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SBIR/STIR Workshop: Researchers: Tap into a New Source of Funding

Wednesday, February 20th – 9-5 PM. UF Innovation Hub 747 SW 2nd Ave. $50 Lunch included.

As it gets harder to find funding to move your innovation from the bench to the marketplace, small business grants and contracts are more important than ever. Help increase your competitive edge by joining us for our upcoming **SBIR (Small Business Innovation Research)/STTR (Small Business Technology Transfer)** workshop run by Jim Greenwood of Greenwood Consulting.

This is open to all researchers, postdocs, and inventors interested in securing funding to help develop your research for commercialization. The SBIR/STTR Proposal Preparation Workshop begins with an overview of the programs and then takes you through a simple but comprehensive four-step process for developing a credible and competitive Phase 1 (up to $150,000) proposal. The day concludes with an overview of Phase 2 of the programs, with tips for companies preparing Phase 2 (up to $1 million) proposals. The workshop will include an emphasis on NIH and NSF applications. SBIR is dedicated to fostering and encouraging participation in innovation and entrepreneurship by women and socially or economically disadvantaged persons.

Sponsored by the Collaboratory for Women Innovators. Questions? Contact Kathy Sohar ksfl@ufl.edu.

Register!

Submitted by Veronica Talavera, Collaboratory for Women Innovators

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Phenotype Prediction using Genomic Data

We are once again organizing the workshop on **Phenotype Prediction using Genomic Data** here at University of Florida.
The event will take place in the morning of January 25th, 2019. Registration is **free** with **free live streaming** for anyone out of campus who may be interested.

Many important traits in livestock, agriculture and human health have quantitative genetic inheritance. This workshop will present and discuss recent results and theoretical developments of statistical and machine learning models used to predict the phenotype of complex traits using genomic data. We invite you all to join a series of 4 seminars that will include results from humans, crops and livestock.

Find more information and register.

Submitted by Marcio Resende, IFAS

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Florida Museum of Natural History Events

UF Performing Arts to host National Geographic presentation on birds

The Florida Museum of Natural History and Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts present "National Geographic Live: Birds of Paradise" on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Phillips Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. "National Geographic Live" is a night of exploration through film, photography and discussion with acclaimed National Geographic photographers. Tim Laman, a renowned photographer and forest canopy researcher, and ornithologist Ed Scholes have embarked on more than 20 expeditions over the past 13 years documenting the birds of paradise, taking us deep into New Guinea to observe these astonishing avian creatures. Tickets are $25 for adults and $10 for children and University of Florida students. For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.performingarts.ufl.edu/events/national-geographic-live-birds-of-paradise or call 352-392-2787.

Florida Museum presents art collection about Gulf biodiversity Jan. 27

Art and science unite at the Florida Museum of Natural History Jan. 27 from 1-4 p.m. to show the biodiversity of the Gulf of Mexico and the effects of oil spills and other environmental challenges to the Gulf region. This portable, pop-up, hands-on collection invites viewers to explore a series of customized steamer trunks containing specimens, paintings, photos and sculptures curated, collected or created by artist Sean Miller and other participating artists and scientists. For more information, visit www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/drifting-cabinets or call 352-273-2062.

Submitted by Nikhil Srinivasan, Florida Museum of Natural History

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Passport to Great Teaching Event: Design and Facilitation of Online Discussions

Design and Facilitation of Online Discussions – Feb. 5, Presenter: Swapna Kumar

In this workshop we will a) focus on different types of online discussion activities for student-student and student-

content interaction B) discuss instructor facilitation and participation strategies for online discussion *forums* in online courses.

For more information and to register for these events visit the FDTE Categories and Activities webpage.

Submitted by Zaina Sheets, Office of Faculty Development and Teaching Excellence

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2019 Accomplishing Career Transitions (ACT) Program

Are you a Postdoc wanting to obtain a faculty position? Or Junior faculty wanting to obtain a tenure position? Then the ACT program is for you!

Application Deadline: March 29, 2019

The ACT program allows you to customize and individualize your professional development and training through a longitudinal framework. This framework will help you prepare and successfully transition into your chosen career path.

About the Program
ACT is a two-year, in-person and online, cohort-based professional development program for postdocs and assistant professors in the biological/biomedical sciences interested in transitioning into faculty and research roles. Participants must be an underrepresented minority (URM) in science or be at a primarily minority-serving institution (MSI). Participants will receive travel funds for designated ACT activities.

This program will enable you to:
1. Acquire new skills and strategies through interactive training, online sessions, peer mentoring, and participation in various practicums.
2. Receive funding and opportunities to practice your new skills though active career management and entrepreneurship practicums.
3. Expand and strengthen your support network through cohort-based, near-peer, and peer-mentoring.

