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Important Information re: Postdoc Insurance:

Effective July 1, 2013, the University of Florida's insurance plan for Postdoctoral Associates and Postdoctoral Fellows will be provided as part of GatorCare, the University's new self-insured health plan. The name of the plan is GatorCare Options. To view a plan brochure for GatorCare Options, please visit http://gatorcare.org/options_g.asp. For further details about GatorCare in general, please visit <http://gatorcare.org>.

Beginning July 1, 2013, newly hired Postdoctoral Associates and Postdoctoral Fellows will be able to complete their GatorCare Options enrollment via the myUFL system. Detailed instructions on how to enroll can be found on the attachment.

Important deadlines:

- New hires must complete enrollment within 60 days of hire.
- Qualifying event changes must be completed within 60 days of the event.
- Open enrollment elections must be completed prior to the end of open enrollment.

If you have questions about enrollment or eligibility, please contact HRS's GA and

Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu or (352) 392-0003.

- [All Inclusive Guide](#) (.pdf)
- [Information from InfoGator](#) (.pdf)

Please note that GatorCare is not available to Adjunct Post Docs or Adjunct Clinical Post Docs.

Save the Date: December 12 Postdoc Workshop

The next Postdoc Development Workshop will be held Thursday, December 12, 1:00-3:00pm in the McKnight Brain Institute Conference Room (LG-110 A/B). Monica Rosier and Teri Balsler will provide postdocs with information on improving interview skills.

[Postdoc Development Workshop presentation by Lorraine Tracey](#) from the October 30 workshop now available on the workshops site.

Reminder to Sign Up for FREE Grants Workshop

Deadline: November 15

The Office of Research is pleased to announce Grant Writing Workshops presented by Dr. Robert Porter.

Date: Monday and Tuesday December 9-10, 2013

Location: UF/IFAS Straughn Extension Center ([map](#)).

These workshops are free for participants and open to all UF faculty, staff, and students by first-come, first-served registration.

Online registration is required by Friday, November 15.

Participants may [register for any or all of the following sessions](#):

Monday, December 9, 2013, 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM: Writing Successful Grants.

Monday, December 9, 2013, 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM: Strategies for Success in Sponsored Research

Tuesday, December 10, 2013, 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM: Building the NEH (National Endowment for the Humanities) Grant Proposal

Tuesday, December 10, 2013, 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM: Career Development Grants for Pre- and Postdocs

For full descriptions of each of these workshops and the overall program, please visit:

<http://my.research.ufl.edu/Applications/FundingOpportunities/ArticleDetail.aspx?id=34188>

To register by November 15, please visit: <http://research.ufl.edu/faculty-and-staff/proposal-development-submission/grantsmanship-resources/registration-dr-robert-porters-grant-workshops.html>

Please note: Participants will be required to fill out a workshop evaluation and participate in a review exchange pool after the workshops - committing to reviewing proposals or parts of proposals for their fellow participants in the future, and having access to this service themselves.

For question, please contact Jenn Hubbs hubbsj@ufl.edu

Submitted by the Office of Research

Durham University - 2014/15 International Fellowships for Research & Enterprise

Durham University is delighted to announce the fourth round of the Durham International Fellowship Scheme, designed to attract the most talented researchers in Europe and beyond and across the full spectrum of science, social science, arts and humanities, to build international networks of scholars with a common passion for today's most important research challenges.

Up to 11 postdoctoral **Junior Research Fellowships** are available commencing between 1 July 2014 and 1 October 2014. The closing date for applications is **06 December 2013**. The normal period of the Fellowship will be 12 - 15 months. We have applied to the EU for a formal extension to the DIFeREns project until 30 September 2016, and to extend Fellowships to that date (to a total of 24 - 27 months) if Fellows so desire. Applicants are requested to state whether they would wish to extend their Fellowship and to explain how the additional time would be used. Starting salaries will be in the range £30,424-£34,223 p.a.

In addition, up to ten **Senior Research Fellowships** and seven **Policy & Enterprise Fellowships** are available. The closing date for applications is **10 January 2014**. Fellowships are available for periods of 6 weeks to 6 months between October 2014 and September 2015 (with a typical stay of 3 months). Applications are considered from researchers with an established or emerging international reputation for scholarship or research leadership.

Details on the scheme and how to apply can be found at:

www.durham.ac.uk/ias/diferens/.

To meet the eligibility requirements of the EU Marie Curie programme, applicants may not have resided in the UK for more than 12 months in the 36 months prior to the reference date for this call (1 July 2014).

