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Airbnb Banned for Official State and UF Business Travel

On January 15, 2019, Florida's Governor issued this letter to discontinue reimbursement to employees and contractors on official state business for Airbnb services. As a result, UF is making the following changes to its current directives and procedures.

Effective January 22nd 2019, Airbnb services should no longer be used by anyone on official University of Florida

travel. Reimbursements will be allowed for travel that contains Airbnb services where the travel began prior to January 22, 2019. This requirement is applicable to Pcard purchases as well. Please cancel all official university business travel reservations that utilize Airbnb services and make other arrangements.

View the complete administrative memo.

Sign up to receive UF administrative memos.

If you have any questions, please contact the Travel Office at 392-392-1241.

Submitted by Joseph Glover, Office of the Provost

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Workshop Series: Building Your Career - Spring 2019

Getting Published: Navigating the Peer Review Process (Feb. 6). This workshop provides an "authors-eye view" of the peer review process. Covered topics include selecting appropriate journals, understanding editors' goals, formatting your manuscript, responding to reviews, and more. Dr. David Schwieder, Political Science Librarian.

Getting Hired: Navigating the Academic Job Market (Feb. 13). This workshop provides a brief introduction and discussion about approaching the academic job market and application process in the last year of graduate school. Dr. Megan Daly, Classics, Philosophy, and Religion Librarian.

Getting Known: Developing a Web Presence (Feb. 20). This workshop provides an overview of how to create and maintain a professional web presence by using personal websites, digital projects, and social media platforms like Twitter or Facebook. Dr. Hélène Huet, European Studies Librarian.

Getting (Mildly) Famous: Broadcasting Your Expertise (Feb. 27). This workshop provides tips on how to pitch an op-ed and start a podcast: two tried-and-true techniques for making anonymous postdocs into publicly-recognized experts in their fields. Dr. Sean Trainor, Lecturer, Management Communication Center.

All sessions are Period 4 10:40-11:30 a.m.

Room 212 Library West (Scott Nygren Studio)

No registration required

All UF Postdocs, Graduate and Professional Students Are Welcome

Submitted by Barbara Hood, George A. Smathers Libraries

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Workshop: Who is Getting Hired and How to Be That Person

Featuring Dr. James Estrada, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

L007 Turlington Hall

UF Campus

Dr. James Estrada is faculty in the Agronomy Department and the Director of Academic Programs for the UF Center of Stress Resilient Agriculture (CSRA). James has extensive experience coordinating professional development activities for graduate students and will focus his talk on industry-identified skills that are essential for a successful transition to non-academic positions. Additionally, James will highlight key differences between academic and industry skillsets and how to best prepare yourself for a competitive job market. Dr. Estrada also runs the Accelerate to Industry program at UF. This innovative symposium features workshops, panel discussions, presentations, and networking events, all focused on preparing you for a career in industry!

To register for this workshop: Click on this link: GIMS (Graduate Information Management System).

Log in with your GatorLink ID and password.

Click box for workshop under "Register."

Click "Submit"

After you complete this process, you will get a confirmation email.

View the complete online schedule of our Spring 2019 Professional Development Series: Spring 2019 Professional Development Series.

Questions? Please email Dr. Talline Martins, Director of the Office of Graduate Professional Development, at tmartins@ufl.edu.

Submitted by Talline Martins, Graduate School

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Research Computing Trainings

Jan 31st, 10:40-11:30: HiPerGator: SLURM Submission Scripts. Please register here.

Feb 7th, 10:40-11:30: HiPerGator: SLURM Scripts for MPI Jobs. Please register here.

Feb 14th, 10:40-11:30: Running Graphical Applications on HiPerGator with Xpra. Please register here.

Feb 21st, 10:40-11:30: Running MATLAB on HiPerGator. Please register here.

Feb 28th, 10:40-11:30: Galaxy and NGS Sequence Analysis. Please register here.

March 7th, 10:40-11:30: Git and github.com. Please register here.

March 14th, 10:40-11:30: Jupyter Lab & Jupyter Notebooks for R, Python and more. Please register here.

March 21st, 10:40-11:30: Rmpi and parallel R analyses. Please register here.

Please contact Matt Gitzendanner (magitz@ufl.edu) with questions or to request training on specific topics.

Submitted by Matt Gitzendanner, Research Computing

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Craig H. Neilsen Foundation - Psychosocial Research Grants - LOI due 3/25/2019

Please note that all projects that have research-related deliverables and associated compliance must be entered into the UFIRST system, so that they may be accurately tracked and monitored by the Division of Sponsored Programs.

