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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. 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](#)

2013 Postdoc Mentoring Award Winners

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs wishes to congratulate the winners of the [2013 Postdoc Mentoring Awards](#) who were recognized at the Postdoc Research Symposium for their contributions to the mentoring of postdocs at UF:

- **Dr. Martin J. Cohn**
Department of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology
College of Medicine
- **Dr. Kevin Folta**
Department of Horticultural Sciences
College of Agricultural and Life Sciences
- **Dr. Chris Hass**
Department of Applied Physiology and Kinesiology
College of Health and Human Performance

Please join the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs in appreciating the outstanding contributions of these three faculty members to the betterment of the UF postdoc experience.

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

2013 Postdoc Research Symposium Winners

[The First Annual Postdoc Research Symposium](#) saw over 120 postdocs and members of the UF community turn out for oral and poster presentations at Emerson Alumni Hall on Monday, April 8. From over 80 submitted abstracts, first place and second place winners were chosen for the oral and poster categories.

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to announce the following postdoc winners of the oral presentation and poster competitions in yesterday's first annual Postdoc Research Symposium:

Oral Presentations:

First Place: **Dr. Michael Layden**, Whitney Laboratory for Marine Bioscience

Second Place: **Dr. Michael Wiggs**, Applied Physiology and Kinesiology, College of Health and Human Performance

Posters:

First Place: **Dr. Ashley J. Smuder**, Applied Physiology and Kinesiology, College of Health and Human Performance

Second Place: **Dr. Daniel Ryder**, Physical Therapy, College of Public Health and Health Professions

Also recognized at the Symposium was the **Department of Pathology, Immunology and Laboratory Medicine** in the College of Medicine for their high level of postdoc participation. The department received the 2013 Postdoc Engagement Award for their outstanding support of postdoc development.

The OPA thanks **Dr. David Fuller** for providing an inspiring keynote address. The Office also thanks all the presentation judges for their service: **Dr. Celine Baligand**, **Dr. Martin Cohn**, **Dr. Kevin Folta**, **Dr. David Fuller**, **Dr. Erica Goss**, **Dr. Chris Hass**, **Dr. Sobha Jaishankar**, **Dr. Eoin Quinlivan**, and **Dr. Mark Wallet**.

This Symposium would not have been possible without the hard work of the Postdoc Planning Committee, Chaired by **Dr. William Puszyk**. Assisting with the planning and Symposium's activities were **Dr. Celine Baligand**, **Dr. Thierry Dubroca**, **Dr. Allison Kinney**, **Dr. Stefanie Marquez**, **Dr. Georgios Papathanasiou**, and **Dr. Laurel Pearson**.

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs would like to congratulate the winners for their outstanding presentations. We appreciate the support of all those who attended the event and hope the UF community continues to support the appreciation of postdoc research and their development in professional and communication skills

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Next Postdoc Development Workshop: April 18, 2013

Learn key techniques for being an effective manager of laboratory staff and students at the next postdoc development workshop.

The next postdoc development workshop will address the topic of *management and supervisory skills for postdocs* and will take place on April 18, 4pm-6pm in 282 Reitz Union.

The workshop will be led by Courtney Moon, professional skills trainer for the Training and Organizational Development team in UF's Human Resource Services.

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Interface 2013 – Registration Now Open

Registration is open for Interface 2013. The 1-day program is free.

Registration is required for either face-to-face and online attendees. Lunch will be provided for face-to-face participants.

Interface 2013

Thursday, April 25

8:00am to 4:30pm

Smathers Library East, Room 1-A

Interface 2013 will again feature a "lightning rounds" format--short demonstrations of technology use and instructional practices—from UF instructors identified for their innovative and effective use of technology in teaching. Following each lightning round, there will be the opportunity for face-to-face discussion with presenters and peers.

Curtis Bonk is the keynote speaker for Interface 2013. Curtis is the author of the widely-used Empowering Online Learning: 100+ Activities for Reading, Reflecting, Displaying, and Doing. Interface 2013 is sponsored by the Technology Innovations Advisory Committee, UF Information Technology, The Center for Humanities and the Public Sphere, and the Smathers Libraries. Visit the [Interface Web site](#) for additional information and to register.

