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## Research and Study in Germany: How to Apply for Funding from the DAAD

with Dr. Michael Schuering, Department of History

Wednesday, 7 October 2015 from 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Smathers Library (East) 104

All UF faculty, students, and staff interested in studying in Germany, doing research at German archives or sites, or specializing in German studies are

invited to participate in this interactive workshop about applying for funding from the DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst /German Academic Exchange Service). Participants will learn about the range of funding opportunities from the DAAD and how to craft a competitive grant or fellowship proposal to the DAAD. The DAAD offers a variety of grants and programs for scholars in any discipline and at any stage in their academic career or discipline – whether as an undergraduate student looking for an internship, graduate student in the sciences hoping to study in Germany, or a junior faculty member in the humanities who needs research funds to finish an article or book. Participants will also learn how to take an existing proposal and craft it to “hook” DAAD reviewers as well as receive suggestions to improve grant writing techniques more generally.

### What should you bring?

- Participants are not required, but are invited to bring a project idea or grant proposal that can be workshopped.
- Please bring a pen, pencil, or a suitable method of taking notes (including laptops).

### What will you get out of this?

- Valuable information about the DAAD and the funding opportunities and programs they offer.
- Valuable suggestions about how to “hook” DAAD proposal reviewers by reverse engineering a successful proposal.

### Biography:

**Michael Schuering** is DAAD Visiting Associate Professor of History at the University of Florida. Prior to coming to UF, Dr. Schuering, who holds a doctorate from Humboldt University (Berlin), taught as a visiting professor for five years at UC Berkeley. His first book, *Minervas verstoßene Kinder* (2006), looks at refugee scholars who were expelled from Nazi Germany. He recently completed an investigation of the role of West German Protestant churches in anti-nuclear-energy protests in the 1970s and 1980s. He teaches courses in German and European history, the history of science and technology, forced migration, and environmental history.

- This event is open to all UF faculty, students, and staff.
- It is not necessary to RSVP, but lunch and refreshments will be served to all who RSVP in advance. To secure your lunch, please RSVP with any dietary restrictions to [humanities-center@ufl.edu](mailto:humanities-center@ufl.edu).
- This event is part of the 2015-16 humanities grant-writing series organized by the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere with support from the CLAS Dean’s Office and the UF Office of Research.
- For more information, please contact the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere ([humanities-center@ufl.edu](mailto:humanities-center@ufl.edu)).

*Submitted by Tim Blanton, Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere*

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## CV and Résumé Postdoc Development Workshop

Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in Hough Hall, Room 240.

Craig Petrus, Director of Career Services at the Hough Graduate School of Business will provide guidance and best practices for successful CV/résumés. By the end of the workshop you should have meaningful updates to your CV/résumé, as well as ideas for your teaching statement.

Please sign up to attend by completing the sign-up form found online at [https://ufl.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_9mfCjMOHgBA69KJ](https://ufl.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_9mfCjMOHgBA69KJ).

Refreshments will be provided.

Please note: This is a rescheduling of the same workshop originally scheduled for October 19th!

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## Job Opportunities - University of Dayton

UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON

DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL AND AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

MECHANICAL AND AEROSPACE ENGINEERING FACULTY POSITIONS

Are you looking for a university which will enable your commitment to educating the next generation?

Are you excited about the opportunity to create and test experiential learning strategies?

Are you committed to growing participation of women and under-represented minorities in engineering?

Are you seeking to engage in research that makes a difference in the world?

If so, the University of Dayton Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering is interested in you and encourages your application to one of three tenure-track faculty positions at the assistant professor level. Candidates with expertise related to aerospace, materials, or dynamic systems and controls are particularly encouraged to apply.

All applicants must have a Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering or a related discipline at the start of contract, a record of research in the desired topical areas and strong communication skills. The successful candidate will have the potential for excellence in facilitating learning and for employing active learning approaches, the potential for excellence in teaching students from diverse backgrounds, the potential for excellence in student advising and mentoring, the potential to establish an externally-funded research program aligned with on-going efforts at the University of Dayton, the potential to become a recognized scholar in her/his field, a commitment to breadth of education including educating the whole

person in the Marianist tradition, and a commitment of service to the community, university and profession. For a complete list of qualifications please see the application link below.

The University of Dayton, founded in 1850 by the Society of Mary, is a top ten Catholic research university. The University seeks outstanding, diverse faculty and staff who value its mission and share its commitment to academic excellence in teaching, research and artistic creativity, the development of the whole person, and leadership and service in the local and global community. The University of Dayton received a National Science Foundation ADVANCE grant designed to promote the advancement and representation of women in STEM fields.

Further information about the University and the Department can be found at: [http://www.udayton.edu/engineering/mechanical\\_and\\_aerospace/](http://www.udayton.edu/engineering/mechanical_and_aerospace/). Interested persons should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, contact information for three references, and statements of 1) research program plans and 2) teaching interests and philosophy (limit of two pages each). For more information about the position, including closing date and to apply for the position, go to the following site: <http://jobs.udayton.edu/postings/18198>. Applications will be reviewed beginning October 15, 2015. The position will remain open until filled. To attain its Catholic and Marianist mission, the University is committed to the principles of diversity, inclusion and affirmative action and to equal opportunity policies and practices. As an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Employer we will not discriminate against minorities, females, protected veterans, individuals with disabilities, or on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

*Submitted by Allison Kinney, Former UF Postdoc*

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## 2015 Graduate Student Research Day - Judges Still Needed



Originally formed as a driving force of the UF Graduate School's formal NSF-funded Innovation through Institutional Integration (I-Cubed) Program, the Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC) helps prioritize students' interests and needs, as well as facilitate communication between graduate students, faculty, and administrators. Our vision for GSAC, in collaboration with Postdocs, is to continuously transform UF's graduate student experience. As part of this collaborative mission, GSAC and the Graduate School, in collaboration with the Office of Research and Office of the Provost, are proud to announce the

annual celebration of research with **Graduate Student Research Day (GSRD)** held on **October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015**. This annual event features research from *all graduate and undergraduate students* at the University of Florida as well as prominent speakers.

GSRD includes a competitive poster session, panel discussions and a keynote address by President Kent Fuchs. President Fuchs will talk about his vision to

establish UF as a national leader and a voice for higher education. The day-long event provides opportunities to graduate students (and undergraduate students participating in research) to refine their academic communication skills, learn from their peers and mentors, and network with people from across disciplines.

Success of GSRD can only be achieved through active participation of students, postdocs and faculty. Postdocs can contribute by utilizing their expertise for evaluating student posters. Therefore, GSAC is kindly asking for **Postdoc support in judging posters**. The poster sessions will occur between 9:45-11:45am & 1:45-3:45pm in the Grand Ballroom of the Reitz Union. Lunch will be provided after the poster competition.

For more information on Graduate Student Research Day and/or to sign up as a judge, please visit our website: <http://i3.institutes.ufl.edu/2015-graduate-student-research-day/>

We look forward to accomplishing this event through sustained communication and cooperation with Postdocs.

*Submitted by Ha Nguyen, Poster Committee Chair of the 2015 Graduate Student Research Day*

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## Postdoc Funding Opportunities

On the [Resources](#) page of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs website, we have created a Funding Opportunities page which lists all the different types of funding available to postdocs.

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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'](#) Benefits Office at [benefits@ufl.edu](mailto: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](mailto: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?>

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## Reminder: FREE Affiliate NPA Membership

If you would like to receive an 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](mailto:cgater@aa.ufl.edu)) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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