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Career Development Seminar: Lessons in Transitioning from Academia to Industry Research.

The Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences is hosting a special Career Development Seminar on April 18th. Our speaker, **Dr. Charlotte Chung** is a Scientist II at Voyager Therapeutics, Inc, specializing in the development of gene therapies for neurologic disorders. Dr. Chung received her PhD at the University of Oklahoma in the lab of Dr.

Jordan Tang, who identified human brain protease memapsin 2, a key player in the pathological cascade leading to Alzheimer's disease. She was also mentored by Dr. John Ash, now the Francis M. Bullard Eminent Scholar Chair in Ophthalmic Sciences here at the University of Florida, prior to making the switch to industry research and development.

Please join us for her talk, "Lessons in Transitioning from Academic to Industry Research". **The seminar will take place at 4pm in the McKnight Brain Institute, LG-101. Coffee and snacks will be provided.**

Voyager Therapeutics is currently hiring for research, regulatory, and business positions. This is an opportunity to network with a leading member of the Voyager team!

If you are interested in meeting with Dr. Chung for lunch before the seminar or dinner immediately following the talk, please RSVP with Ashley (azuniga6@ufl.edu) and/or Kartika (kartikav@ufl.edu).

Submitted by Ashley Zuniga, Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences

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The Non-Academic Job Search - April 10th

Want to explore diverse careers but don't know where to start? Come learn how to go about that process with Lindsey Day, Talent Management leader for Tech Companies!

Download the full spring 2019 semester schedule of Graduate School Professional Development workshops.

Submitted by Talline Martins, Graduate School

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Aligning Expectations for Mentoring - Workshop April 12th

Roger Fillingim, PhD
Professor & Director, Pain Research and Intervention Center of Excellence
Director, CTSI Mentor Academy

12:00-1:00 pm, Friday, April 12, 2019
Room CG-11

Register

Part of the Learn-Discover-Lead Professional Development Seminar Series. View the Spring 2019 seminar series schedule.

Submitted by Susan Gardner, CTSI

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Change Your Career - National Postdoctoral Association Free Medical Science Liaison Webinar

Changing careers is not easy, but often necessary after several years of working as a postdoc. Perhaps you don't like the benchwork anymore, or it is the grant writing that you dislike, but you love (to talk about) the latest science topics.

A career where you will be using a lot of your scientific knowledge is in a medical science liaison role (MSL), where you will be liaison with top clinicians to bring innovative pipeline drugs to the market. And no, it is not a sales job, it is all about the (clinical) science.

Join the National Postdoctoral Association's free MSL webinar to learn more about this exciting new career as an MSL. The NPA's next FREE MSL webinar is in the weekend of April 19-21 where we discuss "How to become an MSL without industry experience." Sign up for free at http://tiny.cc/Free_MSL_webinar_NPAe

In this webinar we will cover:

- What the MSL role really is about
- The day in a life of an MSL
- Strength and weaknesses of a scientist
- How to avoid getting your CV rejected 50 times
- How to avoid the rejection ("You don't have MSL experience")
- Learn about your net worth as an MSL (3-4 times your current salary)

After you have signed up for the NPA's free webinar, have a look at some of the stories from previous postdocs who are now MSLs: www.fromSCIENCEtoPHARMA.com/#Testimonials

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Tour 3 Research Parks at the Celebration of Biotech - May 9th

MAY 9: 10am, 11:30am and 12:30 am

Tour the 3 research parks supporting a strong life sciences ecosystem in Alachua -- Foundation Park, Progress Park & Copeland Park -- and learn about the world class research and innovation happening today.

About the Celebration of Biotechnology: The Celebration of Biotechnology is Florida's largest exhibit show dedicated to the life sciences. This outdoor event brings together local companies in a casual setting where they can showcase their achievements, products or technology. Hosted by Concept Companies and Foundation Park in Alachua, this event is boasts 500+ life sciences attendees, 80+ exhibitors, and educational bus tours showcasing the surrounding research parks, food trucks & music.

Register to Attend.

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Science: Unsilenced

Students, postdocs, and faculty are invited to join the Science: Unsilenced series of campus events the week of April 15th, devoted to expanding conversations about the First Amendment/censorship issues to the sciences:

Monday 4/15: Short film screening and lunch, "Let Science Speak," **Frazier-Rogers Hall, room 122** (Showings &

pizza from 11:30-12:15; or 12:30-1:15).

