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UF Postdoc Seminar Series – Tomorrow!

February 13, 2019

Noon – 1:15pm

Nanoscale Research Facility, room 115 (1041 Center Drive)

Need directions? Check out the UF Campus Map (search "Nanoscale").

Bring you lunch

Network

Hear updates from the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Featuring presentations by UF Postdocs

Help your peers by providing constructive feedback on presentations

Presenter:

Ana C. Bohórquez, PhD

Nanoscale Research Facility (NRF)

Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering

The Impact of Mindfulness on Leadership Effectiveness and Organizational Citizenship Behavior (45 min - interactive!)

There is an increasing interest in employing mindfulness practices in a wide variety of scenarios, ranging from business, entrepreneurship & innovation, government and higher education. Mindfulness is the movement from autopilot to aware, the foundation of emotional intelligence. Experts in neuroscience, mindfulness and emotional intelligence have suggested that mindfulness can be trained. Simple tools such as mindful listening and focused attention can increase our self-awareness, personal connection, and engagement at work. Moreover, mindfulness and authentic leadership have been positively correlated with organizational citizenship behavior. In this talk, I will discuss the science behind mindfulness and core values. Then, I will present a few examples of mindfulness in leadership, creative flow, stress management, and behavioral citizenship. Finally, I will share mindfulness exercises that can be used daily and could help to manage change, stay resilient, and inspire growth.

This lunch-time seminar series will take place the 2nd Wednesday of each month from noon – 1:15pm. The seminar will feature presentations from UF Postdocs, time to network with peers, and updates on campus resources from the Office of Postdoc Affairs. Note that the location will change each month based on the preference of the presenting postdoc.

Do you have an important presentation coming up? Sign up to give a practice presentation at the UF Postdoc Seminar Series.

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UF Postdoc Editors Association Interest Survey

The Postdoc Editors Association wants to know how to better serve you. Please fill out this brief survey to help guide the future development of the PEA.

To learn more about the PEA, visit our webpage.

Submitted by Maha Elbadry, Postdoc Editors Association

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The Smithsonian Institution and Conservation International Postdoctoral Fellowship Program

We are partnering with Conservation International to offer this 2-year postdoctoral opportunity. This fellowship will support the Smithsonian Conservation Commons' Working Land and Seascape initiative and Conservation International's Sustainable Landscapes and Seascapes program.

Proposals should address one of the following themes

- Connect ecological data/conservation action to supporting biodiversity and human well-being.
- Establish common language, methods and framework to replicate work across land and seascapes, and among the conservation community and land/seascape managers.
- Assessment of all current data (internal and from external resources including social/economic) to assess the effectiveness of programs to ensure we are including the most important variables and using he most effective approaches for meeting shared objectives.

The Smithsonian and Conservation International are embarking on a partnership to leverage the resources of both institutions to tackle landscape and seascape scale conservation challenges. With a rapidly changing global environment, it is imperative that we develop science-based solutions to address the biodiversity loss and climate change that is impacting the landscapes and seascapes upon which we depend for our livelihoods. We are looking for a fellow to help us advance this ambitious partnership; an individual that can bring together science, conservation and action to identify what's working in conservation. We are seeking someone to innovate new methods to expedite the implementation of solutions, and develop metrics that allow us to measure impact and demonstrate the value of conservation to people and nature, allowing for economic and ecological prosperity. Full application guidelines can be found via the link below.

Smithsonian-Conservation International Fellowship

Brief concept notes should be submitted to WLS@si.edu no later than March 4th

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Office of Off Campus Life - 4th annual I Love GNV Campaign

Off Campus Life (OCL) is having its 4th annual I Love GNV (Gainesville) campaign the week of Valentine's Day (February 11th – 15th). The purpose of the campaign is for faculty, staff and students to share what they love about Gainesville and why this is a great city to live and learn. Faculty, staff and students that participate in this campaign will get a **FREE** t-shirt. All you need to do is take a fun picture of a place you love in Gainesville and post it on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter. Please tag @UFOffCampusLife and use the hashtag #Ilovegnv. The picture can be of a restaurant, favorite store, something in nature, or simply something you love about Gainesville. In order for faculty, staff and students to get their free t-shirt, they will go to the OCL office located at 1304 Diamond Road (inside the UF Housing Office) and show their post to an OCL staff member. Let's share what we love about Gainesville!

Submitted by Nora Kilroy, Off Campus Life

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Upcoming Conference: "Promise & Problems in Emerging Technology: Shaping the Societal Impact of Artificial Intelligence," Feb. 28th & March 1st 2019

Join us in person or via livestream on February 28 and March 1 for the conference Promise and Problems in Emerging Technology: Shaping the Societal Impact of Artificial Intelligence. Machine learning and artificial intelligence have emerged as indispensable tools in virtually every major institution. Whether they are blocking social media posts or targeting advertisements, algorithms increasingly decide what content internet users see. In law enforcement, programs are predicting when and where crime will occur and which offenders are most likely to strike again. In medicine, algorithms can diagnose patients more accurately than physicians with years of experience. These emerging applications of AI presage a world where a great deal of previously human decision-making is outsourced to intelligent machines. As the role of artificial intelligence applications in government and industry grows, it is imperative to address the social and ethical implications of these applications. This inaugural meeting of the conference Promise and Problems in Emerging Technology (PPET) seeks to address these challenges by bringing together international and regional experts investigating the social and ethical dimensions of artificial intelligence applications. This conference focuses on five core domains being transformed by AI: transportation; medicine; philosophy and science of the mind; criminal justice; and media.

Conference sessions will take place in the Reitz Union Chamber, located on the ground floor of Reitz Union.

