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Career Development Events:

Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

- Minority Postdoc Coalition Meeting

The Minority Postdoc Coalition (MPC) brings together underrepresented racial and ethnic (Black, Latino, & Native America) postdoctoral scientists, scholars, and fellows across disciplines to build valuable professional networks, and to promote and support diversity and inclusiveness here at Columbia University. This coalition aims to provide information about opportunities such as conferences, workshops, seminars, grants/fellowships, travel awards, and volunteer opportunities uniquely related to issues of diversity. In addition, this group seeks to provide a social and support network for underrepresented members of Columbia's postdoctoral community.

Date: Wednesday, June 18th, 2014
Time: 1-2pm
Location: Hammer Building, room 306
Registration: https://calendar.columbia.edu/sundial/webapi/register.php?eventID=72344

- ELabNYC Info Session and Panel

This session will provide information about ELabNYC’s prestigious 6-month training and mentorship program for aspiring entrepreneurs in New York City’s life sciences and healthcare technology community. ELabNYC provides extensive support to graduate students of science, post-docs, early-career researchers and engineers interested in forming new biotech and health tech ventures.
Launched by the Bloomberg Administration and New York City Economic Development Corporation, and led by a team of experienced entrepreneurs, the Lab is designed to:

- Develop a more vibrant ecosystem for entrepreneurship and venture creation in the City’s academic life sciences and healthcare communities
- Teach entrepreneurial business concepts to aspiring entrepreneurs, including concepts that are fundamental to the life sciences and healthcare industries
- Define a clear path for NYC’s entrepreneurially-minded graduate students and post-docs to start or join new commercial ventures based in NYC
- Build a local platform for the next generation of life sciences and healthcare technology entrepreneurs in NYC

The Program is held annually and features a mini-MBA curriculum, expert coaching, pitch preparation support, team building activities and access to a community of seasoned entrepreneurs, investors and mentors.

Date: Tuesday June 24th
Time: 12:00-1:30 PM
Location: 602 Hamilton Hall

**Career Exploration and Planning Workshop: From Assessment to Actualization**

Are you interested in career exploration but don’t know where/how to start? This 60 minute workshop led by Ruth Longobardi (career counselor for Office of Postdoctoral Affairs) and Rory Flinn (Director of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs) will assist participants in their career exploration by breaking down the process into several steps. This interactive workshop will have participants conduct a self-assessment, identify potential career paths, and strategically evaluate potential career options.

Date: Tuesday June 24th
Time: 5:30 – 6:30 PM
Location: (CUMC) Hammer Building 304

**Interpersonal Communications Workshop: Understanding Style Differences to Build Relationships**

People are different in many ways. Almost invariably, most people you interact with are quite different from you in terms of how they communicate, handle emotions, and deal with conflict and stress, as well as how they think, decide, listen and talk. When you interact with someone who is different from you—and again, that is most people—it can be challenging to establish rapport or to be credible and persuasive. It can be even more challenging to create and maintain a positive and productive relationship.

The willingness and ability to appreciate and respond to various social styles is often what separates successful professionals from unsuccessful ones. What are social styles? Social styles are patterns of behavior in interpersonal interactions. Social style is not a description of personality, an indicator of ability or intelligence, or a predictor of success. However, social style is a strong predictor of future interpersonal behavior.
This 90 minute workshop will be led by Joann Baney, of the Executive MPA program at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA). She has taught courses in Columbia’s Executive MBA program, the University’s Speech Department and at the Graduate School of Public Health. She is co-founder and Vice President of the Professional Development Company, Inc., a communications consulting firm in New York City. She coaches senior executives and presents customized communication training programs to organizations such as: JPMorgan Chase, The Wall Street Transcript, Del Monte Foods, Trinity Church Wall Street, Takeda Pharmaceuticals, Cornell Medical Center, the FAA, Lend Lease Americas, the RobinHood Foundation, and UPC Wind Management. Additionally, she is the author of *Guide to Interpersonal Communication* through Prentice Hall.

Date: Thursday June 26th  
Time: 12:00 – 1:30 PM  
Location: (CUMC) Hammer Building LL204  

- **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.