Psychosocial Research Grants – LOI DEADLINE: 03/25/2019

The Psychosocial Research (PSR) portfolio supports research that addresses the interrelation of behavior, social, psychological and other quality of life factors that will benefit people living with spinal cord injury. The goal of the portfolio is to develop sound data to inform and disseminate best practices that produce better outcomes, including quality of life, for people living with spinal cord injury and their loved ones. Areas of interest include: aging, caregiving, employment, health behaviors and fitness, independent living, self-management and technology access.

There are three funding categories in the PSR Portfolio:

Postdoctoral Fellowships

Amount: Funding for Fellowships is $75,000 per year, for up to two years; $150,000 total costs; No IDCs

Two-year Postdoctoral Fellowships encourage early-career mentored training to increase professional interest in the field and to encourage researchers from related health disciplines to undertake training in psychosocial research focused on spinal cord injury.

Pilot Grants

Amount: Funding for PSR Pilot grants is for up to two years, $200,000 total costs; 10% IDC

Two-year Pilot Grants support psychosocial research projects that lay the groundwork to inform future studies, that test the feasibility of novel methods, and/or that collect new data that can enhance larger scale studies.

Studies and Demonstration Projects

Amount: Funding for PSR Study and Demonstration Projects is for up to three years, $400,000 total costs; 10% IDC

Three-year Studies and Demonstration Projects encourage innovative and substantive studies that fill important gaps in the spinal cord injury field, that open new areas of psychosocial research, and/or that develop and evaluate interventions to address psychosocial issues after spinal cord injury.

For more information, visit: http://chnfoundation.org/psychosocial-research/ and http://chnfoundation.org/how-to-apply/

Submitted by Margaret Friend, Corporate and Foundation Relations

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Circle of Hope for Cancer Research - Young Investigator Research Grant ($10k) - LOI due 2/22/2019

Circle of Hope for Cancer Research – LOI Deadline: Feb. 22, 2019

Circle of Hope for Cancer Research is once again awarding $10,000 research grants to two young investigators at Florida Medical Schools who are pursuing careers in cancer research. PhD students and postdoctoral fellows are eligible to apply.

To request the application forms, contact me at frienm@shands.ufl.edu.

Submitted by Margaret Friend, Corporate and Foundation Relations

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Passport to Great Teaching Events

Time-Saving Tips for your UF+QM or Exemplary Online Award Self-Review – Feb. 4, Presenter: Alexandra Bitton-Bailey

> Do you teach online courses? Are you interested in applying for the new Exemplary Online Award or would you just like some useful feedback on your online courses?
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> This workshop will walk you through some time-saving strategies for completing your self-review. In this workshop you will:
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> - Learn about the UF+QM rubric and process
> - Explore and start a course map
> - Begin your self-review in ProposalSpace
> - Get helpful tips on completing a self-review.

Now Hear This – Feb. 12, Presenter: Sarah Hanson

> Did you know that as much as 40% of the average workday is spent listening to others? That's close to half of your day! Isn't it time, therefore, to stop and make sure you're using your time to its greatest advantage? Take a few moments and ask yourself: Are you an effective listener? How often do you assess your listening skills? Could you improve? That's where "Now Hear This" can help. In this workshop, we'll:
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> - Define "listening" and how it impacts your work.
> - Recognize and deal with the barriers between listener and speaker.
> - Practice good listening techniques and identify ways to make them work for you.
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> Effective communication does not happen by chance; it requires practice and good technique.

Flipping Your Classroom with Team-Based Learning (TBL)– Feb. 15, Presenter: Michelle Farland

Imagine a room full of students who studied BEFORE class and stay engaged the ENTIRE class and the exam is weeks away. Many instructors think this is only possible in our dreams, but the use of team-based learning (TBL) can help make it a reality. TBL is a process that allows students to develop skills in self-directed learning, holds them accountable to learning these concepts, and creates a safe learning environment to explore application of class content. During the process, students also strengthen communication and teamwork skills. This workshop will introduce you to the basic components of TBL and identify critical elements that keep students engaged. The workshop will be interactive and will model the TBL process. Prior to attending the workshop there is a 4-page summary of TBL to review.

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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Performing Arts Events

The Band of Heathens

Thursday, February 7, 7 pm & 9 pm

UpStage at the Phillips Center

Tickets and More Info.

Led by Texas songwriters Colin Brooks, Gordy Quist, and Ed Jurdi, this band fuses Lone Star blues, rock, and soul sounds.

Duende means, “a quality of passion and inspiration.” It’s also the title of The Band of Heathens’ fifth studio album. The title was chosen to emphasize the group’s collective search for connection and communion in a technology-fueled world increasingly splintered, distracted, and lonely.

Alexi Kenney, violin

Sunday, February 10, 7:30pm

Squitieri Studio Theatre

Tickets and More Info.

His win at the 2013 Concert Artists Guild Competition at the age of 19 led to a critically acclaimed Carnegie Hall debut at Weill Recital Hall. Since then, Alexi Kenney has been making quite a name for himself.