Tuesday 4/16: Science: Unsilenced panel, **Pugh Hall Ocora, 6 p.m.** Join UF climate scientist Andrea Dutton; Kennedy School senior fellow Joel Clement; retired Florida DEP scientist Connie Bersok; and UF Brechner Center director Frank LoMonte for a discussion on the spectrum of censorship scientists are experiencing, the protections they have or lack, and possible solutions.

Wednesday 4/17: Film screening and producer talk, "Let Science Speak," **Smathers Library Room 100**, film screening and virtual Q&A with filmmaker Christine Arena. With refreshments! Film 1:15; filmmaker interview 2 p.m.

Wednesday 4/17: Health professionals and the First Amendment panel, Sonja R. West, Otis Brumby Distinguished Professor in First Amendment Law at the University of Georgia School of Law, speaks on free-speech issues involving health professionals, followed by a roundtable, **HPNP classroom G-101,** 5:30 p.m

For more information and a full schedule of events, please go tohttps://www.jou.ufl.edu/science-unsilenced/.

Submitted by Cynthia Barnett, Bob Graham Center for Public Service

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UFII Fellows Journal Club: Dr. Leila Kalantari

"Hierarchical Linear Dynamical System for Classifying Avian Notes from Recorded Audio"

Dr. Leila Kalantari

UFII Postdoctoral Fellow
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Abstract: In order to aid understanding of avian vocal complexity in Family Paridae, and its relationship to environmental and social phenomena, we seek to develop automated classification of specific avian notes for two species that co-occur in N America, Carolina chickadee (Poecile carolinensis) and tufted titmouse (Baeolophus bicolor). These two species have been classified as "community informants" whose vocal production encodes situationally specific information used by other species to mitigate predation risks. To automate classifying avian notes from recorded audio, we worked with hierarchical linear dynamical system (HLDS), a recently proposed architecture for modeling time series and proposed a novel method for its parameter setting.

HLDS can potentially be employed in two ways: 1) simultaneous segmentation and clustering for exploring the data ie. finding unknown notes, 2) simultaneous segmentation and classification in the presence of outliers for finding the notes of interest.

We adapted HLDS for the second purpose since it is an easier task and still a challenging problem in the field. Each test clip has the same recorded notes as in the training clip but it is different from the training clip in the order of the recordings and also the level of degradation. After the training, the classes of the interest are defined to be the notes that HLDS can model nicely during validation. At test, it is automatically decided to which of the classes of interest a note belongs to if any. Unlike discriminatory classification algorithms, HLDS can find outliers at the test time ie. resorting to anomaly detection as a preprocessing step is circumvented.

For more information, go to https://informatics.institute.ufl.edu/event/ufii-fellows-journal-club-dr-leila-kalantari-hierarchical-linear-dynamical-system-for-classifying-avian-notes-from-recorded-audio/

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Lunch 11:30AM & Talk 12:00 – 1:00PM

UF Informatics Institute

Rm E251 Computer Science and Engineering Bldg (CSE)

432 Newell Road

Gainesville, FL 32611

Talk is free and open to the public.

Lunch is provided. Please RSVP so we can make sure to have enough for everyone to enjoy. Thank you!

RSVP

Submitted by Flora Marynak, Informatics Institute

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Advancing Humanities Inquiry across Disciplines: Learn about the National Humanities Center's Residential Fellowships, Educational Resources, and Public Programs

With Dr. Tania Munz (Vice President for Scholarly Programs, National Humanities Center [NHC])

Two identical workshops will be offered:

Thursday, April 11, 2-4pm and Friday, April 12, 10am-12pm

Smathers Library 100

Founded in 1978, the National Humanities Center in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, is a private, nonprofit organization, and the only independent institute dedicated exclusively to advanced study in all areas of the humanities. Through its residential fellowship program, the Center provides scholars with the resources necessary to generate new knowledge and to further understanding of all forms of cultural expression, social interaction, and human thought. The Center's education programs strengthen teaching on the collegiate and pre-collegiate levels. Model programs developed at the Center provide teachers and faculty with new materials and instructional strategies to make them more effective in the classroom and rekindle their enthusiasm for the subjects they teach. And the Center's public programs, including national humanities advocacy resources, community lectures, panel discussions, symposia, and a rich multi-media library, promote understanding of the humanities and their foundational role in a democratic society.

