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Inauguration of President W. Kent Fuchs

Help celebrate the inauguration of W. Kent Fuchs, UF's 12th president, during [UF Inauguration Week](#), Nov. 28 - Dec. 4.

The week's highlights include a student-centered event, campus showcases and open houses, and the investiture ceremony and reception, just to name a few.

Download the GatorWay app for all of the details or visit inauguration.ufl.edu/.

Be sure to use #UFprez throughout the week when sharing any inauguration-related content on social media.

Submitted by the UF Inauguration Committee

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Deadline Approaching - Postdoc Mentoring Awards for Faculty

Deadline for application is November 30, 2015 for the Postdoctoral Mentoring Award for outstanding mentors of UF postdocs.

The mentoring awards were established to encourage and reward excellence, innovation, and effectiveness in mentoring UF postdocs.

Information about past award recipients and the application for the 2016 award are available on the [Postdoc Mentoring Awards Website](#).

If you wish to nominate an outstanding faculty member for the award, please contact [Cheryl Gater](#), Office of Postdoctoral Affairs Director, with the nominee's contact information.

Submitted by Cheryl Gater, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

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L'Oréal USA for Women In Science Fellowship: Application Opens November 30, 2015

The L'Oréal-UNESCO For Women in Science program recognizes and rewards the contributions women make in STEM fields and identifies exceptional women researchers committed to serving as role models for younger generations. More than 2,250 women scientists in over 110 countries have been recognized since the program began in 1998.

In the US, the For Women In Science fellowship program awards five post-doctoral women scientists annually with grants of \$60,000 each. Applicants are selected from a variety of fields, including the life and physical/material sciences, technology (including computer science), engineering, and mathematics.

Applications will open on November 30, 2015 and are due by February 5, 2016.

The application and more information about the L'Oréal USA For Women in Science program can be found at www.lorealusa.com/forwomeninscience.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please e-mail Rachel Pacifico at RPacifico@us.loreal.com.

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Writing for the Public: How to Do It and Why It's Important

with Sean Trainor, Santa Fe College

Friday, 11 December from 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Pugh 120

The Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere is excited to invite faculty, staff, and graduate students in the humanities to participate in our final workshop of 2015 - *Writing for the Public: How to Do It and Why It's Important*. This workshop, organized by Dr. Sean Trainor, will be held on **11 December, 2015 from 2:00 - 5:00 pm in Pugh Hall 120**. It is designed to teach participants how to effectively engage the public through their writing. For more information, please visit: <http://writingforthepublic.org/>

The first hour of the workshop will focus on general tips and strategies for effective public writing. The second hour will involve three different break-out sessions designed to serve individual and professional needs which will explore public writing as a supplement or alternative to traditional academic careers, effective strategies for establishing professional expertise to a wider audience, and best practices for mid-career or senior scholars who wish to intervene and contribute to public discourse. The final hour will involve participants either choosing to join a moderated discussion with a panel of six professionals, or the opportunity to workshop a piece of writing.

To register, please email the Humanities Center (humanities-center@ufl.edu). Please note any dietary restrictions since refreshments will be served and there will be a reception after the workshop. **Due to space restrictions, please register as soon as possible to guarantee yourself a spot in the workshop.**

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

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Multi University Perception Survey on Autonomous Vehicles

You are invited to participate in a multi-university research survey on emerging automotive and transportation technologies for improving travel safety, comfort, and mobility. These include autonomous vehicles (AVs), also called driverless cars or self-driving cars that can drive by themselves with little to no need of a human driver. To plan our transportation systems for embracing these technologies, it is important to assess the ways in which they might influence individual travel and overall traffic conditions.

It will take 15 minutes or less to complete the survey. Your participation is completely voluntary. However, your inputs are very important for the success of this study. Note that your responses will be confidential. In fact, we do not collect any information that could possibly identify you. This survey has been reviewed by Institutional Review Board (IRB).

Please click on the link below to take the survey.

https://usfcas.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_3ydPwFvyU7BIQMt

Your participation in this survey is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at siva@ce.ufl.edu or 352-294-7807

Submitted by Siva Srinivasan, UF Transportation Institute

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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 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 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) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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