The recipient of a 2016 Avery Fisher Career Grant, Alexi holds a Bachelor of Music and Artist Diploma from the New England Conservatory in Boston.

Submitted Samuel McKee, Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

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UF Data Science and Informatics Workshops

The UF Informatics student group, DSI, conducts weekly evening workshops to teach/train the UF community in the various data science languages (R, Python). The workshops increase in difficulty throughout the semester. These workshops are free and open to faculty, postdocs, grad students and undergrads.

Upcoming workshops:

- **January 30th, 6:30pm:**
    - R0: This introduction to R workshop is aimed at those who are interested in R and may not have any experience using the language. We will be covering basic functions related to data structures and data types. We will also work through importing a data set and completing some basic manipulations.
- **February 4th, 6:30pm:** Python 1
- **February 5th, 6:30pm:** R0

Google Calendar: Want reminders of DSI's events on your google calendar? Add DSI's events and keep up to date.

DataGator: A myDataStory Contest: The DataGator competition is a great way for undergraduates at the University of Florida to develop a data science portfolio that highlights their skills to potential employers. The top 3 winners will be awarded cash prizes of up to $150. The deadline is March 15th. For more information, click here.

Submitted by Flora Marynak, Informatics Institute

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Florida Museum of Natural History Events

Discover Florida Museum volunteer opportunities Feb. 6

The Florida Museum of Natural History is holding an orientation for adults interested in learning more about volunteering Feb. 6 from 3 to 5 p.m. The program is designed to help participants identify the best match for their interests and abilities. Volunteers serve as exhibit guides to school groups and other museum visitors or work in the collections and research departments. Pre-registration is required, and volunteers must be 18 years or older. For more information, visit http://www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/volunteers or call 352-273-2055.

Join the Florida Museum for 'An Epoch Night at the Museum' Feb. 9

Join the Florida Museum of Natural History on Feb. 9 from 7:30 to 11 p.m. and experience the exhibits like never before! Sample crickets and other insects at the Tasting Station Infestation and dance to tunes spun by DJ Elio. Enjoy a fabulous evening of dinner, entertainment and dancing. Proceeds from the gala support museum educational initiatives with an emphasis on outreach to underserved communities. For more information, to purchase tickets or make a donation, visit www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/epochparty or call 352-273-2047.

Submitted by Nikhil Srinivasan, Florida Museum of Natural History

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UFII Student Data Analysis Seminar Workshops

The UFII Student Data Analysis Seminar (SDAS) organizers would like to invite you to the first SDAS social of the Spring 2019 semester. Students, postdocs, and faculty interested in applications and theory of data science, machine learning, bioinformatics, and related topics are invited to attend an hour of casual conversation, food, and drinks. Our goal is to provide a venue for people in various departments to meet and learn about each other's work in this exciting field.

To see upcoming presentations or for more information, visit our website

Register

Thursday, January 31, 2019

1:55 PM – 3:00 PM

UF Informatics Institute

Rm E251 Computer Science and Engineering Bldg (CSE)

432 Newell Road

Gainesville, FL 32611

Submitted by Flora Marynak, Informatics Institute

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UC Davis Announces Large Cluster hire to Increase Faculty Diversity – View the Summary of Positions

As part of a campus-wide initiative to hire leading research faculty with a strong commitment to teaching, research and service that will promote the success of underrepresented minority students (African-American, Latino (a)/Chicano (a)/Hispanic, and Native American) and address the needs of our increasingly diverse state, UC Davis announces the following positions:

- Assistant Professor in Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - Apply by 2/18/2019
- Assistant Professor in Quantitative Biological Sciences - Apply by 2/28/2019
- Open Rank Faculty Position in the College of Engineering - Apply by 2/18/2019
- Assistant/Associate Professor in Business - Graduate School of Management - Apply by 2/18/2019
- Open Rank Faculty Position in the School of Education - Apply by 2/18/2019
- Open Rank Faculty Position in the School of Law – Apply by 2/10/2019
- Open Rank Faculty Position in Medicine, Medical Sciences, and Public Health in the School of Medicine – Apply by 2/22/2019
- Assistant/Associate Professor Position in Veterinary Medical Health Outcomes - Apply by 2/18/2019

Application Requirements

We strongly recommend that all candidates visit our website dedicated to this search for additional information about how their application materials, including their Statement of Contributions to Diversity, will be used by the Search Committee in our screening and review process. The link is: https://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/advancing-faculty-diversity-pilot-project.

Application packages should be submitted online through https://recruit.ucdavis.edu/apply/

For full details please visit the links included above, or download the UC Davis Cluster Hire Full Details.

Submitted by Talline Martins, Graduate School

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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!

Submitted by Harneet Arora, Postdoc Editors Association Editor-in-Chief

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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.

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

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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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