

Career Development Events:

Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

- **Leadership and Project Management Workshops:**

R. Kevin Grigsby, MSW, DSW, the Senior Director of Member Organizational Development at the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) will be coming to Columbia University on June 5th and June 6th to lead two workshops for postdocs on project management and team leadership. Details about each workshop can be found below. Please take a moment to register for these key events. Kevin Grigsby has led workshops in previous years at Columbia University and received tremendous feedback from postdocs that attended. These events will likely reach capacity so don't delay in registering.

Project Management Fundamentals

Project management and *project leadership* are often equated. However, there are major differences in the two. While leading a project requires setting a direction, aligning people, and motivating people, managing a project is a complex process of reaching goals by working with and through people and other organizational resources. Management is a process or series of continuing and related activities concentrated on reaching project goals by working with and through people. The use of organizational resources including time, materials, and personnel requires a number of skills.

Participants in this workshop will:

- Understand the difference between leadership and management and why it is pertinent to project management
- Understand how self-awareness, the ability to collaborate, creating positive connections relate to the use of influence in project management
- Learn basic tools for managing time and personnel and keeping to a schedule even in the face of unanticipated obstacles

Date: Thursday, June 5th, 2014

Time: 5:00pm—7:00pm (snacks and refreshments provided)

Location: Russ Berrie Medical Science Pavilion, room 1 (1150 St. Nicholas Ave.)

Registration required: <https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=72074>

Are You Really a Team Leader?

Team leadership requires setting a direction, aligning people, and motivating people. There are clear differences in how leadership is *enacted* with teams as opposed to the way it is enacted in more hierarchical organizational structures.

Participants in this workshop will:

- Understand aspects of leadership that enhance effectiveness of leading teams
- Explain how effective team leadership is enacted differently than “top down” leadership

- Discuss pitfalls to be avoided in team leadership
- Understand how to bring out the “inner genius” of team members

Date: Friday, June 6th, 2014
Time: 1:00pm—3:00pm (lunch provided)
Location: Hammer Health Sciences Center, room 312

Registration required: <https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=72073>

- **Morningside Campus Postdoc Council Member Recruitment:**

Are you interested in representing your fellow postdocs and gaining leadership experience? If so, you might be interested in joining the Postdoctoral council we have recently formed for the Morningside campus (Medical Campus Postdoc council is currently full). The postdoctoral council will meet once a month (usually over free lunch) with the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs to discuss, plan, and help carry out social and career development events. Postdoctoral council members also represent their postdoc communities and can relay any suggestions/feedback to the councils and the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs. As a token of appreciation for serving on the postdoctoral council, Postdoctoral council members receive an annual membership to the New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS). If you are interested in serving on the Morningside Campus Postdoctoral Councils, please send me an email at rf2531@columbia.edu.

Sumer Institute for Teaching and Learning from Columbia Center for New Media Technology and Learning (CNMTL):

The 7th Annual Summer Institute for Teaching and Learning, a day-long workshop devoted to exploring effective teaching and learning strategies in health sciences education will be held for CUMC faculty and a very limited number of CUMC postdocs. This event is designed for junior faculty or senior faculty who have recently taken on a new teaching role. I will nominate up to 3 postdocs to apply for this opportunity. Postdocs that are interested should write a short (500 word or less) essay arguing why this event would be invaluable for them to attend and why they would be the best candidate to nominate among their peers. Please email the essay to me, Rory Flinn at rf2531@columbia.edu by Monday June 16th. I will choose up to 3 postdocs who will then put in applications to register by June 20th. Please note that the 3 Postdocs nominated by me to apply for the event are not guaranteed a slot to attend the event (that decision will be made by the event organizers).

This year's Summer Institute will be held on **Tuesday, July 22, 2014 from 8:00am to 5:00pm** at Butler Library on the Columbia Morningside Campus. Topics covered during the Institute will include:

- Effective Course Design
- Engaging Students in Their Own Learning with the Flipped Model
- Bringing Fieldwork and Clinic to the Classroom
- Teaching and Learning Resources for CUMC Faculty

View the [Summer Institute agenda](#) for a complete list of the day's activities. For more information about the Summer Institute, please email cumc-sitl@columbia.edu.

NYC Tech Connect Riverside Chats:

Gregory A. Bonfiglio
Founder & Managing Partner, Proteus

"Regenerative Medicine and Next Generation Blood Products."

Tuesday, June 3, 2014

6:00 PM

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
Rockefeller Board Room
430 E. 67th Street

RSVP:

<http://nyctechconnect.com/riverside-chats.html>

1st Pitch Life Science:

Are you someone who dreams of being a successful life science entrepreneur? Or someone who just wants to learn how investors evaluate promising life science discoveries? Well, here's your chance to hear investors react to presentations by life science start-ups in real time. At 1st Pitch Life Science meetings, three companies each face a panel of experienced investors and make a pitch (not for money, just for practice).

