

# Postdoctoral Update

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### *Reminder:*

All University of Florida employees on an appointment as a Postdoctoral Associate or Postdoctoral Fellow may enroll in the PostDocCare health plan online at [www.hr.ufl.edu/benefits/post\\_doc\\_care/enroll.asp](http://www.hr.ufl.edu/benefits/post_doc_care/enroll.asp). Enrollment must be completed within 30 days of the employee's date of hire, regardless of the Post Doc's status in the PeopleSoft system.

[More info](#)

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**Postdoc Research Symposium on April 8: Still time to RSVP to attend!**

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to offer the first Postdoc Research Symposium at the University of Florida which will take place on April 8, starting at 2pm at Emerson Alumni Hall. Postdocs are being provided an opportunity to compete in both poster and oral presentation categories. The general public is invited to attend this celebration of postdoc research.

*The Call for Abstracts to participate in the poster competition and oral presentations expired on March 18*, but there is still time to RSVP to attend the event and see postdocs present their posters and oral presentations.

Come out and see the outstanding research UF postdocs are doing by coming to the Symposium!

RSVP to attend here by April 1: <http://postdocsymposium.eventbrite.com/#>

More information is on the Symposium site: <http://postdoc.aa.ufl.edu/symposium>

Tentative program schedule:

*2:15-3:15pm: Postdoc Oral Presentations (2 rooms, 5 presentations each)*

*3:30-5:00pm: Poster Judging in 2 groups*

*5:00pm-5:30pm: Keynote Address from Dr. David Fuller, Department of Physical Therapy  
College of Public Health and Health Professions*

*5:30-6:00pm: Presentation of Awards  
Recognition of 2013 Postdoc Mentoring Award Winners  
Presentation of Postdoc Symposium Poster and Oral Presentation Winners*

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## Postdoc Workshop: Immigration Issues for International Postdocs

The next postdoc development workshop will focus on immigration questions for postdocs. Whether you are an international postdoc or would like to learn about issues affecting international postdocs and students, this workshop will provide information and answers to your questions.

The workshop will take place on **March 27, 3:30-5:30pm, LG-101A (DeWeese Auditorium)** in the McKnight Brain Institute. Mr. Aaron Blumberg from Fragomen immigration law firm, will cover such topics as visas, labor certifications, and national interest waivers.

[Workshop Flyer for Printing and Distribution \(Portrait\) \(.pdf\)](#)

[Workshop Flyer for Printing and Distribution \(Landscape\) \(.pdf\)](#)

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## Postdoc Social: Friday, March 22, 7pm

Gators are the number three seed in the South region! They will play on Friday, March 22 in the NCAA tournament. Come out to cheer on the Gators at the next postdoc social on Friday, 7pm at the [Gainesville Ale House!](#)

*Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*

## Living Well Presents: Student-Led Seminar #3: "Managing Stress Through Nutrition"

We invite you to learn about how your diet can affect your stress levels and how your stress levels affect your diet.

Who? UF Employees

Where? Florida Gym Room 235

When? Wednesday, March 20th from 12-1pm  
RSVP by email to [kochipa@ufl.edu](mailto:kochipa@ufl.edu). See [flyer](#) for more details.  
For more Information:  
Website: [www.livingwell.ufl.edu](http://www.livingwell.ufl.edu)  
Phone: 352-294-1629  
Email: [kochipa@ufl.edu](mailto:kochipa@ufl.edu)

*Submitted by Kathleen Ochipa, Living Well*

## VIVA EUROPE 2013!

Get your hands on Europe at our free, family-friendly festival and have fun learning about Europe. Eat, drink, dance, sing, make crafts, listen to authentic European music, watch English, Greek, and Turkish dancers, buy stuff from Hungary, Romania, or Turkey, write your name in a different language, play bocce, and get a map. Learn to say "Go Gators" in 10 different languages, compete in a dominoes tournament, get a henna tattoo, and have your fortune told with melted wax or coffee grounds.

All that and more at VIVA EUROPE 2013! - a day-long celebration of the cultures of Europe - brought home to you in downtown Gainesville by the University of Florida Center for European Studies with other organizers and sponsors. The festival is on **Saturday, March 23, 2013** from 11:00am-4:00pm at the [Bo Diddley Community Plaza](#).

*More information:*

[http://www.ces.ufl.edu/outreach/special\\_events/viva\\_europe/index.shtml](http://www.ces.ufl.edu/outreach/special_events/viva_europe/index.shtml)

## Prescription services, mini drug store and more at the UF Student Health Care Center Pharmacy

Did you know that the UF Student Health Care Center Pharmacy fills prescriptions for UF faculty and staff? The SHCC Pharmacy accepts self-payment as well as a variety of commercial prescription plans when the associated plan's card is presented at the time of purchase. Have questions? Call (352) 392-1760 or stop by the main campus location at 280 Fletcher Drive (Infirmary Building, First Floor).