At this workshop, Dr. Tania Munz will offer an overview of the National Humanities Center residential fellowships for humanities faculty, and the Center's new summer residency program for which UF faculty and graduate students in the humanities are eligible. UF faculty who have held residencies at the National Humanities Center will be on hand to speak about their experiences as recipients of these prestigious awards as well as of the reviewing process, and offer guidance to potential applicants. Dr. Munz will also speak more broadly about the diverse resources that the Center offers for humanities teaching, public programming, and outreach. There will be

ample time for Q&A about the funding programs and the application process.

Who should attend? UF faculty, graduate students, undergraduate students interested in humanities research and outreach, research communicators, research support staff, independent scholars in the humanities and humanistic social sciences (e.g., social and cultural anthropology, sociology, political theory, international relations, and other subjects concerned with questions of value).

No RSVP or preparation is required. Refreshments will be provided.

Submitted by the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere

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Summer Camps Directory Now Available Online

Starting the search for summer camps for your school-age children? You can find details about area summer camps on an online Summer Camp Directory, published this month.

UFHR Communications and Worklife is pleased to provide this quick-and-easy reference for parents. To access the guide, visit https://worklife.hr.ufl.edu.

Know of a camp that's missing? Email hrs-wellness@ufl.edu to let us know. We will continue to seek additional camps so that we may grow the list into as complete a directory as possible.

Submitted by Angie Brown, Human Resources

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Performing Arts Event: National Geographic Live

National Geographic Live: Ocean Soul

Thursday, April 18, 7:30 pm

Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

Tickets and More Info.

Voyage across the oceans with one of National Geographic's most seasoned photographers and discover a vast, hidden world beneath the waves.

Using his camera to communicate, Brian Skerry has spent more than 10,000 hours underwater telling the oceans' stories. His images celebrate the mystery of the depths and offer portraits of creatures so intimate they sometimes appear to have been shot in a studio. Skerry dives eight months of the year, often in extreme conditions beneath Arctic ice or in predator-infested waters, and has even lived at the bottom of the sea to get close to his subjects.

*National Geographic Live is a night of exploration through film, photography, and discussion with acclaimed National Geographic photographers. Experience nature through the eyes, lenses, and words of the researchers, scientists, and storytellers that have made National Geographic an icon of global media.

National Geographic Live: On the Trail of Big Cats at the Phillips Center in Gainesville is presented in partnership with the Florida Museum.

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

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Florida Museum of Natural History Events

Florida Museum to host photography workshop April 14

Snap the picture of a lifetime April 14 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Florida Museum of Natural History's "Butterfly Rainforest" exhibit, featuring more than 50 species at any given time. During this special event, use tripods and other photographic equipment not usually permitted. The fee is $40, or $35 for museum members, and includes exhibit admission. Pre-registration is required and closes April 12. Participants must be 18 years or older. For more information or to register, visit www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/photo-workshop or call 352-273-2057.

Florida Museum to host 'Museum for Me' sensory-friendly event April 14

The Florida Museum of Natural History invites adults and children on the autism spectrum, including their friends, families and caregivers, to visit the museum before-hours on April 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This special opportunity allows participants to explore at their own pace in a peaceful and less-crowded environment. In addition, a separate quiet space will be available to decompress or desensitize. All members of the autism spectrum disorder community are invited to attend. For more information, visit www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/museum-for-me-autism or call 352-273-2064.

Florida Museum invites artists, designers to 'SciArt Meetup: Da Vinci' April 16

Artists and designers are invited to visit the Florida Museum of Natural History after hours for SciArt Meetups to explore exhibits and create art inspired by Florida nature and culture! With partners Santa Fe College Art Gallery and Wayfaring Painter, join the museum on April 16 from 6 to 9 p.m. for a brief art or science presentation on Leonardo Da Vinci. The program fee is $7 per person and includes a working studio space and after-hours entry to all permanent exhibits. Artists must bring their own supplies. For more information or to register, visit https://www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/sciart-davinci/ or call 352-273-2062.

Submitted by Nikhil Srinivasan, Florida Museum of Natural History

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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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