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Journal of Postdoctoral Research Postdoc of the Month

The Journal of Postdoctoral Research is excited to announce the creation of our new "Postdoc of the Month" award. Winners will be recognized in that month's issue, as well as being invited to submit a "Spotlight" article for publication, and being entered into consideration for "Postdoc of the Year." For more information about the award or the journal as a whole, please see the call for nominations at tinyurl.com/postdocaward or email the editor-in-chief, Stephan C. Jahn (a UF postdoc), at editor-in-chief@postdocjournal.com.

Submitted by Dr. Stephan Jahn, Medicinal Chemistry Postdoc

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Humanities and the Sunshine State: Exploring Florida's Past,

Present, and Future

A residential summer program for rising high school juniors and seniors

June 14 - 19, 2015, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Humanities and Sunshine State is a one-week residential academic program at the University of Florida for rising high school juniors and seniors interested in Florida history and culture. Participating students will get hands-on experience in the research topics and methods of the humanities disciplines, and discover what humanities research teaches us about contemporary Florida life, including cultural diversity and the changing demographic landscape, sustainability and food justice, the health of Florida springs and farms, and the role of institutions and sports in community-building. Participants will interact with expert faculty and graduate students from the University of Florida and Santa Fe College, and take part in a number of field trips to special collections, archives, and significant cultural and natural sites.

Motivated students interested in learning beyond their traditional high school classroom are encouraged to apply. All high school academic concentrations and career interests are welcome. The cost of this 6-day program is \$350, although several need-based scholarships are available. This program is a great opportunity for students to experience college life and learn about courses of study and career paths in the cultural industries. A few spots still remain. Last day to apply is May 25th.

This program is sponsored by a generous grant from the Florida Humanities Council (through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities) with additional funding from the Rothman Endowment of the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the University of Florida. Please circulate this announcement and the attached brochure widely.

For more information and to apply, see:

<http://www.cpet.ufl.edu/students/humanities/>

Submitted by Christy Rodkin, Center for Precollegiate Education and Training

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Opportunity from the FLDOH to support ONE postdoc to work on Alzheimer's

This is a preselection - the RFP is not due until June 12, 2015.

We have received an advance notice of funding opportunity from Florida Department of Health and even though the formal announcement is expected on/around June 12, 2015 we are initiating the internal coordination process to enable applicants to have sufficient time to prepare their applications.

The Florida Department of Health anticipates issuing a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) on or around June 12, 2015 for the Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program.

For this FOA, the Department is interested in funding research proposals in the following priority areas of Alzheimer's Disease:

- **Clinical/Diagnostic** applications that address innovative approaches to diagnosis and treatments, standardizing diagnosis, access to care, and clinical trial recruitment barriers.
- **Epidemiological** applications that address recruitment, biomarkers, assessment, and health disparities in particular communities.
- **Behavioral/Social** applications that address non - pharmacologic interventions, caregiver education and support, dementia - friendly communities, strategies for planning ahead regarding health changes, and end - of - life care.
- **Basic and Translational** applications that address discovery and validation of a broad spectrum of potential therapeutic targets or novel therapeutic strategies, novel insights into the pathophysiology of Alzheimer's disease and identity of novel biomarkers.

The Department anticipates making awards from the following types of grant categories:

- **Consortium Grant:** Research organizations are eligible to apply as the lead organization for one consortium grant that addresses one of the research areas. Maximum award amount will be up to \$500,000 and the maximum duration will be up to 5 years.
- **Standard Grant:** Research organizations are eligible to apply for four standard grants that address the research areas listed above. Organizations are not eligible to submit more than two applications within the same research priority. Maximum award amount will be up to \$250,000 and the maximum duration will be up to 3 years.
- **Pilot Grant:** Research organizations are eligible to apply for two pilot grants that address one of the research areas. The research areas must be different if the organization is submitting two applications. Maximum award amount will be up to \$100,000 and the maximum duration will be up to 2 years.
- **Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Grant:** Research organizations are eligible to apply for one postdoctoral research fellowship grant that will provide patient - oriented focus. Maximum award amount will be up to \$100,000 and the maximum duration will be up to 2 years.

Important Deadlines:

- Funding Opportunity Announced: Anticipated on or around June 12, 2015
- Letter of Intent Due: Anticipated on or around July 10, 2015
- Applications due: Anticipated on or around August 7, 2015
- Award Announcements: Anticipated on or around December 18, 2015
- Grant Start: Anticipated on or around February 2, 2016

UF may submit one consortium grant, four standard grants (not more than two with the same research priority), two pilot grants (in different research areas), one postdoctoral research fellowship grant.

We would like interested applicants to submit a two page concept paper listing the Grant Category applied for, the Title of the project, Names of the PI and Co-PIs and including a one page description of proposed research, to

Dr. Thomas Pearson (tapearson@ufl.edu) with a copy to Dr. Jeevan Jyot (limitedprograms@research.ufl.edu) by May 14, 2015.

Submitted by Sobha Jaishankar, Office of Research

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Postdoc HR Issues:

Insurance and Benefits: If you have questions about benefits enrollment or eligibility, please contact UF's [Human Resource Services'](#) GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at benefits@ufl.edu or (352) 392-2477.

Employee Issues: If you are experiencing an issue with your supervisor that is not resolved in your department and need assistance or guidance, please contact Ms. Kim Baxley, Director of Employee Relations, in UF's [Human Resource Services](#). Ms. Baxley can be reached at 392-1072 or kczap@ufl.edu.

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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

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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 Cheryl Gater](#) to receive an invitation.

[More information.](#)

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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 Cheryl Gater (cgater@aa.ufl.edu) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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