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Honors Program Teaching Opportunity

Have you ever wanted to teach a course around a single book? The UF Honors Program invites proposals for one-credit courses for the Spring 2018 semester which tackle one book in depth. Books may be from any genre — literary classics, contemporary works, nonfiction, graphic novels. Use your imagination and be daring!

Please submit one-page proposals describing your chosen book along with student assignments and expectations. These courses will meet one day per week for one period, so please keep that in mind as you decide on the output you expect from students. With input from students and faculty, the UF Honors Program will select up to thirty courses for the Spring 18 semester.

The Honors Program cannot offer additional salary for faculty who wish to teach such a course, but we will offer \$1000 in professional development funds (to be used for travel, etc.) to those faculty whose courses are selected.

Please submit proposals to the UF Honors Program Director, Dr. Mark Law, by e-mail at mlaw@honors.ufl.edu by Wednesday, September 20, 2017.

For more information, please contact: Dr. Mark E. Law, Director of the UF Honors Program, mlaw@honors.ufl.edu

Submitted by Mark Law, UF Honors Program

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"E-Learning @ UF" Training Now Available through Online Webinars

Faculty, instructors, TAs, and staff of any affiliation may now take UFIT's e-Learning @ UF training through online webinars. No parking hassles and no jacket required! Each webinar class is capped at 10 participants. There is no charge for these webinars or any other current UFIT training offerings.

The next "e-Learning @ UF" webinars are August 24th:

Build and Design: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Facilitate and Engage: 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Online learning can virtually remove geographic constraints. This type of strategic investment enables UF community members working at a distance or at an IFAS extension office who cannot easily commute to Main campus the opportunity to enhance their skills. As with all current UFIT training offerings, the e-Learning @ UF webinars are free to anyone with a valid GatorLink account.

Navigate to training.it.ufl.edu/training/items/e-learning-uf-series.html to register for either the *Build and Design* or *Facilitate and Engage* webinar-or both! If the August 24 date doesn't work for your schedule, or if you would like to discuss a custom training need, please contact Ashley Weser (abweser@ufl.edu), IT education and training program manager.

Submitted by Mar McCallister, UF Information Technology

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Making the Right Move Research Management Series - September 1

[Register now](#)

September 1 - 12:00-1:00 p.m. in C1-17 ([map](#))

"Mentoring & Being Mentored" - Charles E. Wood, Ph.D, Professor and Chair, Department of Physiology and Functional Genomics, College of Medicine

Submitted by Susan Gardner, CTSI

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New Postdoc Orientation Registration Now Open

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to announce that registration is now available for the 2017 New Postdoc Orientation on Monday, September 18, 2017. The orientation will be held at the Reitz Union in the Rion Ballroom. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a continental breakfast and conclude at 3:45 p.m. (lunch will be provided).

The orientation is not mandatory.

New Postdoc Orientation includes presentations from UF resource and VP offices such as UF Libraries, General Council, Office of Research, UF Information Technology, GatorCare Health Insurance, UF

Benefits, and International Postdoc Resources.

You must register in order to attend. Please go to https://ufl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6hCpsqPWZjVWScR to register to attend. The last day to register is Sunday, September 10th.

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UF Postdoc Editors Association

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is conducting a survey to measure interest for and feasibility to establish a postdoctoral editing group. The "UF Postdoctoral Editors Association" would be comprised of postdoctoral associates and fellows and sponsored by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs. This group will enhance scholarly communication by assisting postdoctoral authors with editing of written documents for language usage, punctuation, and organization. This service will be most advantageous to postdoctoral scholars for whom English is a second language, but the service will be open and free to all postdoctoral associates and fellows at the University of Florida. Our goal will be to facilitate postdoc-mentor interactions during the writing process by minimizing time spent on basic writing skills. Our volunteer editors would primarily review submissions for clarity of meaning; we would offer no or minimal scientific review of manuscripts because this content should reflect critical thinking of the postdoctoral scholar and their mentor(s).

Please complete this short survey to indicate interest or to volunteer:

https://ufl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bvVTbm72ZSslbf

Submitted by Joseph McQuail, Postdoc Development Workshop Chair

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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'](#) 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 Mr. Brook Mercier in Employee Relations in UF's [Human Resource Services](#). Mr. Mercier can be reached at 392-1072 or bmercier@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

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Reminder: FREE Affiliate NPA Membership

If you would like to receive an invitation 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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