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### *Reminder:*

[Postdoc Hires](#): All UF employees on a Postdoctoral Associate or Postdoctoral Fellow appointment may enroll in the PostDocCare health plan [online](#). [More info](#)

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## Workshop Reminder: Funding Opportunities for Postdocs

Wednesday, November 14, 2012 , 6:00-8:00pm, McKnight Brain Institute Conference Rooms A & B (LG-110 A & B), Ground Floor

Panel discussion by those who have acquired various types of postdoc funding:

- Celine Baligand, College of Medicine
- Leonardo Ferreira, College of Health and Human Performance
- Neha Lodha, College of Health and Human Performance

*Parking is available in the front and back of the Brain Institute Building.*

[Workshop Flyer \(.pdf\)](#) to print, e-mail and share!

## Postdoctoral Opportunities: November, 2012

1. Postdoctoral Position: Marine Science Postdoctoral fellowship.  
Organization: Mote Marine Laboratory - Sarasota, FL. Deadline to Apply: Jan 15, 2013
2. Postdoctoral Position: Thompson Postdoctoral Fellowship in Geophysics. Organization: Department of Geophysics, Stanford University. Deadline to Apply: Jan 2, 2013
3. Postdoctoral Position: Provost's Postdoctoral Research Scientist/Scholar Organization: Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University. Deadline to Apply: Dec 21, 2012
4. Postdoctoral Opportunity: Gordon Research Seminar (GRS) on Polar Marine Science for graduate students and postdocs and the Gordon Research Conference (GRC) on Polar Marine Science. Organization: Gordon Research Conference. Deadline to Apply: Feb 9, 2013
5. Postdoctoral Opportunity: Marine Geoscience Leadership Symposium. Organization: Consortium for Ocean Leadership. Deadline to Apply: Dec 16, 2012

### Postdoc Position Details

1. One-year position to be filled by June 2013; renewable for second year. Open to all fields of marine research esp. population ecology and/or trophic dynamics of valued coastal species, and modeling of coastal ecosystems. For program and application details see [www.mote.org/postdocs](http://www.mote.org/postdocs)

2. The Department of Geophysics, Stanford University, has established the Thompson Postdoctoral Fellowship to be awarded to a candidate preferably within two years of receipt of the Ph.D. The fellowship is open to applicants in any area of geophysics including new areas of research that cross existing disciplinary boundaries, so that students and recent graduates in Earth science, physics, chemistry, biology, or computational sciences with interests in the geophysical sciences are also encouraged to apply. Our department is currently active in crustal geophysics, exploration and production geophysics, seismic imaging, rock physics, earthquake seismology, volcanic processes, crustal deformation, stress and geomechanics, environmental geophysics, and planetary sciences (see <https://pangea.stanford.edu/departments/geophysics/research/research-groups>)

The successful candidate will have her/his own independent research agenda, but have common interests with one or more existing faculty (who will serve as a formal mentor) and participate in their research group activities. We encourage prospective applicants to communicate in advance with prospective faculty mentors.

This honorific postdoctoral fellowship will be awarded for a one-year period with an anticipated extension for a second year. The fellowship can start any time in the academic year 2013/2014. The salary is \$56k to \$62k per year depending on experience, plus a \$15k research allowance. Applicants should submit a statement of research interests and proposed research, a curriculum vita, a list of publications and names of three potential referees, by email (as .pdf files, with the applicant name as part of the file name) to: [thompsonfellowship@sesmail.stanford.edu](mailto:thompsonfellowship@sesmail.stanford.edu)

3. Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University invites applications for the Provost's Postdoctoral Research Scientist/Scholar Program. The goal of this program is to enhance the recruitment of outstanding postdoctoral scholars from underrepresented groups to more closely reflect the composition of the national pool of qualified candidates. The program strongly encourages applications from promising scholars from historically underrepresented groups, including but not limited to: Blacks/African-Americans; Hispanics; Native Americans/Alaska

Natives; persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, or Samoa. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents who have recently completed their Ph.D. in the earth, environmental or ocean sciences, or expect to complete their degree requirements by September 2013. Individuals who received their terminal degree from Columbia University or who have been a Columbia University postdoctoral scholar are not eligible for this program.