Submitted by Doug Johnson, UF Information Technology

March 27 Postdoc Workshop Video Available

Resources from the March 27 Postdoc Development Workshop on *Immigration Issues for Postdocs* are available on the workshop website, including:

- Workshop Video on YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dM1q0t4jSqY&feature=youtu.be>
- [Workshop Presentation](#) (.pptx)

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Florida Institute of Oceanography Opportunities Newsletter

FIO Assorted Opportunities Newsletter April, 2013

Some of the opportunities listed in the newsletter:

Post-Doctoral Opportunities

- Postdoctoral Researchers in Remote Sensing Applications Estuary and Delta Science
Organization: California Institute of Technology *Deadline to Apply:* March 15, 2014
- Postdoctoral Research Assistant
Organization: University of Reading – Department of Meteorology
Deadline to Apply: April 30
- Postdoctoral Researcher

Organization: University of Oxford – Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic & Planetary Physics *Deadline to Apply:* April 19

- Postdoctoral Research Associate in Geochemistry/Petrology

Organization: Durham University *Deadline to Apply:* April 23

[FIO Newsletter with More Information \(.pdf\)](#)

Submitted by the Office of Research

April 30: Deadline to Apply for NSF & Gates Foundation "BREAD Ideas Challenge" Competition

The National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has launched the BREAD Ideas Challenge, a prize competition for the Basic Research to Enable Agricultural Development (BREAD) program.

The BREAD Ideas Challenge is open to graduate students, postdoctoral associates and faculty at universities, colleges and non-profit research organizations in the United States and internationally.

The BREAD Ideas Challenge is an opportunity for researchers in the agricultural sciences to identify, in 100 words or fewer, what they believe are today's most pressing issues facing smallholder farmers in the developing world. Up to 25 winners will receive \$10,000 USD each and their ideas will be showcased on the BREAD Ideas Challenge website to draw international attention to these important challenges.

Ideas are now being accepted at the BREAD Ideas Challenge website from applicants in the United States and around the world.

Interested researchers have until 5 p.m. EDT, April 30, 2013 to submit their ideas describing a challenge or research focus consistent with BREAD Program objectives. The BREAD Ideas Challenge is open to graduate students, postdoctoral associates and faculty at universities, colleges and non-profit research organizations in the United States and internationally.

Link to the NSF News item:

NSF Launches \$10,000 BREAD Ideas Challenge

http://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=127465&WT.mc_id=USNSF_51&WT.mc_ev=click

Link to Apply to the BREAD Ideas Challenge:

BREAD Ideas Challenge

<http://www.nsf.gov/bio/bread/index.jsp>

Submitted by the UF I-Cubed Project

April 18: Deadline for Submissions for UF Innovations for International Development Symposium

[Confirmed by the OPA that this is available to UF postdocs]

The International Center, IFAS International Programs, and the Emerging Pathogens Institute are pleased to be hosting the upcoming Innovations for International Development Symposium. The event, which will take place on May 2, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in Reitz Union's Rion Ballroom, will be an exciting opportunity for members of the UF community to exchange information and ideas about technologies and innovations that can be used to advance solutions that can improve the lives of the poor in developing countries. The three broad topics we are focusing on are: Technology; Capacity building/Implementation; and Extension/Technology Transfer. If you would like an opportunity to present your work, please download and submit the Call for Abstracts form...

ufic.ufl.edu/PD/downloads/InnovationsforDevelopmentSymposium-

[call for abstracts.pdf](#)

...by April 18, 2013 at 5 p.m. Submitted abstracts will be reviewed on April 19th by a committee, and you will be notified later that day of the committee's decision. If you are selected you will be advised of the format for your presentation (either a poster or a brief oral presentation) though you are invited to state your preference on the submission form.

The poster session is a great opportunity to present your technology, innovation or development approach, and also to hone your skills in displaying your work in this manner. Additionally, this experience and networking opportunity could be of use to students who are planning on competing in one of the numerous national poster competitions, such as Emory University's International Global Health Case Competition...

http://www.globalhealth.emory.edu/programs/globaldevandhealthweek/casecompetition_2013_international.php

...and Columbia University's International Conference on Sustainable Development Practice:

<http://www.earth.columbia.edu/sdp-conference-2013/>

Individuals or teams that have already created posters are welcome to submit abstracts based on the same material and poster as long as it is relevant to the mini-symposium.

