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Mark your calendars for the next Postdoc Development Workshop: Wednesday, September 26, 5-6:00pm, 210 Pugh Hall

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Link to the UF Libraries Resources and Services

The UF Libraries are continually updating and adding new resources and services for you. Please see the George A. Smathers Libraries homepage to access all of the libraries on campus and begin "Using the Libraries" for library locations and hours, instructions to access library resources from off-campus, and specific services. The Libraries homepage also links to the Health Science Center Libraries (HSCL) and the Legal Information Center.

Please look in the "Finding Help" tab to identify:

- Library Subject Specialist(s) in your field, HSCL Library Liaisons, and Law Librarian contacts
- existing subject and course guides in your discipline, and
- specific tutorials to show you "How to" find materials in the library, use the library catalog, submit course electronic reserves, search databases, and find out more about open access publishing resources.

You can also Request a Subject or Course Guide if one is not available under Guides at UF, and view the new "Instruction, Workshops, and Registration" webpage that connects to a library instruction specialist in each of the libraries and also lists upcoming orientations, workshops, and specialized instruction programs for you and your students.

If you have any questions, just click in the Ask-A-Librarian box in the upper left corner of the homepage and receive a timely response.

We have recently introduced the Authors@UF program series to showcase UF authors and their scholarship while providing an informal forum for discussion and communication between the author and the campus community and beyond.   You are welcome to invite your students to attend these discussion groups as part of your class curriculum.

If you have any suggestions or questions pertaining to library instruction and outreach, please contact:

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Wishing you a successful fall semester,
Judith Russell, Dean of University Libraries

GatorLaunch Program still needs mentors for STEM undergrads

Gator Launch is a mentoring program designed for underrepresented 2nd and 3rd year students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) majors at the University of Florida. Our goal is to assist students in gaining real-world experience and self-efficacy by developing relationships with professionals in their fields.

Currently, we are seeking qualified mentors to match with our students from the following fields: Chemical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Biological Engineering, and Aerospace Engineering.

If you are interested in participating, please contact our current Gator Launch Coordinator via email at GatorLaunch@crc.ufl.edu or by phone at (352) 273-2314.

More information (.pdf)

Submitted by the Career Resource Center

Do You Have Experience with Open Access Publishing?
Share it During OA Week 2012 – Call for Posters

Share your open access experiences with your colleagues during the UF 2012 Open Access Week celebration:

- Oct. 23rd, 10:00 a.m. – Noon, Health Science Center Library

 and

- Oct. 24th, from 10:00 a.m. – Noon, Library West.

We invite members of the UF community to submit proposals for posters that demonstrate how open access has impacted their teaching, learning, and research.

Examples of possible poster topics are:

- Use of open educational resources in a UF course
- How publishing in open access journals has increased impact of specific research
- How the NIH open access mandate has impacted health research
- Utilization of crowdsourcing in sharing and review of research ("open science")

Poster proposals should be no more than 250 words and submitted by September 20, 2012 to Christine Fruin (christine.ross@ufl.edu), Scholarly Communications Librarian, George A. Smathers Libraries. Please include in your proposal at which event you would like to present. Proposals will be reviewed by the Libraries' Scholarly Communications Working Group and notifications of accepted proposals will be made by September 28, 2012.

Accepted posters will be printed and set up by the Libraries but must be removed at the end of the Open Access Week event by the presenter. Completed posters should be no more than 3'x4'. Posters should be submitted in PDF or PPT (PowerPoint) format by Oct. 15th to christine.ross@ufl.edu.

Submitted by Christine Fruin, George A. Smathers Libraries

New Grant Registration System

The System for Award Management (SAM) is combining federal procurement systems and the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance into one new system. This consolidation is being done in phases. The first phase of SAM includes the functionality from the following systems:

- Central Contractor Registry (CCR)
- Federal Agency Registration (Fedreg)
- Online Representations and Certifications Application
- Excluded Parties List System (EPLS)

The SAM Web site is available here: https://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM/

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

ScienceCareers Article: *The Postdoc Experience: High Expectations, Grounded in Reality*

In today's job market, even highly trained postdocs must overcome struggling economies, hiring freezes, and high unemployment rates. To be competitive, postdocs have to start planning for their next position on day one of their fellowship (or even sooner). Networking, staying flexible about career options, and gaining experience beyond the bench makes young scientists marketable. By Kendall Powell More…

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Come and see what UF's Natural Area Teaching Lab (NATL) has to offer your curriculum, research and physical fitness

Located behind the UF Cultural Plaza, NATL is a fantastic resource for all UF faculty, staff and students. Enhance your curriculum by offering a unique trip to NATL. Courses, from Thermal Biology to Forensics, in at least five colleges already take advantage of the ecosystem diversity and species richness of NATL as well as some of its unique eco-tourism infrastructure (boardwalk and self-guided trails) and storm water management areas. A wide variety of researchers utilize NATL. Even social scientists can use the area to observe the impact of different natural areas on subjects. Regardless of your study area, NATL is open to everyone; you can enjoy an outdoor lunch on one of the picnic tables in the Natural Area Park, take a walk on a 500ft boardwalk across an ecologically engineered wetland, or stroll and learn on one of the four self-guided nature trails. Reduce your nature-deficit! Spend break time visiting the most fascinating natural area on campus.

For more information on the resources and educational and recreational opportunities NATL has to offer or to schedule a research or a class visit, please visit one of our online resources- website, Facebook page, Twitter page or contact us at natl@ufl.edu. We are very interested in facilitating the use of NATL for courses that are being delivered by distance. Contact us for ideas.

Submitted by Jennifer L. Gillett-Kaufman, UF/IFAS Entomology & Nematology Department

Spaces still available for New Postdoc Orientation - Register Now!

All are invited to the New Postdoc Orientation on Sept. 19, during National Postdoc Appreciation Week (Sept. 17-21). This orientation will be held in Emerson Alumni Hall at UF, and will begin at 8am and last through 2pm.

Please register here: http://npo2012.eventbrite.com/.

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Reminder: Gainesville Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn

Join this Facebook group for Gainesville area postdocs as well as the LinkedIn group: http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Gainesville-Postdocs-4479251?trk=myg_ugrp_ovr%20

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Reminder: FREE Affiliate NPA Membership

If you did not receive your invitation to join the National Postdoctoral Association or if your invitation has expired and you need to be sent a refreshed invitation, please contact Kim Pace to receive an invitation.

More information.

Submitted by Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

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