Researchers at LDEO work to understand the dynamics of the earth's chemical, physical and biological systems, from the core to the upper atmosphere, including interactions with humankind. LDEO scientists lead research in the fields of solid earth dynamics (e.g. seismology, geodesy, mantle dynamics, petrology/geochemistry, earthquake and rock mechanics, marine and continental tectonics/geology/ geophysics), ocean and atmospheric dynamics (e.g. climate/paleoclimate, climate forecasting, physical/ chemical oceanography) and life sciences (e.g. biological oceanography, biogeosciences, plant physiology, paleontology). Applications from all related fields are encouraged. The principal selection criteria are scientific excellence and a clearly expressed plan to investigate problems at the forefront of earth science.

This is a three-year postdoctoral appointment and carries an annual stipend of \$58,000 with a research allowance of \$5,000. Award announcements will be made in February 2013. Applications should be completed online and submitted electronically at the following website: <http://webapp.ldeo.columbia.edu/postdocdiv> . You will need to provide: curriculum vitae, research proposal (maximum 2 pages), publications list, references and employment history.

4. The Gordon Research Seminar on Polar Marine Science is a unique forum for graduate students, post-docs, and other scientists with comparable levels of experience and education to present and exchange new data and cutting edge ideas. The focus of this meeting is to present cutting edge research by early career researchers on biological, physical, and chemical aspects of polar systems. Abstract submissions that reach across disciplinary boundaries or that connect polar processes to global processes are strongly encouraged.

The meeting will feature approximately 10 talks and 2 poster sessions. All attendees are expected to actively participate in the GRS either by giving an oral presentation or presenting a poster. Therefore, all applications must include an abstract. The Chairs will select speakers from abstracts submitted by November 9, 2012. Those applicants who are not chosen for talks and those who apply after the deadline to be considered for an oral presentation will be expected to present a poster. In order to participate, you must submit an application by the date indicated in the *Application Deadline* section above.

The program descriptions and registration are available at [http://www.grc.org/programs.aspx?year=2013&program=grs\\_polar](http://www.grc.org/programs.aspx?year=2013&program=grs_polar) and <http://www.grc.org/programs.aspx?year=2013&program=polar>. Some funding will be available for graduate students and postdocs attending both the GRS and GRC.

5. As global headlines focus on climate change, ocean acidification, and tsunamis, marine geoscientists stand well positioned to serve the needs of society while pushing the frontiers of scientific research. To solve these challenges and forge the necessary links between science and society, marine geoscientists must reach beyond their individual laboratories, form interdisciplinary collaborations, and communicate their discoveries to the public and policymakers. The Marine Geoscience Leadership Symposium introduces these skills to early career marine geoscientists. Participants will engage in small group discussions, participate in proposal workshops, and meet with funding agencies, media

representatives, and policymakers. The symposium will provide leadership and communications training and begin the process of forming interdisciplinary research collaborations.

Applicants may be from any subfield of marine geology or geophysics and should have completed their Ph.D. between December 2009 and December 2012. Selected participants will receive full participation support. For more information, visit [www.oceanleadership.org/mgls](http://www.oceanleadership.org/mgls).

*Submitted by Sobha Jaishankar, Office of Research*

## Best Practices in Research Data Management: Dec. 6, 2012

Learn practical strategies for best managing your research data. A number of U.S. funding agencies such as the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health require researchers to supply plans for managing research data, called Data Management Plans (DMP), for all new grant proposals. This workshop will provide an overview of the questions to consider when creating a data management plan, with a focus on the DMPTool and tools for sharing your data at the University of Florida (e.g. subject-specific repositories). Topics include metadata and annotation, file formats and organization, storage, backups and security, and data sharing. The workshop is geared toward graduate students, faculty, and researchers.

December 6, 12:00 pm, C2-41C Communicore

Seats are limited, register here:

[http://training.health.ufl.edu/public\\_workshops\\_view\\_details.aspx?ID=662](http://training.health.ufl.edu/public_workshops_view_details.aspx?ID=662)

*Submitted by the Rolando Milian, Health Sciences Center Library*

## Medalist nominations to Florida Academy of Sciences

The Florida Academy of Sciences seeks nominations for its 2013 Medalist. This will be the 51st medal awarded to Florida scientists, engineers, mathematicians, and colleagues in other disciplines since 1963.

The [2013 Medalist Nominations document](#) (.pdf) and [Medalist Nomination Form](#) (.doc) explain this honor, give a history of medalists, and provide a form and instructions for nomination. The Academy invites you to submit nominations on behalf of worthy individuals. (Self-nominations will not be accepted.) For nominations from academic sources, the Honors Committee strongly encourages inclusion of a candidate's curriculum vitae.

The 2013 Medalist will be announced publicly at the banquet during the 77th annual meeting of the Academy, on Friday evening, 8 March, on the campus of Barry University. The medalist will be invited to address the Academy as the banquet speaker at the 78th annual meeting in 2014.

