tweet we should retweet.

#### CAPITAL REGIONAL SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR

Please consider serving as a judge for the Capital Regional Science and Engineering Fair on Friday, February 14, 2020. Winners of high school or middle school science fairs in Jefferson, Leon or Wakulla counties will compete at the Donald L. Tucker Civic Center located at 505 W. Pensacola Street, Tallahassee, Florida. We need about 200 judges to evaluate student projects, so your help will be very important for a successful fair. The fewer judges we have, the more projects everyone will be asked to judge. Regular Judging will take place from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Friday, February 14, 2020 followed by Overall Judging from 12:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Students who win the Capital Regional Science and Engineering Fair can proceed to state competition. Some students may even continue further to international competitions.

If you are willing to judge, please complete the online judge registration form at <a href="http://www.crsef.org/judge\_registration\_form.php">http://www.crsef.org/judge\_registration\_form.php</a> by Friday, January 31, 2020. Each project will compete in a specific category so we need you to select all categories you are qualified to judge on the registration form. The categories and their descriptions can be found on the judge registration web site above. Once you have successfully submitted your online form, you will receive a copy via email. If you have any problems, please contact me at (850) 644-9828 or email me at <a href="https://btw.btw.net/bio.fsu.edu">btw.net/bio.fsu.edu</a>.

#### CANCER CONTROL RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM

The University of Rochester Medical Center Cancer Control & Psychoneuroimmunology Laboratory is actively seeking outstanding candidates for their upcoming group of Fellows for 2019.

The applicants should be interested in longitudinal studies and clinical trials on translational (e.g. biomarker) symptom science research and/or cancer-related cognitive impairment research to work closely with Dr. Michelle Janelsins (Associate Professor) and her research team. Candidates they are interested in come from a variety of backgrounds including, but not limited to, neuroscience, cognitive science, clinical psychology, epidemiology, clinical trials, applied sciences, and many more.

For more information, and to apply, please click here.

Materials can be sent directly to Dr. Michelle Janelsins or Dr. Gary Morrow (Program Director)

# **FELLOWSHIPS**

Marion Milligan Mason Award for Women in the Chemical Sciences

Application deadline: March 1, 2020

California Science and Technology Policy Fellowships

Application deadline: March 1, 2020

Helen Hay Whitney Foundation – Biomedical Research

Application deadline: July 1, 2020

Mathematical Sciences Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (MSPRF)

Deadline: October 21, 2020

Postdoc Research Funding Opportunities in Germany

Application deadlines vary

Index of Postdoc Fellowships in the Life Sciences (Broad Institute)

**EPA Research Grants** 

EMBO Life Sciences – Short/Long Term Fellowships

#### **Intelligence Community Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program**

The Intelligence Community (IC) Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program offers scientists and engineers from a wide variety of disciplines unique opportunities to conduct research in a wide range of topics relevant to the Intelligence Community. The research is conducted by the Postdocs, while working in partnership with a Research Advisor and collaborating with an advisor from the Intelligence Community.

In partnership with the Research Advisor, the Postdoc composes and submits a technical proposal that responds to a current research opportunity.

U.S. citizens and recent Ph.D. graduates or doctoral students who will soon complete their degrees are invited to apply.

For more information, please visit: <a href="https://orise.orau.gov/icpostdoc/current-opportunities.html">https://orise.orau.gov/icpostdoc/current-opportunities.html</a> Application deadline is February 28, 2020.

# **JOBS**

Below is a sampling of open positions in the United States –

#### Postdoctoral Positions Available -

FSU Program in Neuroscience Postdoctoral Research Position. A postdoctoral research position is open and available in the lab of Dr. Alan Spector, Department of Psychology and Neuroscience. For more information, or if interested in applying, please click <a href="here">here</a> for complete information, or contact Dr. Alan Spector at: <a href="mailto:spector@psy.fsu.edu">spector@psy.fsu.edu</a>.

Looking for motivated Postdocs to research mechanisms involved in regulated remodeling of muscle T-tubule membranes in fly models of human myopathy with funding for immediate start date!

For more information, please click <u>here</u> to view flyer. Please contact Dr. Amy Kiger, Section of Cell & Development Biology University of California San Diego at <u>akiger@ucsd.edu</u>.