**Stanford Compassion Course – at Columbia University**

Only 2 days left to register for this one of a kind course. An eight-week class on Compassion is being offered at Columbia University this summer. This one of a kind course was created by Stanford neuroscientists, psychologists and contemplative scholars at Stanford Medical School. Using the latest research in neuroscience and psychology, lectures, readings, exercises, and class discussion, students will be taught to have a composed and compassionate response to themselves and others. This is the only class that addresses compassion from a scientific perspective, focusing on how it benefits your body and brain. Every part of the class has been thoroughly researched. Research conducted on this course shows that it increases happiness and overall positive emotions, reduces stress and anxiety, enhances feelings of connection, decreases worry, and leads to a more caring, compassionate attitude toward oneself and others. The class will meet from 7-9 pm every Thursday on the Columbia Medical School campus from June 12 to July 31st. Only 2 days are left to register for this one of a kind course so don't delay in registering! Registration can be done here: [is https://www.eventbrite.com/e/stanford-compassion-cultivation-training-at-columbia-university-registration-1040137780](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/stanford-compassion-cultivation-training-at-columbia-university-registration-10401377801)

**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 rfl2531@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.

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](http://www.nyas.org/AfterschoolProgram)

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**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 11th  
  **Time:** 10:00-11:00 AM  
  **Location:** Schapiro, CEPSR room 414.

- **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](http://www.columbia.edu/about_columbia/map/mathematics.html))


**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/](http://galwaypubnyc.com/))
  - Register for free for the event here: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GTTYFVF](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 10**
12:30 PM -- **MSPH Dean's Seminar on Chronic Disease**. Dr. David A. Relman, Professor, Departments of Medicine and of Microbiology and Immunology, Stanford School of Medicine; Dr. Ryan T. Demmer, Assistant Professor of Epidemiology, Mailman School of Public Health, "*The Microbiome & Chronic Disease.*" Hess Commons, 722 West 168th Street.

4:30 PM -- **The Dean's Distinguished Lecture in the Clinical Sciences**. Dr. Wendy K. Chung, Associate Professor of Pediatrics in Medicine, "*Utilizing Genomic Sequencing in Rare Diseases to Guide Clinical Care and Develop New Therapies.*" P&S Alumni Auditorium.

**Wednesday, June 11**

11:00 AM -- **Cellular, Molecular and Biomedical Studies Thesis Defense Seminar**. Dana Alessi, Laboratory of Dr. Liza Pon, "*Mitochondrial Remodeling Through the Proteasome is Critical for Mitochondrial Quality Control in Budding Yeast.*" Humphreys Auditorium, VC 14-240.

Noon -- **Taub Institute Seminar**. Dr. Sebastien S. Hebert, Associate Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Neuroscience, Universite Laval - Quebec, "*MicroRNAs in Alzheimer's Disease: Past, Present and Future Directions.*" P&S 12-460.

Noon -- **The 10th Annual Leahey Lecture**. Dr. Christopher P. Austin, Director, National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences - NIH, "*Catalyzing Translational Innovation.*" Milstein Hospital Heart Center, 1st Floor Auditorium.

**Thursday, June 12**

Noon -- **Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar**. Dr. Ehud Y. Isakoff, Professor of Neurobiology, Department of Molecular and Cell Biology, University of California - Berkeley, "*Synaptic Function and Plasticity with Light-Gated Glutamate.*" NI Alumni Auditorium.

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Alternate ways to view the calendar:

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Or view our on-line Calendar in its original format at: [http://sklad.cumc.columbia.edu/gsas/interior.php?sub=5_1](http://sklad.cumc.columbia.edu/gsas/interior.php?sub=5_1)
Other Research Seminars:

**Tuesday, June 10, 2014**
8:00 PM

The Secret Science Club presents

Dr. Charles L. Sawyers
Professor, Cell and Developmental Biology Program and Department of Medicine, Weill Cornell Graduate School of Medical Sciences
Chair, Human Oncology and Pathogenesis Program, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute

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