You can navigate to the Call for Abstracts announcement and Submission Form by clicking on this link:

<http://ufic.ufl.edu/Event-20130502.html>

Please forward this on to colleagues and students that you feel might be interested in submitting an abstract or attending the event.

Please send questions or comments to:

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Submitted by Kristen Augustine, UF International Center

April 18: Career Development Seminar

"Transitioning From Basic Science to Prevention Science: A Career in Epidemiology and Public Health"

Speaker: Cindy Prins, Ph.D., MPH, CIC

Date: Thursday, April 18, 2012

Time: 4:00-5:00PM

Location: HPNP 1102

Submitted by the Interdisciplinary Program in Biomedical Sciences Graduate Student Organization (GSO)

Treasures of the Parker Library

A talk by Melvin Jefferson (Cambridge, UK) Thursday, April 18, 2013, 6-7 pm Smathers Library (East), Room 1A

The Parker Library houses one of the most valuable Anglo-Saxon manuscript collections in the world, including the earliest copy of the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle (from c.850) and key Middle English texts such as Geoffrey Chaucer's *Troilus* and

Criseyde. The Library's most famous manuscript, the Latin St. Augustine Gospels, one of the earliest bound books in existence, is still used in the enthronement ceremony of the Archbishops of Canterbury.

The unique treasures of the Parker Library were recently made available for research as a licensed interactive web-based workspace. The "Parker Library on the Web" database was the product of a collaborative digitization project between Corpus Christi College, Cambridge University Library and Stanford University Libraries, funded by the Andrew Mellon Foundation.

Melvin Jefferson served as the Head of the Cambridge Colleges' Conservation Consortium based at the Parker Library for over 10 years before his retirement at the end of 2011. He conserved many precious books and manuscripts belonging to the Parker Library and eleven member colleges, worked as a consultant for other institutions and individuals, bound presentation books for European royalty, and played a key role in the Parker Library on the Web digitization project.

Jefferson will talk about the history of the Parker Library and provide an overview of its holdings. He will discuss the process, challenges and results of the Parker Library on the Web digitization project, providing illustrative examples from his unique collection of conservation project photographs.

This event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments served.

For more information, contact Rebecca Jefferson: rjefferson@ufl.edu

Sponsored by the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere, the Department of English and the George A. Smathers Libraries.

Submitted by Barbara Hood, George A. Smathers Libraries

A Handful of Leaves: Immigrant Stories

A Handful Of Leaves: Immigrant Stories is a devised theater piece, directed by Kevin Marshall, based on selections from the holdings of the Price Library of Judaica at the George A. Smathers Libraries. The production focuses on the stories of Dr. Emanuel Merdinger and Leah Stupniker, and will explore moments in the lives of these individuals, based on their memoirs and journals.

The show was created to highlight the importance of personal artifacts, and to connect potential donors of these artifacts with the library system at the University of Florida. These stories will illustrate their importance in understanding the history and experience of immigration to the United States.

Showings -- All will be held in the Digital Worlds Institute, Old Norman Gym on campus. Parking is available in the Norman Field Parking Garage.

Wednesday, April 17, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 18, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 19, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 20, 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, but to attend any one of the four shows, you will need to add your name and the name of any guests to a sign-up sheet at the School of Theater and Dance. Seats are limited - only 70 per show - and they are expected to fill up.

If you plan to go to one of the showings, please e-mail kmarshall@arts.ufl.edu with the number attending by 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 12. Live streaming video of each showing will also be available at <http://digitalworlds.ufl.edu/live>

Cast and Crew Director: Kevin Marshall Web Design: Joseph Murphy

University of Florida Collaborators

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[The George A. Smathers Libraries](#) & [The Isser & Rae Price Library of Judaica](#)

[The Center for Arts & Public Policy](#)

[The Center for the Humanities in the Public Sphere](#)

Submitted by Barbara Hood, George A. Smathers Libraries

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

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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 e-mail 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 e-mail Kim Pace (kpace@aa.ufl.edu) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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