#### POSTDOCTORAL AND RESEARCH SCIENTIST POSITIONS

The Kaczorowski Lab at The Jackson Laboratory is seeking Postdoctoral and Research Scientist Level personnel to investigate mechanisms underlying susceptibility and resilience to normal aging and Alzheimer's disease (<a href="https://www.neuro-central.com/2018/09/19/risk-resilience-understanding-role-genetics-alzheimers-disease/">https://www.neuro-central.com/2018/09/19/risk-resilience-understanding-role-genetics-alzheimers-disease/</a>). Dr. Kaczorowski is an Associate Professor and the Evnin Family Endowed Chair in Alzheimer's Research at the Jackson Laboratory – a research institution specializing in genetics and genomics in order to discover solutions for disease. Projects leverage new translational mouse models, electrophysiology, circuit mapping and genome engineering to decipher how genetic and environmental factors interact to influence learning and memory abilities, cognitive aging, neurodegeneration, and Alzheimer's. Sources of support include NIH, Bright Focus, and The Glenn Foundation for Medical Research, as well as generous philanthropy awards in support of research and innovation in areas of normal aging and Alzheimer's disease.

Exceptional candidates will have the opportunity to apply for the prestigious JAX Scholar award, which supports promising early-career postdoctoral associates conducting cutting edge biomedical and basic biological research at JAX. The award includes an independent research and travel budget and a salary above our standard postdoctoral scale <a href="https://www.jax.org/education-and-learning/pre-and-postdoctoral-program/jax-scholars">https://www.jax.org/education-and-learning/pre-and-postdoctoral-program/jax-scholars</a>.

To apply, please submit (1) a cover letter describing past research accomplishments, research interests, and career goals, (2) a current CV, and (3) the contact information of three references to <a href="mailto:catherine.kaczorowski@jax.org">catherine.kaczorowski@jax.org</a>

Florida College System seeks to fill a position for Executive Director, Florida Student Success Center.

The Florida Student Success Center (FSSC) serves as an intermediary between colleges, and provides greater opportunities for colleges to collaborate and learn from one another. The Executive Director works under the supervision of the Chancellor of the Florida College System. For more information on the role of the position, qualifications and to apply please, click <a href="here">here</a>.

# Florida Conservation Corps - Opportunities

FLCC is recruiting for two exciting project areas.

The mission of the Florida Conservation Corps is to develop natural and cultural resource leaders by connecting them to areas of critical need in conservation, preservation, interpretation and resource based recreation. Click <a href="here">here</a> to download flyer. For more information about FLCC, please visit their webpage at <a href="https://www.floridastateparks.org/florida-conservation-corps">https://www.floridastateparks.org/florida-conservation-corps</a>.

#### Ph.D. level Protein Scientist needed

QuarryBio (<a href="https://quarrybio.com/">https://quarrybio.com/</a>) is an early stage company that is developing a novel, mass spec based approach for *in vitro* measurement of membrane protein binding interactions and structure changes.

Our technology will provide a high-throughput alternative to X-ray crystallography and cryo-EM, and can be performed directly on living cells. We are relocating our lab to Tallahassee, and are seeking a Ph.D. level protein scientist to help us finish the development of this new technology and launch commercially.

<u>Essential Skills:</u> Chemical modification of proteins, strong understanding of binding kinetics, sample preparation and LC/MS/MS analysis of proteins (buffer exchange, affinity purification, reduction/alkylation, and proteolysis).

Analysis of bottom-up mass spec data analysis with proteomic search engines. Experience with a variety of basic techniques to assess protein integrity, oligomeric/aggregation state and binding interactions. Mammalian cell culture techniques with an emphasis on plasmid construction, transfection, protein expression/purification, and extraction of proteins from cellular membranes. Adherent and suspension cell culture methods. Ability to work in a fast-paced team-oriented environment.

Helpful skills: SDS-PAGE, SPR, DLS, CD, IF, DSC/DSF, and SEC HPLC analysis. Project management and familiarity with programming languages such as python, R, or java. Protein structure visualization with PyMol or equivalent.

#### Ph.D. level Scientist needed

We are seeking someone with experience in Mammalian cell culture techniques with an emphasis on plasmid construction, transfection, protein expression/purification, and extraction of proteins from cellular membranes, SDS-PAGE, Western blots. Adherent and suspension cell culture methods. Ability to work in a fast-paced team-oriented environment is a must.

Project management a plus. Please direct inquiries for either job to eric.graban@quarrybio.com.

