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New Lactation Room in Library West



The George A. Smathers Libraries are happy to provide a lactation room to support UF families. Any University of Florida community member (faculty, student or employee) can use the Lactation Room. Please request the key to the room at the Library West Circulation Desk.

The Lactation Room (Room 252C) offers a comfortable, clean and secure private space for women who need to express breast milk while on campus. Mothers, fathers or other caregivers are encouraged to use the space to feed and comfort infants. The room is equipped with comfortable seating, a table, a sink and ample electrical outlets. Please note that breast pumps, storage and refrigeration are not offered, so please plan accordingly.

All Lactation Room users are expected to help maintain this unique campus space in the clean and welcoming condition in which they found it. A diaper changing table is also available in the adjacent Gender-Neutral/Family restroom.

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4th Annual Postdoc Research Symposium – April 13, 2016

April 13, 2016 – Emerson Alumni Hall

Deadline for Abstract Submission: Monday, February 29, 2016

Deadline for Participant Registration: Tuesday, March 15, 2016

[Click HERE to register!](#)

The goal of the University of Florida Postdoctoral Research Symposium is to promote the research of UF postdocs and to provide avenues for continued professional development as set outlined by the National Postdoctoral Association (NPA). [Communication Skills](#) and [Professionalism](#) are two of the six [Core Competencies](#) the NPA (National Postdoctoral Association) promotes as critical to postdoc success. Postdocs in both oral and poster presentations will be judged on how well they can convey their research to an educated lay audience.

Oral Presentation first place winner receives \$200. Oral Presentation second place winner receives \$100. The four winners for poster presentations - from four separate judging groups receive \$75 each.

UF Postdocs are invited to submit abstracts and elect either poster presentation or oral presentation. The top six abstract submissions will be selected by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) advisory committee for oral presentation. Oral presenters will be notified by March 15th of their selection. Those not selected for an oral presentation will be invited to participate in the poster session. Judging of both oral and poster presentation will take place the day of the event. Oral presenters are expected to prepare a 10 minute PowerPoint presentation with 5 additional minutes for questions. Posters presenters will be notified of board sizing prior to the event.

To submit your abstract and be considered for judging, please complete the *abstract submission form* (enter GatorLink User Name and Password when prompted) by *February 29, 2016*. The schedule for the event is included below. The OPA and the OPA advisory committee look forward to your presentations and thank you in advance for your participation!

Schedule:

- 1:30-2:00 p.m.: Check in and registration. Continental breakfast.
- 2:00 p.m.: Welcome
- 2:15-3:45 p.m.: Oral Presentations and Judging (10 minute presentation with 5 minutes for questions)
- 3:45-4:00 p.m.: Break
- 4:00-5:00 p.m.: Keynote Address by Dr. Janice Krieger
- 5:00-6:30 p.m.: Posters, drinks and social
- 6:30-7:00 p.m.: Awards Presentations

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Don't miss these unique opportunities to learn about the careers in the life sciences industry that leverage your unique scientific training and place you on a trajectory to leadership.

March 16, 12:00 - 12:00 p.m.-1:00pm EST (9am-10am PST)

Careers in the Life Science Industry

Steve Casper, Ph.D., Dean of the School of Applied Life Sciences

Keck Graduate Institute, Claremont, CA

Register Now: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/546303719542196226>

April 6, 12:00 - 12:00 p.m.-1:00pm EST (9am-10am PST)

Professional Development for Scientists: Tacit Knowledge and Current Events

James Sterling, Ph.D., Director of the Postdoctoral Professional Master's Program

Keck Graduate Institute, Claremont, CA

Register Now: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2121804926099112962>

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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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