The conference is free and open to the public. However, due to limited space, all participants must register for the event. Admission is on a first come, first served basis.

More information, including the conference program and registration details, is available on the conference web site.

Hosted by the UF Department of Philosophy. Co-sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Frederic G. Levin College of Law, and the Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering.

Submitted by John Palmer, Department of Philosophy

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What do you think of UF's leave programs? Join the conversation

As the University of Florida seeks its place among the top public universities in the nation, UF Human Resources is committed to offering benefits programs that are competitive, valuable and meet the needs of our university community.

This spring, UFHR is exploring opportunities to modernize what paid time off looks like for faculty and staff at UF — and we want to hear from you.

UF provides a variety of leave programs based on an employee's salary plan, including vacation, sick leave, holidays, personal leave days and family medical leave. The scope of this project's focus is on vacation and sick leave, parental/medical leave and FMLA.

We hope you will take a few minutes to provide your insight on what works well and what we could do better in regards to paid time off at UF. To share your thoughts and ideas, please complete the feedback form found here: https://ufl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5u3FTcAZ04AIAdL

If you have questions or additional comments, please email HRInitiatives@hr.ufl.edu.

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Business of Biotech 13th Annual Conference – Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa FL, Feb. 22nd

Join Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa on February 22nd for a **free** conference. Business of Biotech is a signature event that attracts 400 biotech executives, entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, angel investors and researchers from across the U.S. and is a unique opportunity to meet and collaborate with the innovators of our age.

Friday, February 22, 2019

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM EST

3:30-4:30 Cell Therapy Tours (Limited Availability)

Moffitt Cancer Center-Vincent A. Stabile Research Building
12902 USF Magnolia Drive
Tampa, Florida 33612
USA
813-745-6828

For more information and to register visit the event webpage.

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Workshop Series: Building Your Career - Spring 2019

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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Passport to Great Teaching Events

The Mirage of Multitasking: Finding Your Focus, Flow, and Finish Line – Feb. 26, Presenter: Scott Blades

The research is overwhelming—our brains aren't built for multitasking. When we constantly juggle various cognitive tasks, we experience decreased productivity, impaired cognitive ability, increased stress, and diminished creativity—all of which reduce us to fractions of the effective professionals we are capable of being. Many professionals surrender to a frantic and unfocused workstyle out of the belief that there is no other way. The modern-day workplace simply demands us to function in this manner, right? Wrong. In this course, you will learn how to recognize and squash your multitasking tendencies and recalibrate your approach to work. By setting clear priorities, increasing your focus, managing your time and effort, reducing physical and mental clutter, executing on what matters most, and giving yourself space to be innovative, you can elevate your performance and put yourself on the path to greater productivity.

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

ePortfolios – Feb. 27 & Mar. 26 19, Presenter: Paloma Rodriguez

Faculty and staff attending this workshop will learn about the impact of eportfolio practice on student learning. Attendees will gain an understanding of how eportfolios can support integrative learning (including career development) and improve digital literacy. Participants will discuss best practices for the management and implementation of these projects and will receive additional readings and resources. The workshop includes a 20 minute hands-on tutorial on how to create eportfolios using the free web development platform Wix.

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

There is No Such Thing as a Safe Space: The role of risk in the classroom – Feb. 27, Presenters: Dr. Billy Huff, Diana Moreno & L.B. Hannahs

Universities in the United States are increasingly met with demands from students, especially our most marginalized students, to provide safe spaces. Simultaneously these spaces are being criticized for catering to "snowflakes." This session will explore the need, and power, of introducing vulnerability, authenticity, and conflict into the learning environment. Facilitators will share experiences of creating brave spaces in the classroom, and lead a discussion on how to faculty can pedagogically challenge and support students to lean into ambiguity and disagreement to create a robust educational experience for all students.

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

Finding Neverland

Friday, February 22, 7:30 pm

Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

Tickets and More Info.

Finding Neverland tells the incredible story behind Peter Pan. Playwright J.M. Barrie struggles to find inspiration until he meets four young brothers and their beautiful widowed mother. Spellbound by the boys' enchanting make-believe adventures, he sets out to write a play that will astound London theatergoers. With a little bit of pixie dust and a lot of faith, Barrie takes this monumental leap, leaving his old world behind for Neverland, where nothing is impossible and the wonder of childhood lasts forever.

Parker Quartet

Saturday, February 23, 7:30 pm

University Auditorium

Tickets and More Info.

Renowned for its dynamic interpretations and inspiring performances, the Grammy Award-winning Parker Quartet has rapidly distinguished itself as one of the preeminent ensembles of its generation.

Founded in Boston, the Parker Quartet's numerous honors include winning the Concert Artists Guild Competition, the Grand Prix and Mozart Prize at France's Bordeaux International String Quartet Competition, and Chamber Music America's prestigious Cleveland Quartet Award. Since its founding in 2002, the Parker Quartet has appeared in the world's most prominent venues, and now they're adding UF's University Auditorium to that list.

An Evening with Kathy Mattea

Sunday, February 24, 7:30 pm

Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

Tickets and More Info.

One of the most respected country stars of her era brings a distinct blend of folk, bluegrass, gospel, and singer-songwriter intimacy to our stage.

Kathy Mattea, the beloved, Grammy-winning singer of the classics "18 Wheels and A Dozen Roses," "Where've You Been," and many other hits, brought a scintillating, stripped-down tilt to the world of 1980s pop country. She's maintained a career marked by overwhelming recognition ever since. An exceptional storyteller, Kathy draws inspiration from her Appalachian roots and is a torchbearer for often overlooked musical legacies like those of Hazel Dickens and Jean Ritchie.

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

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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 Maha Elbadry, 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.

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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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