1st Pitch Life Science(www.1stpitchlifescience.com) is organized by Mid Atlantic Bio Angels (www.bioangels.net), a life science investor group. Our goal is to help aspiring life science entrepreneurs. The event encourages them to practice pitching their companies and provides constructive criticism from experienced and knowledgeable professionals. Visit our website to learn more.

To register: <https://1stpitchjune2014.eventbrite.com>

When: Tuesday, June 10, 2014
5:30pm – 8:00pm

Where: Anchin, Block & Anchin LLP
1375 Broadway, 23rd Floor
(btwn 37th & 38th Streets)
New York, NY 10018

New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS)

- **The Academy's Afterschool STEM Mentoring Program:**

The Afterschool STEM Mentoring program is looking for graduate and postdoctoral students from New York City-area and Newark, NJ- area universities to volunteer to teach one afternoon a week in underserved 4th through 8th grade afterschool classrooms at organizations like the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Clubs. Mentors can choose to teach a life sciences curriculum or computing/physical sciences curriculum and can receive an Academy Fellow Teaching Credential for completing a semester of teaching and training. Applications now being accepted until **July 1st** for Fall 2014.

For more information, visit: www.nyas.org/AfterschoolProgram

- **Scientists Teaching Scientists (Online Summer Course)**
 - **June 4th – August 25th 2014**

Are you interested in teaching, but your students doze off during your lectures? Do they have a hard time answering the questions you ask? Do you find yourself wondering if there's a different way of teaching science than just talking to them and showing them slides and illustrations? How can you tell if your students really understand the information or have memorized vocabulary terms? Take the online course "Scientists Teaching Science" and learn about active vs. passive learning, creating course objectives and test items, and finding ways to improve your teaching and assessment techniques for students of all ages.

Come practice with your peers under the instruction of a national award-winning science educator and author. There are no mandatory class meetings, and you can access the course on your phone. **One-on-one engagement, personal review of written assignments, and personalized advice on teaching is guaranteed!** The time needed to complete all readings and activities is estimated to be no more than 3 hours a week. All participants who complete the course requirements will be eligible for a personal letter of recommendation from the instructor about teaching preparation for future employment. Participants who complete the course requirements will also receive a certificate of completion from the New York Academy of Sciences.

Additional course information, Registration and information on Fees:

<http://www.nyas.org/Events/Detail.aspx?cid=c92ca61b-76aa-475a-a1a5-bbdc144a7c28>

Social Events:

Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

- **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: Wednesday, June 2nd
Time: 10:00-11:00 AM
Location: Hammer Building, room 404.

- **New Postdoc Orientation (with open bar Happy Hour to Follow)**

In an effort to acclimate new postdocs to Columbia University, we would like to offer a first look at the resources available at the university. Discussion includes a brief rundown of benefits and the services available to Postdocs University wide and through the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs. Postdoc orientation is held once a month (except in the month of December) and rotates between the Morningside Campus and the Medical Center campus. Our June orientation will be held at the Morningside Campus. If you know a new postdoc here, please share this information with them, as they might not yet be on the postdoc mailing list.

Morningside

Date: Thursday, June 12th
Time: 4:00pm – 5:00pm (join us afterwards for happy hour to meet current CU postdocs)
Location: Hamilton hall, room 302
Please RSVP to: cupostdocs@gmail.com

• Postdoc Open Bar Happy Hour – End of semester bash!

It's that time again! Summer is upon us, the Spring semester is over, and it time you celebrated. Enjoy some appetizers, a few pints of beer, glasses of wine, or well drinks... on OPA! Open bar with free appetizers for 2 hours. Stick around past 7:30 PM for a comedy improve show (free admission).

Near Morningside:

Date: Thursday, June 12th
Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm (stay longer for a free comedy improve show)
Location: West End Lounge ([he West End, 955 West End Avenue, at West 107th & Bway, NYC](#))

• Postdoc Families Picnic!

Join us for a family summer BBQ that is sure to entertain your kids! Meet other postdocs with kids. A clown and magician from Professional Kids Entertainment will be back for singing, dancing, games, face painting, balloon animals, and a magic show! They will be bringing their bubble machines too! Snacks, and refreshments will be served.

Date: Saturday, June 14th, 2014

Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Place: Math Lawn North, Morningside Camus (Located in front of the Mathematics Building closest to the Havemeyer Building http://www.columbia.edu/about_columbia/map/mathematics.html)

Please RSVP to: <https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=72247>

NewYorkPostdocs.com

- Join the second "NewYorkPostdocs.com Meet & Greet" event and mingle with other postdocs. You will be able to meet with NewYorkPostdocs.com representatives and share with them your story. Happy hour deals will be available at this gorgeous midtown bar. The first meet and greet event in February of this year had over 100 postdocs in attendance with postdocs from every NYC University/Institute.

