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Important Information re: Postdoc Insurance:

If you have questions about benefits enrollment or eligibility, please contact UF's [Human Resource Services](#)' GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu or (352) 392-0003.

Professional Photo Headshot Opportunity: Nov. 17

UF Postdocs:

Do you need a professional headshot for your LinkedIn page or other professional profiles?

Professional headshots are just what you need to polish off your resume, LinkedIn profile, and more.

The undergraduate student club ASTRA is a service/leadership organization that is offering the chance to have your photo taken by our very own photographer, Abdullah Gazlan on November 17th from 5-7 pm in Stuzin 104.

Employers and recruiters will love the clean, professional headshots that show you to be the skillful, competent candidate that you are. The cost is 3\$ for ASTRA members, and 5\$ for non-members. Proceeds will go to the club's charity, Ronald McDonald House.

Come dressed to impress, and your photos will be e-mailed to you promptly after the meeting.

Please RSVP here if you will be attending the event:

https://www.facebook.com/events/1723872554503518/?ref_newsfeed_story_type=regular&source=1

All proceeds from this charitable fundraiser will go towards Ronald McDonald House charities (<http://rmhcncf.org/>)

More information about the ASTRA Club here:

ASTRA e-mail: astraatuf@gmail.com

ASTRA Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2201029375/>

ASTRA Twitter Page: <https://twitter.com/ASTRAatUF>

ASTRA Gatorconnect:

<https://ufl.collegiatelink.net/organization/astra/about>

Submitted by the UF ASTRA Club and the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Postdoc Mentoring Awards 2014-15: Deadline November 30

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to announce the continuation of the Postdoctoral Mentoring Awards for outstanding mentors of UF postdocs. The mentoring awards were established to encourage and reward excellence, innovation and effectiveness in the mentoring of UF postdocs.

Information about past winners and the application for the 2015 award are available on the postdoc Website: postdoc.aa.ufl.edu/mentoring-awards

Please encourage your outstanding mentors to apply for this award.

*If you wish to nominate an outstanding faculty mentor for this award, please contact **Kim Pace** (kpace@aa.ufl.edu) with the faculty member's contact information. I will send an email to encourage them to apply for the award.*

Deadline for application is November 30, 2014.

Submitted by Kim Pace in the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Building Robust Graduate and Research Programs for the Future

The University of Florida Office of the Provost and the Bob Graham Center for Public Service will host a conference on Building Robust Graduate and Research Programs for the Future, beginning on Thursday, Dec. 11 at 6 p.m. through Friday, Dec. 12 at 3:00 p.m. at UF's University Auditorium.

The program will focus on how large public research universities can serve as an engine for economic development and why the investment in graduate education and research is critical to the nation's future.

The conference will also examine the inherent value of graduate education on a global society. Attendees will participate in a broad-based discussion on strategies for the future; specifically, the steps UF should pursue to become a national and international leader in graduate education and research. [Learn more.](#)

In appreciation of faculty participation, three faculty names will be drawn by the Provost at the end of the conference to receive a \$1000 award for use in support of graduate students or faculty research.

Register here: <https://future-graduate-education.eventbrite.com>

Submitted by the Office of the Provost

Empowering Women In Tech Startups Spring Session Open for Applications

Consider yourself invited to what could be one of the most empowering programs of your life: the Spring session of the [Empowering Women in Tech Startups \(eWiTS\)](#) program. This experiential learning program provides women with entrepreneurial skills and builds confidence. If you already know you'd like to apply, [fill out an application here](#).

Learn more at an information session from 3 pm to 5 pm at the Innovation Hub. Please register for just one of the three sessions to ensure we have adequate food and drink.

- [Nov. 18](#)
- [Dec. 11](#)
- [Jan. 13](#)

[eWiTS Information Flyer \(.pdf\)](#)

Submitted by Meghan Meyer, Office of Technology Licensing



Race and Diversity: Building Bridges, Overcoming Adversity, and Moving Forward. A discussion between major leaders and the community of Gainesville Florida

The Florida Society of the Social Sciences and the University of Florida Graduate School Presents:

*Mayor Ed Braddy

*UF Provost Joseph Glover

*Dr. Patricia Hilliard-Nunn

*Representative Clovis Watson, Jr.

*Director Amanda "Lady Reign" Carter, Magic 101.3

*Director NKwanda Jah, Cultural Arts Coalition

*Superintendent Owen Roberts

*GPD Police Chief Tony Jones

and others unite to discuss

**Race and Diversity
Building Bridges, Overcoming Adversity and Moving Forward**

A Think Tank and Seminar

November 13, 2014

Doors Open at 5:30pm

Community Leaders - Mayor Ed Braddy, Representative Clovis Watson, Jr., Superintendent Owen Roberts, Gainesville Police Chief Tony Jones, UF Provost Joseph Glover and others-have united in the name of diversity and unity in support of the African American and underrepresented citizens of Gainesville, Florida at a seminar/think tank event. This event will be held on Thursday, November 13th at 5:30pm EST at the UF Straughn IFAS Extension Professional Development Center: 2142 Shealy Dr., Gainesville, FL 32608\

This initiative, titled *Building Bridges, Overcoming Adversity, and Moving Forward*, is a pivotal night of entertainment, inspiration, and open discussion. It is free and open to public and complimentary refreshments will be served.

The doors will open at 5:30pm at the University of Florida's Straughn Center. The program is scheduled to last two hours. The first half of the program will be an informational session. The second half of the program will be a think tank session and open discussion for audience members to dialogue with the Mayor, Police Chief and other aforementioned distinguished participants. Please support this initiative via publicizing it through your networks.

[Press Release \(.pdf\)](#)

Submitted by Kayla Sutherland, Division of Graduate Student Affairs

Post-doctoral enrichment program for minority postdoctoral fellows offered by Burroughs Wellcome Fund

Due date: 1/15/2015

Funding: provides a total of \$60,000 over 3 years to support the career development activities for underrepresented minority postdoctoral fellows in a degree-granting institution (an institution includes its affiliated graduate and medical schools, hospitals and research institutions) in the United States or Canada whose training and professional development are guided by mentors committed to helping them advance to stellar careers in biomedical or medical research. The Burroughs Wellcome Fund states it is committed to funding the next generation of scientists and researchers, thus has an interest in advancing the careers of underrepresented minority postdoctoral fellows. Generally, up to 10 awards will be granted for enrichment activities annually. This grant is meant to supplement

the training of postdocs whose research activities are already supported. It is not a research grant.

Please let me know if I or my colleagues can assist with an application.

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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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