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Lymphatic Education & Research Network Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards Program:

I want to be sure you are aware of an opportunity for funding from the Lymphatic Education & Research Network (LE&RN), formerly the Lymphatic Research Foundation. I would like to know if you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, and would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

The Lymphatic Education & Research Network (LE&RN) is a 501(c)(3) not-for profit organization whose mission is to fight lymphatic disease and lymphedema through education, research and advocacy. LE&RN seeks to accelerate the prevention, treatment and cure of the disease while bringing patients and medical professionals together to address the unmet needs surrounding lymphatic disorders.

Lymphatic Education & Research Network Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards Program:

The LE&RN Postdoctoral Fellowship Program is designed to support postdoctoral scientists in academic, medical or research institutions throughout the world. The awards will support investigators who have recently received their doctorates, a critical point in career development when young scientists choose their lifelong research focus. The goal of the Fellowship Program is to expand and strengthen the pool of outstanding junior investigators in the field of lymphatic research.

Each applicant must be working under the supervision of an established investigator who is the designated Mentor. Two-year fellowships ranging from \$82,000 to \$95,000 will be awarded to fellows who have completed no more than three years of postdoctoral training by July 1st of the LE&RN funding cycle.

Applications are due January 10.

For more information visit: <http://www.hria.org/tmfservices/?page=lern/> .

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Postdoc Journal Invites Contributing Editors

Postdoc Journal, a Journal of Postdoctoral Research (JPR) and Postdoctoral Affairs (JPA), is currently seeking contributing editors from multiple disciplines. JPR publishes original research papers, reviews, progress articles, commentaries, perspectives and research highlights in ALL disciplines postdocs conduct research in. The journal is chalked out to be a monthly publication set to release on the 20th of each month. Interested postdocs are expected to contribute, at the least, 4 peer reviewed articles per year. The work could be in any of the formats supported by the journal, i.e. commentary, research highlight, progress article, perspectives, review and original research. Endorsed by an advisory panel of eminent scientists, and managed by a team of 60+ postdocs on the editorial board representing a range of universities and disciplines, JPR has been publishing papers since January of 2013. It is an initiative to highlight the significant contributions made by postdoctoral fellows around the world to ongoing research in ALL disciplines. To capitalize on the steady growth the journal has witnessed since its inception, Postdoc Journal invites applicants from ALL research disciplines to serve as contributing editors.

Interested postdocs may contact the editors-in-chief Dr. Nicole Billings (anb11@mit.edu), Dr. Zi Chen (chen.z@seas.wustl.edu), senior contributing editor Dr. Raj Loganathan (rlogana2@jhmi.edu) or any of the editors on the current board.

The journal also encourages postdocs to join the fast-growing editorial team by filling-out the required information on the portal. We soon plan to form specialty sections on the editorial board based on various research disciplines.

[Information Flyer](#) (.pdf)

Submitted by Biswapriya B. Misra, Department of Biology

Tues. Nov. 12th, “The Legacy of the Boston Tea Party” (Benjamin Carp, Tufts)

“Civil” Society? On the Future Prospects of Meaningful Dialogue (2013-14 Speaker Series from the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere)

“The Fractured Teapot: Debating the Legacy of the Boston Tea Party”

Benjamin Carp (Tufts University)

12 November 2013 - 5:30 pm

Smathers Library (East), 1A

The Boston Tea Party of 1773 is known to every schoolchild, but it has found a new place in public debate with the rise of the Tea Party movement in 2009. Professor of early American history, Ben Carp, will unearth some of the ‘forgotten’ history of the Boston Tea Party to explore the selective way we remember revolutionary Boston. Carp’s goal is to show how generations of Americans have debated the meaning of the Tea Party and used it for different purposes, including abolitionists, the Ku Klux Klan, temperance advocates, and tax protesters. Carp has written for BBC History, Colonial Williamsburg, the Wall Street Journal, and the Washington Post, and he has appeared on BBC1, C-SPAN2, C-SPAN3, and the Discovery Channel.

This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, see: <http://www.humanities.ufl.edu/calendar-2013-14-speaker->

[series.html](#)

This event is part of the 2013-14 public speaker series organized by the UF Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere to explore how we can improve the climate of political discussion in the U.S. This series is co-sponsored by the Rothman Endowment at the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere with support from the Office of Sustainability, UF Libraries, Honors Program, Department of History, Department of English, and Samuel Proctor Oral History Program.

Submitted by Sophia Krzys Acord, UF 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

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 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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The logo for the University of Florida, featuring the letters 'UF' in a large, bold, blue font, followed by the words 'UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA' in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font. Below the logo is the tagline 'The Foundation for The Gator Nation' in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font.

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