In-person and online workshop sessions will address a range of topics from conflict management and effective teaching strategies to scientific publishing and career management. ACT has been designed to empower URM emerging scientists for successful transition in academic rank and career advancement.

Program Timeline and Key Events:

Spring 2019
Selection of 2019 Cohort
2019 ACT application deadline: March 28, 2019 by midnight (EST) and participant selection notifications sent by April 29, 2019.

Summer 2019
ACT Kickoff Workshop (June 24-27, 2019), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
In-person interactive training sessions will help you develop the skills needed to hit the ground running as you prepare to transition into faculty roles at academic institutions. The workshop will include opportunities for networking with ASCB committee members and leadership and time for you to begin designing your career and entrepreneurship practicums. Each participant will receive funds to execute practicum plans.

Fall 2019

ACT Programming at the 2019 ASCB/EMBO Meeting
• Present and receive feedback on your practicum plans
• Network with the ACT/ASCB community
• Additional skills training

Spring and Summer 2020
1. Practicum Execution
• Implement practicum plans
• Report progress to the ACT/ASCB community

2. Two 90-minute Webinars
Interact with the ACT/ASCB community and receive further skills training.

3. Open Call for Proposals for Science Outreach Funding
Apply for funding to execute a science outreach project of your choice. (Optional)

Fall 2020
ACT Programming at the 2020 ASCB/EMBO Meeting
• Present your practicum results and outcomes
• Network with the ACT/ASCB community
• If applicable, receive feedback on your science outreach proposal

Spring 2021
1. Two 90-minute Webinars
Interact with the ACT/ASCB community and receive further skills training and present and receive feedback on your practicum plans.

2. Execution of Science Outreach Grant Projects
If applicable, execute and assess your funded outreach project.

Questions? Please email Ashanti Edwards at aedwards@ascb.org

Find out more and Apply!

Submitted by Ashanti Edwards, ASCB

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Reminders

Postdoc Editors Association – Accepting New Volunteer Editors

Now accepting new volunteer editors for the 2018-2019 Academic Year!

The University of Florida's Postdoctoral Editors Association (UF-PEA) is an editing service that helps postdocs who seek to improve English grammar and writing style. The UF-PEA is comprised of postdoc volunteers from multiple colleges across the University who offer preliminary review of manuscripts, grant applications, posters, slides and other scholarly presentations. While this service will be most useful to postdocs who speak English as a second language, the service is free and open to all postdocs at UF. Our editors provide feedback on structure and style of writing, but refrain from commenting on scholarship which is best honed by interactions between the postdoc and their mentor. UF-PEA facilitates higher level postdoc-mentor interactions by reducing time spent on basic writing

needs.

Find out more, volunteer to edit, or submit a document for review at our website!

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Submit Postdoc Awards & Honors Announcements

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs wants to promote your achievements. Please send notification of postdoc awards and achievements to Lily Lewis or submit a Postdoctoral Achievements Submission Form. Postdoc Award announcements will be included in the weekly UF Postdoctoral Update Newsletter and Awards and other Achievements (such as publications) will be featured on the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs website.

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Submit your UF Postdoc Profile

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is in the process of updating our website and we want to highlight our current postdocs. We invite you to submit content for your profile and let us help you enhance your online professional presence. The online submission form can be found here and current profiles can be viewed here. Note that a professional style profile picture is required. If you do not have a photo, contact Lily Lewis to schedule your photo shoot prior to submitting your profile. Please feel free to contact Lily Lewis if you have any comments or questions about the submission form or would like assistance crafting your content.

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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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University of Florida Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn

Join this Facebook group for University of Florida postdocs as well as the LinkedIn group.

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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 Lily Lewis to receive an invitation.

More information.

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FREE NCFDD Membership

The National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity (NCFDD) provide a variety of virtual programs and resources including:

- Weekly **Monday Motivator**
- Monthly **Core Curriculum Webinars**
- Monthly **Guest Expert Webinars**
- Access to **Multi-Week Courses**
- Access to **Dissertation Success Curriculum** for graduate students
- Private **Discussion Forum** for peer-mentoring, problem-solving, & moderated writing challenges
- Monthly accountability buddy matches
- Access to **14-Day Writing Challenges**
- Access to the **Member Library** that includes past webinar materials, referrals, and readings

To claim your **free** access to our Institutional Membership, complete the following steps:

1) Go to http://www.facultydiversity.org/join

2) Choose your institution from the drop-down menu.

3) Select "Activate my Membership"

4) Complete the registration form using your institutional email address (i.e. @ufl.edu)

5) Go to your institution email to find a confirmation/welcome email. Click "Activate Account" in the email.

If you have any questions about the membership, please contact: Antonio Farias via email at antoniofarias@ufl.edu or by phone at (352) 392-6917. If you have any technical questions, please email NCFDD at Membership@FacultyDiversity.org.

Submitted by Chris Hass, Office of the Provost

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