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- **S.T.E.M. Educational Outreach Opportunities – Workshop and Info Session**

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S.T.E.M.) educational outreach entails working with traditionally under-served children and young adults to increase their knowledge in S.T.E.M. areas and awareness of S.T.E.M. careers. Participation in outreach programs can be an immensely rewarding experience with great benefits for all involved. For postdocs, educational outreach builds teaching and mentoring skills and demonstrates one's interest in education and in broadening participation in S.T.E.M fields.

This 90 minute workshop and info session will be co-led by Kelley Remole, the Director of Neuroscience Outreach at the Zuckerman Institute of Columbia University, Emily Ford, the Director of Outreach at Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Columbia University, and Rory Flinn the Director of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs. The session will cover what S.T.E.M. outreach entails, why it is so critical, ways for postdocs to get involved, and the benefits of participating in outreach programs. Additionally there will be a discussion about teaching careers and ways that participation in outreach programs can help one bolster their teaching and mentoring interests and experiences.

Date: Wednesday, February 4th

Time: 12:00-1:30 PM

Location: Medical Campus, Russ Berrie Building (168th St and Saint Nicholas Ave), Room 1 (entrance floor across from Security Guard Desk)

Registration: <https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=76304>

- **Panel on Careers in Consulting**

A panel focused on careers in consulting will take place in the early evening of January 30th at Columbia University. This career panel session is part of a monthly career panel series for doctoral level graduate students and postdocs at Columbia University. The goal of the career panel series is to expose trainees to a broad range

of career options available to them and provide a forum for trainees to learn about the experiences of individuals who have transitioned into these careers following their graduate or postdoctoral training. The panelists will respond to moderated questions in the first half of the event, after which questions from audience members will be addressed.

The panelists include:

Katherine Lelli, PhD
Consultant at Insight Strategy Advisors

James Lee, PhD
Associate Consultant at Defined Health

Mi Wang, PhD
Consultant at The Boston Consultant Group

Matthew Shindell, PhD
Consultant at Campbell Alliance

Marko Stankic, PhD
Senior Consultant at Deloitte

Date: Friday, January 30th, 2015
Time: 5:30-7:00 pm with networking reception from 7:00-8:00 PM with light refreshments.
Where: Morningside Campus, [Davis Auditorium](#) in the CEPSSR Building
RSVP: <https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=76231>

- **Winter Career Counseling Sessions**

Did you know that the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs offers one-on-one career counseling to postdocs? These individualized sessions are intended for you to discuss career-related topics such as career exploration strategies and how to initiate a job search inside or outside of Academia. Alternatively, one could utilize this session to receive feedback on their CV, resume, and/or cover letter, or participate in a mock interview.

Winter Career Counseling Hours: Tuesdays, 11am-2pm and Wednesdays, 2:30pm-4:30pm. Please see <http://postdocs.columbia.edu/careerdevelopment.html> for instructions on how to sign up for a career counseling session. January sessions are still available.

For February career counseling sessions, postdocs attending the January 29th 'Faculty Applications Part II: The Academic Interview' workshop will be given the first opportunity to sign up for a February career counseling session. On January 30th, remaining February counseling appointments will be open for sign up by postdocs who have not yet scheduled a winter counseling appointment. Starting on February 2nd, postdocs who have already had a winter counseling session, but would like to schedule an additional appointment may submit an appointment request.

- **Faculty Applications Part II: the Academic Interview – *Event fully booked, though waitlist is available***

In large part, the recipe for a successful academic interview is a combination of preparation, practice, and confidence. In this workshop, attendees will learn about: 1) the different and distinct elements that make up an

academic interview; 2) tips to help you prepare for your academic interview; 3) effective responses to questions that are commonly asked at academic interviews; 4) and appropriate behavior, dress, and follow-up etiquette that will help you present yourself as future faculty. Attendees will have opportunity to practice responses to key questions and to ask questions about areas of concern.

Date: January 29th

Time: 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Location: Morningside Campus, exact location TBD

Registration required: <https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=76285>

Limited to: 25

- **Postdoc Seminar Series – Call for Speakers for Next Session on Tuesday, February 17th**

This is a call for speakers for our next Postdoc Seminar Series session taking place on Tuesday, February 17th. Campus location of the session will depend on campus location of speakers. Postdocs interested in being a speaker at the February 17th Postdoc Seminar Series session should email rf2531@cumc.columbia.edu.

The Postdoc Seminar Series is a monthly seminar series given by Columbia University postdocs featuring:

A “TED” style talk - A 10-15 minute presentation designed for a broad audience. Lose the jargon and data rich slides and tell us the story of your research to convey its significance. This format is ideal for those on or soon to be on the job market.

A traditional research seminar – A 20-30 minute standard research seminar presentation. Set up the context of your research and then show us your experimental approach, data, and conclusions. We'll give you feedback and perhaps a perspective you had not thought of before.

To occur at noon on the 3rd Tuesday of each month - free lunch provided. All postdocs are encouraged to attend and learn about the research projects being undertaken by their Columbia postdoc peers.

- **Office of Postdoctoral Affairs LinkedIN Group – Job ads and Career articles**

Do you have a LinkedIN account? If not, you should – networking is invaluable for landing the position you will seek following your training. If you do have a LinkedIN account, you should strongly consider joining the Columbia University Postdocs and Postdoc Alumni Group on LinkedIN. You can join the private group by searching for 'Columbia University Postdocs and Postdoc Alumni' under groups and submitting a request to join. The group has grown to 630 members, and beyond current Columbia Postdocs, there are also numerous Columbia Postdoc Alumni members that are employed across many different career sectors belonging to the group. The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs frequently receives position openings and job ads from employers both within and outside of Academia and we post these job ads exclusively on the LinkedIN group page. We also post relevant and timely career articles and pieces about the job market, professional and career development topics, and advice columns. Join the group today to start taking advantage of this great resource!

- **Office of Postdoctoral Affairs Website**

Did you know that the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) maintains a website (<http://postdocs.columbia.edu/>) containing a wealth of information for postdocs? What types of information can be found on the OPA webpage? The Postdoc handbook with policies and procedures around being a postdoc at Columbia, the OPA monthly events calendar, funding opportunities, as well as career resources with listings of groups to join, webpages to browse, and job search sites to utilize. This is by no means an exhaustive list, so be sure to take a spin through the OPA webpage to see what information is most relevant and helpful to you. If you feel there are pieces of information that should be added to the OPA webpage that are not currently there, please let us know, as we are always looking to provide the most relevant and useful information to Columbia Postdocs.

Social/Networking Events:

- **Postdoc Weekly Coffee/Tea Hour – CUMC**

These coffee/tea hours are a great way for you to meet other postdocs and hear about upcoming events. The coffee/tea hour is informal and you can stop by for as long as you would like.

CUMC

Date: Thursday, January 26th
Time: 3:00PM – 4:00PM
Location: Hammer Building, room 316