## Oak Ridge National Laboratory Opportunities

Faculty Opportunities – Summer Research, Sabbatical Research Experiences https://orise.orau.gov/ornl/faculty/default.html

Postdoctoral Opportunities - https://jobs.ornl.gov/

#### **National Development Council (NDC)**

NDC seeks to hire part-time, graduate school level interns to assist NDC field staff in planning, implementing, and evaluating Multicultural Lending activities in the south Florida tri-county area - Broward, Dade and Palm Beach counties. We seek candidates who embrace our mission and have passion for community development work.

For more information, please visit: <a href="https://ndconline.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/NDC-">https://ndconline.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/NDC-</a> Fellow-Job-Description-Florida.pdf

Assistant Professor – Department of Health Outcomes and Biomedical Informatics University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Assistant Res Scientist – Dept. of Nuclear Engineering & Radiological Sciences (Job ID: 184139) University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Assistant Professor – Orchestral Conducting Sewanee University, Sewanee, TN

Research Scientist – Public Health Research (#495565) NORC at the University of Chicago, Bethesda, MD

Assistant Professor – College of Fine Arts Jacksonville University, Jacksonville, FL

Research Scientist I (Requisition ID: 26620) Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

Assistant Professor of Geography- Department of Geology & Geography Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA

Assistant Professor of Research – Center for Craniofacial Molecular Biology University of Southern California (USC), Biomedical Sciences

Assistant Professor – Clinical Occupational Therapy University of Southern California, Occupational Therapy

Assistant Professor – Research Emergency Medicine

University of Southern California, Department of Emergency Medicine

#### Clinical Assistant Professor – Pediatrics

University of Southern California, Department of Pediatrics

Below is a sampling of open positions around the world -

Canada: <u>Assistant Clinical Professor – in Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Science</u>

University of Alberta, Faculty of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences

<u>Tenure Track Assistant Professor – Biomedical or Electrical Engineering</u>

University of Guelph, School of Engineering/Biomedical Engineering

Assistant Professor – REHAB Occupational Therapy

University of Alberta, Department of Occupational Therapy

Assistant Professor – Microbial Science & Micro/Nanomaterials

University of Calgary Canada First Research Excellence Fund

<u>Assistant Professor – Department of Medicine</u>

University of Alberta, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry

Assistant Professor – Division of Developmental Pediatrics

University of Alberta, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry

Staff Scientist in Hematology Research

Keenan Research Centre for Biomedical Research of St. Michael's Hospital

**Japan:** Assistant Professor in the Graduate School of Biomedical & Health Sciences

Hiroshima University, Graduate School of Biomedical & Health Sciences

Assistant Professor in Medical Education, Pharmacology, Neuroscience

Hiroshima University, Graduate School of Biomedical & Health Sciences

**Norway:** Head Engineer at Electron Microscopy Core Facility

University of Oslo, Department of Biosciences (IBV)

**Singapore:** Assistant Professor for Bio-Behaviorist

Duke NUS Medical School, Academic Medicine Research Institute

Assistant Professor – Center for Aging Research & Education

Duke NUS Medical School, Center for Aging Research & Education

South Africa: Associate Researcher in Clinical Micro Infectious Diseases (CMID)

Wits University, School of Pathology, Johannesburg, ZA

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# CAREER DEVELOPMENT WEBINARS AND BLOGS

## Teaching while introverted

In this article, the author mentions the college classroom, it turns out, can be the ideal playground for those of us who identify as introverts.

# Before applying for your dream science job, Google thyself

Read an article where the author shares tips for sanitizing your online presence

**Webinar** | uncovering novel protein biomarkers in drug discovery and development: Targeting disease diagnosis and drug response monitoring

Wednesday, February 19, 2020, 12 noon Eastern

**Webinar** | deciphering immune-oncology: targeting cellular mechanisms of the tumor immune response Wednesday, February 26, 2020, 12 noon Eastern

How to Be Proactive in Your Mentoring Relationships – National Postdoctoral Association <a href="http://www.nationalpostdoc.org/?page=Proactive">http://www.nationalpostdoc.org/?page=Proactive</a>

ASBMB - Postdoctoral Education & Resources

#### **Versatile PhD**

This site helps graduate students and new PhD's identify, prepare for, and excel in possible non-academic careers.

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- ✓ Professional & Leadership Development
- ✓ Networking opportunities with colleagues nationwide

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