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## Postdoc of the Month Awards

The Journal of Postdoctoral Research is a professional peer-reviewed multidisciplinary and cross-disciplinary Open Access international publication as a face of postdoctoral research. The Journal is now accepting applications for the "Postdoc of the Month" award for January 2017 and March 2017. Postdocs from all disciplines are eligible to apply. Deadline to submit for the January award is November 11, and the deadline to submit for the March award is December 22.

The award will highlight an outstanding postdoc in ANY field based on 3 primary criteria:

1. Publication record as a postdoc
2. Awards, fellowships, grants, and other recognitions (e.g. patents) received as a postdoc
3. Dedication to the betterment of the postdoc and/or scientific community

The awardees will have their research profile showcased in that month's issue of the Journal and will be invited to write a "Spotlight" article (review, original research, or methods paper) to be featured in the Journal of Postdoctoral Research. In addition, each Spotlight article will also have an Editorial highlighting the postdoc's work written by one of the Journal's editors.

All winners will be considered for the Postdoc of the Year Award, which comes with a \$500 travel award.

Please click [Postdoc of the Month Submission Requirements](#) for application instructions.

*Submitted by Ashley Fenn, Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Postdoctoral Research*

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## Postdoc Mentoring Awards 2016

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to announce the continuation of the Postdoctoral Mentoring Awards 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.

The deadline for application is **December 15, 2016**.

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## Making the Right Moves Research Management Seminar Series – November 4, 2016

Join [Marian Limacher](#), M.D., FACC, FAHA, Professor and Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development, College of Medicine, on Friday, November 4th as she discusses "University Structure & Planning for Tenure" from 12:00-1:00 p.m. in C1-11.

**REGISTER** to attend today!

*Submitted by Susan Gardner, CTSI*

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## Core Concepts in Biomanufacturing and Quality Systems: Applications of cGMPs

\*(Graduate Students and Postdocs Only)\*

Created in response to industry demand for employees who understand the practices and nuances of working in a regulated industry, this course provides future or current employees a comprehensive and applied understanding of how regulatory compliance is built into all aspects of a company. Using a blend of hands-on applications and lectures, course instructors integrate current Good Manufacturing Practices with core concepts of the manufacturing processes, facilities, quality systems, and documentation to build a solid understanding of the development, manufacture, testing, and release-for-sale of a regulated product.

This **two-day course** is designed to accommodate the busy schedule of students and postdocs. Please use the link below to register (**NOTE:** Registration is limited to 20)

**DATE:** December 2-3, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**REGISTRATION FEE:** \$250

<http://biotility.research.ufl.edu/ind-prof/core-concepts-in-biomanufacturing-and-quality-systems.html>

*Submitted by Joanne Lopez, CERHB*

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## The Ecology of a Corpse: Dead Bodies in American Environmental History

Ellen Stroud (Pennsylvania State University)

Thursday, 3 November, 5:30 pm, Smathers Library 100

Dead bodies have been health hazards, toxic waste, and compost for the garden, sometimes all at the same time. They have been obstacles to development, and major tourist draws; they have been both an integral part of nature and also entirely apart from it. Twentieth-century bodies and their accumulations of mercury, titanium, silicon, and plutonium, can be quite toxic, but even the early American dead had complicated relationships with their environments. In this talk, Ellen Stroud argues that understanding the history of American landscapes, environments, and ideas about nature requires spending time with bodies of the American dead.

This event is a part of the Humanities Center's speaker series, *Death: Confronting the Great Divide*. For an overview of the series, click [here](#).

- This event is free and open to the public.
- For more information, contact [humanities-center@ufl.edu](mailto:humanities-center@ufl.edu).

Series Funders and Co-Sponsors: [UF Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere](#) (Rothman Endowment), [UF Smathers Libraries](#), [UF Office of Research](#), [School of Art + Art History's Harn Eminent Scholar Lecture Series](#), [UF International Center](#), [UF College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#), [UF Department of History](#), [UF Department of Spanish and Portuguese Studies](#), [UF Center for Latin American Studies](#), [UF Department of Religion](#), [Alachua County Library District](#), [UF College of Veterinary Medicine](#), [UF Digital Worlds Institute](#), [UF Honors Program](#).

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**Addressing the Gap: Resources and Support for International Graduate Students in the Humanities and Social Sciences**

**Monday, 7 November 2016**

**12:00 - 1:30 pm, Marston Visualization Lab (L136)**

There is a growing gap between domestic and international students in the humanities and humanistic social sciences. The difference in available resources and institutional

support is often quite stark and the limited available resources are frequently not codified in a coherent fashion. But this situation is a result of poor communication as much as anything else. Resources exist, but may not be easily accessible; support is available, but not always utilized.

This informational workshop is an opportunity to address this gap in communication and highlight what resources and institutional support exist for international students in the humanities and the social sciences. Our presenters will focus primarily on external grants and fellowships for which international students are eligible. They will discuss the institutional challenges that one must navigate in order to avail oneself of these opportunities.

By the end of the workshop, participants will know what funding bodies support grants and fellowships for international students in the humanities and social sciences, will learn strategies for navigating the institutional challenges, and will get a better sense of what resources and contacts are available at UF to make life as an international student less challenging.

### **What will you get out of this?**

Information about which external funding bodies support grants and fellowships for international students in the humanities and social sciences.

Strategies for effectively navigating the institutional challenges after a successful proposal.

Information about resources available at UF to mitigate the challenges of international student life.

- **Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP by Friday, 4 November to [humanities-center@ufl.edu](mailto:humanities-center@ufl.edu) with dietary restrictions.**
- This event is open to all graduate students and faculty advisors in the humanities and humanistic social sciences. However, the information is particularly relevant to international students within these disciplines and their advisors.
- This event is part of the 2016-17 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 about this workshop including brief speaker bios, visit: <http://www.humanities.ufl.edu/calendar/20161107-International.html>.

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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?  
trk=myg\\_ugrp\\_ovr%20](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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