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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.

Reminder: Postdoc Mentoring Award Applications Due Nov. 30

Reminder that Postdoc Mentoring Award applications are due to the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs by November 30. Information about past winners and the 2015 application are available at: postdoc.aa.ufl.edu/mentoring-awards.

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Postdoc Workshop: Elevator Pitch for Scientists

An elevator pitch is a short presentation, usually less than two minutes, which allows you to introduce yourself to anyone. In this workshop you will learn why an elevator pitch is important, practical and useful for your professional career. Then, we will cover the structure and variations of the pitch based on context (scientific conference, business meeting, formal vs informal). Finally, you will develop your own pitch and receive feedback on it. Most of the workshop time will be spent practicing your own pitch. By the end of the workshop you should be able to use the pitch in your next professional encounter.

Workshop: Monday, December 8, 11AM-1PM

Location: CGRC (Cancer & Genetics Research Complex) Room 451A

Light refreshments served

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Postdoc Social: December 8, 6pm

Postdoc Social at the [Top Restaurant](#) (30 North Main Street) at 6pm on Monday, December 8. Come out for fun and networking with other postdocs!

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New video explains what the Institutional Repository at UF is and how it benefits faculty and students

Explaining what an Institutional Repository (IR@UF) is and how it benefits faculty and students has long been a difficult task not only at the University of Florida, but at universities across the United States. The George A. Smathers Libraries have launched a new video and accompanying poster that explains in a graphical and humorous manner what the IR@UF is, what types of content can be uploaded, how to upload content and the benefits of placing materials in the IR@UF.

The \$5,000 project was funded by an internal library mini-grant awarded to Scholarly Communications Librarian Christine Fruin and a project team of library faculty and staff. After bids were received from four local designers, Sequential Arts Workshop (SAW) was chosen to conceive, write and illustrate the video and poster in collaboration with the project team. Justine Mara Andersen of SAW was the primary illustrator, designer and animator, with assistance from SAW Executive Director Tom Hart. UF theater students Nazeeh Tarsha and Angelique Rivera lent their vocal talents to the video.

Fruin explained, "A common reaction from non-library folk upon hearing the term 'institutional repository' is a glazed-eye confusion about what it even is and how it can be used. The term is so clinical and dry, as is often the attempt to describe it. I have often marveled at some of the creative messages, infographics and the like, that have been employed by libraries and other organizations in communicating technical, factual and even legal information. So I thought, 'hey, why can't we do that to get people interested in the IR?' SAW took our list of concepts and points of information and created an entertaining marketing device that I think will get the UF community interested in this wonderful resource we

offer them.”

Andersen said “I had no idea when we at SAW started work for the IR@UF that the end result would become one of the projects I am most proud of. It’s obvious to anyone who looks at the animation that it was a labor of love. A spirit of humor, beauty and full color fun runs through all 6 minutes and 40 seconds of the piece. So sit back and enjoy, and if it’s half as much fun to watch as it was to create, then we have all done our jobs. Oh...and if you manage to learn how valuable the IR@UF is while watching it...that’s groovy, too.”

The video can be viewed from the IR@UF: <http://ufdc.ufl.edu/AA00026849/00001>

The poster can be viewed here: <http://ufdc.ufl.edu/l/AA00027045/00001>

Submitted by Barbara Hood, George A. Smathers Libraries

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.

■ [Dec. 11](#)

■ [Jan. 13](#)

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

Submitted by Meghan Meyer, Office of Technology Licensing

ORAU Opportunity: Postdoctoral Position Open

ORAU is pleased to provide the information below regarding an opportunity available to all institutions. This notice is a service to ORAU Sponsoring and Associate Institutions. Please forward within your institution and broadly to colleagues as you feel appropriate.

ORAU is seeking a Postdoctoral Associate with an interest in big data and excellent communication skills. The position requires skills in analysis of large data sets, and will involve development of white papers and other communications, both for technical audiences and general scientific audiences. The key skill set is communication, both to technical and non-technical audiences, and writing samples are requested from potential candidates. The holder of the position would develop connections with the 114 ORAU member universities as well as expert staff at ORAU. The appointment can begin as early as December 15, 2014 and the current funding extends through September 30, 2015. There is potential for mutually agreeable extension. Applicants can express interest or apply through the ORAU online Career Center at <http://www.orau.org/careers/>.

Submitted by the Office of Research

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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