*Submitted by the Office of the Provost*

## Secrets to Finding Academic Employment (Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology News)

*Stories about endless postdocs, futile job searches, and an abundance of under- and unemployed recent graduates have life science graduate students questioning their career decisions and not looking forward to graduation. A recent article in GEN, "[Job Squeeze Vexes Postdocs](#)", exposed the problem and presented several nonacademic solutions.*

*For those scientists who remain committed to securing academic employment, the following three success stories should buoy your spirits as well as provide some guidance on how to attain your goals.*

Complete article:

<http://www.genengnews.com/keywordsandtools/print/3/29352/>

## Two new exhibitions debut at the George A. Smathers Libraries

### Imagining Jerusalem

November 13-December 14, 2012  
Smathers Library Gallery, 2nd floor  
Open Mon-Fri 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Imagining Jerusalem presents antique maps, historic photographs and rare books depicting, idealizing and imagining Jerusalem. In celebration of the 20th year anniversary of Dr. James and Adina Simmons gift to the George A. Smathers Libraries, the exhibition features the Holy Land Map Collection and special materials from the Price Library of Judaica. Curated by Rebecca Jefferson and Carol Mcauliffe. An opening reception will be held on Thursday, November 15 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in Smathers Library (East), Room 1A and will feature a talk by Dr. Elizabeth Ross on Jerusalem in antique maps.

### About Face: Revisiting Jamaica's First Exhibition in Europe online exhibition

The George A. Smathers Libraries at the University of Florida have debuted the online exhibition About Face: Revisiting Jamaica's First Exhibition in Europe (<http://exhibits.uflib.ufl.edu/aboutface>). The exhibition, which is only available online, celebrates Jamaica's 50th anniversary of independence by revisiting the country's first post-independence exhibition to tour Europe.

The exhibition Face of Jamaica toured Europe for nine months between 1963 and 1964 yet it was never viewed in Jamaica. Almost fifty years later, the online exhibition About Face: Revisiting Jamaica's First Exhibition in Europe reconsiders that exhibition by re-presenting its art and related materials online. Over forty of the original works of art by such noted artists as Edna Manley, Karl Parboosingh and Barrington Watson, as well as original news articles about the exhibition and a study of Jamaican perception and pop culture in the early 1960s are included. Many items featured in the online exhibition are also freely available as zoomable images in the Digital Library of the Caribbean (<http://dloc.com>) to allow more in depth and detailed viewing.

About Face was co-curated by Dr. Petrine Archer, visiting scholar in the Department of History of Art at Cornell University and Claudia Hucke, senior lecturer in art history at the Edna Manley College of the Visual and Performing Arts in Kingston, Jamaica. It was designed by Lourdes Santamaria-Wheeler, exhibits coordinator for the George A. Smathers Libraries.

The exhibition was made possible by the George Smathers Libraries Mini Grant Program.

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## The Red Shoe Movement

If you are ready to prove that women can help other women become powerful, join Mariela Dabbah and the Red Shoe Movement! Wear your red shoes to work on Tuesdays to signal your support for other women's career goals. Men can wear Red Ties to show support!

What is it?

As her book *Poder de Mujer: Descubre quién eres para crear el éxito a tu medida* (*Woman Power: Discover who you are to tailor your success*) came out, Mariela Dabbah, award-winning best-selling author, launched a movement to encourage women to support other women in fulfilling their career goals.

How does it work?

By wearing your red shoes to work on Tuesdays (and whenever possible) and letting people know that you support the Red Shoe Movement (RSM), you will not only establish yourself as a supporter of women but also inspire other women to join the movement. It's very likely that the sheer peer pressure will drive a new conversation at work about women supporting one another.

What are the principles behind the movement?

If you decide to join Mariela Dabbah and the Red Shoe Movement, we ask that you adhere to a few simple principles:

- Refrain from bad-mouthing other women
- Avoid using labels that contribute to stereotype women
- Mentor younger or less experienced women whenever you have a chance
- Offer opportunities to women who are eager to learn and open to feedback
- Provide honest feedback to women in your network, and avoid hurtful comments or unnecessary criticism
- Cultivate your relationship with women on your team
- Celebrate selflessly the accomplishments of other women

*More information:*

- <https://www.facebook.com/RedShoeMovement/>
- <http://www.marieladabbah.com/red-shoe-movement.htm>

*Submitted by Rachel Walters, Geological Sciences*

## 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](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*