While you're there, check out the selection of low-cost health, wellness and beauty items! Stock up on aspirin and Allegra, Burt's Bees and bandages, cough medicine and cold remedies, dollar items and Doritos, shampoo, sunscreen and more. For more information, visit the SHCC Pharmacy online at <http://shcc.ufl.edu/services/primary-care/pharmacy/>.

**\*\*Confirmed that these services are available to UF postdocs\*\***

*Submitted by Catherine A. Seemann, UF Student Health Care Center*

## GAINnet Event: Life Sciences Industry Trends: What You Need to Know in 2013

*March 19, 2013, 4-6:30pm, McKnight Brain Institute*

Please join the Northeast Chapter at the McKnight Brain Institute of the University of Florida to hear professionals in the life science industry discuss what's happening in 2013! Topics include Drug Development, Medical Devices, Diagnostics, Intellectual Property, Orphan Drug Tax Credits, BioManufacturing, Machine Learning/Data Management, Biotechnology Training and Regulatory Affairs. An optional tour of the Institute will be given at 6 PM for BioFlorida attendees. Light refreshments will be provided

*Event information:* <http://gainnet.org/events/life-sciences-industry-trends-what-you-need-to-know-in-2013>

*GAINnet:* <http://gainnet.org/>

## [CTSI \(Clinical and Translational Science Institute\)](#)

To prepare and nurture future health researchers, the University of Florida CTSI

offers multidisciplinary training programs. The CTSI undertakes transformational initiatives and provides services and resources to facilitate health research in any disease area and to advance knowledge across the translational spectrum – from laboratories to health-care settings to the public health and policy arenas, and back again.

More information on the CTSI Website: <http://www.ctsi.ufl.edu/>

## The 2014-2015 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program core competition is now open

The Fulbright Scholar Program offers teaching, research or combination teaching/research awards in over 125 countries for the 2014-2015 academic year. Opportunities are available for college and university faculty and administrators as well as for professionals, artists, journalists, scientists, lawyers, independent scholars and many others.

In order to meet the changing needs of academia and develop new options to better accommodate the interests and commitments of today's scholars, the program has introduced several innovations to the 2014-2015 program, including: [Fulbright Flex Awards](#), [Fulbright Postdoctoral/Early Career Awards](#), [Salary Stipend Supplements](#), and [Teaching English as a Foreign Language Awards](#).

Interested faculty and professionals are encouraged to learn more about these opportunities, and hundreds of others, by visiting the [Catalog of Awards](#).

The application deadline for most awards is **August 1, 2013**. U.S. citizenship is required. For other eligibility requirements and detailed award descriptions visit our website at [http://www.cies.org/us\\_scholars/us\\_awards/](http://www.cies.org/us_scholars/us_awards/) or contact us at [scholars@ije.org](mailto:scholars@ije.org)

*Submitted by David Sammons, UF International Center*

## Mon., March 25<sup>th</sup>, “Relationships between the Humanities and STEM Fields” Roundtable

The Humanities and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Fields 25 March 2013 -6:00-7:30 pm Smathers Library (East), 1A

The UF Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere invites the UF and Gainesville communities to a fourth roundtable conversation this Spring to explore the relationship of research inquiry and teaching in the humanities disciplines and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields. Participants in the round-table will describe various ways in which advances in history, literature, and philosophy inform and are informed by work in computer engineering, biomedicine, neuroscience, and mathematics. In articulating the relationship of different bodies of knowledge and disciplinary cultures in their own work, the speakers will point to the central role of the liberal arts and sciences in education and innovation at the contemporary and future research university. Following five ten-minute presentations, there will be time for a question and answer period and more broad discussion of these issues.

### Moderator:

Willard Harrison, Department of Chemistry; former Dean of CLAS (University of Florida)

### Participants:

- Erik Deumens, Department of Chemistry; Department of Physics (University of Florida)
- Kevin Knudson, Department of Mathematics; Director, Honors Program (University of Florida)
- Joseph Murphy, Department of Languages, Literatures & Cultures (Japanese) (University of Florida)
- Christopher Sistrom, Department of Radiology (University of Florida)
- Betty Smocovitis, Department of History; Department of Biology

(University of Florida)

This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, see: <http://www.humanities.ufl.edu/calendar/20130325-Humanities-and-STEM.html>

*Submitted by Sophia Krzys Acord, Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere*

## Reminder: University of Florida Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn

Join this [Facebook group](#) for University of Florida 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*

## Reminder: Postdoc Info Listserv

*Want to receive email prompts prior to postdoc events like the [Postdoc Development Workshops](#) and other postdoc events?*

A listserv has been created for postdocs to receive reminders for upcoming postdoc events. Please email Kim Pace ([kpace@aa.ufl.edu](mailto:kpace@aa.ufl.edu)) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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