Time: Thu, June 19, 7.30-10pm

Location: Galway Pub, 7 East 36th Street | New York, NY 10016 (<http://galwaypubnyc.com/>)

Register for free for the event here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GTTYFVF>

Research Seminars:

Columbia University Seminars:

(Seminar list generated by the Office of Graduate Affairs, see bottom of list for info on subscribing)
(Postdocs welcome)

Office of Graduate Affairs Basic Sciences Weekly Calendar

Tuesday, June 3

Noon -- **Institute for Cancer Genetics Seminar.** Dr. David S. Pellman, Professor of Pediatric Oncology, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute; Professor of Cell Biology, Harvard Medical School; Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, "*Oncogenic Signaling and the Cytoskeleton.*" ICRC Bldg., 1st Floor Auditorium.

Noon -- **Pharmacology Seminar.** Dr. Lale Ozcan, Associate Research Scientist, Department of Medicine, "*Activation of Calcium/Calmodulin-Dependent Protein Kinase II Impairs Glucose Metabolism in Obesity.*" BB 7-724.

3:00 PM -- **CTNI Scientific Symposium.** Dr. Sander Markx, Postdoctoral Clinical Fellow, Department of Psychiatry, "*The CNTNAP2 Model of Schizophrenia and Autism? Defining and Reversing Mental Illness in Mouse and Man;*" Dr. Mark Ansorge, Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychiatry, "*Monoamine-sensitive Developmental Periods Impacting Adult Emotional and Cognitive Behaviors;*" Dr. Christoph B. Kellendonk, Assistant Professor of Pharmacology, "*Dopamine D2 Receptors Regulate the Anatomical and Functional Balance of Basal Ganglia Circuits.*" ICRC Bldg., 1st Floor Auditorium.

Wednesday, June 4

Noon -- **Heidelberger-Kabat Lecture.** Dr. Diane Mathis, Professor of Microbiology and Immunobiology; Chair of Immunohematology, Harvard Medical School, "*Aire, A Transcriptional Regulator that Controls Immunological Tolerance.*" 401 HHSC.

Noon -- **The Eighteenth Stephen M. Schuetze Memorial Lecture.** Dr. Ed Boyden, Departments of Biological Engineering and Brain and Cognitive Sciences; Co-Director, MIT Center for Neurobiological Engineering, "*Tools for Mapping Brain Computations.*" 5th Floor Auditorium, Northwest Corner Building.

Thursday, June 5

9:00 AM -- **Naomi Berrie Diabetes Conference.** Dr. Fabrizio Barbetti, Associate Professor of Clinical Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Department of Internal Medicine, University of Tor Vergata, Rome, "*Monogenic Diabetes in Italy: An Update.*" Russ Berrie Pavilion, 1st Floor Classroom # 2.

Noon -- **Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar**. Dr. Martyn D. Goulding, Professor, Molecular Neurobiology Laboratory, The Salk Institute, "*Deconstructing the Sensorimotor Circuitry of the Spinal Cord*." NI Alumni Auditorium.

Monday, June 9

11:00 AM -- **Electrical Engineering Seminar**. Dr. Michael C. McAlpine, Assistant Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Princeton University, "*Bionic Nanomaterials*." 750 CEPSR.

Noon -- **Pathology and Cell Biology Seminar**. Dr. Andrea Graziani, Professor of Molecular Biology, Department of Translational Medicine, L'Università degli Studi del Piemonte Orientale 'Amedeo Avogadro,' "*Reciprocal Regulation of Diacylglycerol and Phosphatidic Signaling by Diacylglycerol Kinases: Implications for Cell Fate Decisions in T Lymphocytes and Cancer Cells*." Humphreys Auditorium, VC 14-240.

Alternate ways to view the calendar:

View the up-to-date Basic Sciences Weekly Calendar within Google Calendar:

1. At the bottom of your calendar list on the left, click the Add down-arrow button and select Add by URL.
2. Enter the Basic Sciences Weekly Calendar address in iCalendar format address in the field provided:
<http://www.google.com/calendar/ical/gsas.cumc%40gmail.com/public/basic.ics>
3. Click Add.

Or to view the up-to-date Basic Sciences Weekly Calendar in a browser without signing in to Google Calendar:

http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=gsas.cumc%40gmail.com&ctz=America/New_York

Or view our on-line Calendar in its original format at:

http://sklad.cumc.columbia.edu/gsas/interior.php?sub=5_1