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Important Information re: Postdoc Insurance:

If you have questions about benefits enrollment or eligibility, please contact UF's [Human Resource Services'](#) GA and Post Doc Associate Benefits Office at hrspostdocbenefits@admin.ufl.edu or (352) 392-0003.

Next Postdoc Development Workshop: Developing a Teaching Statement for Postdocs

November 5, 2:30pm, McKnight Brain Institute Conference Room (LG-110 A/B)

The next Postdoc Development Workshop will provide postdocs with the keys to writing effective teaching statements. Dr. Kevin Folta, Chair of the UF

Horticultural Sciences Department, will help postdocs develop clear communications describing their teaching experiences.

Refreshments will be served

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Postdoc Workshop on Grantwriting: Materials on Website

Materials and video recording of the October 6 Postdoc Development Workshop on Grantwriting with Dr. Terrie Vasilopoulos are now posted on the Website:

- [PowerPoint Presentation from Workshop \(.pptx\)](#)
- [Video Recording of Presentation](#)

Submitted by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Empowering Women In Tech Startups Spring Session Open for Applications

Consider yourself invited to what could be one of the most empowering programs of your life: the Spring session of the [Empowering Women in Tech Startups \(eWiTS\)](#) program. This experiential learning program provides women with entrepreneurial skills and builds confidence. If you already know you'd like to apply, [fill out an application here](#).

Learn more at an information session from 3 pm to 5 pm at the Innovation Hub. Please register for just one of the three sessions to ensure we have adequate food and drink.

- [Nov. 18](#)
- [Dec. 11](#)
- [Jan. 13](#)

[eWiTS Information Flyer \(.pdf\)](#)

Submitted by Meghan Meyer, Office of Technology Licensing

Improve Communication Skills Through the Talking Gators Toastmasters Club

The Talking Gators Toastmasters club meets on campus every Tuesday from 5:45-6:45pm in 1031 of the Entomology Building. Toastmasters helps members improve their public speaking skills in a very supportive, encouraging environment. The Talking Gators Toastmasters club is open to anyone in the community, but many members are UF affiliated.

More information is available on the Talking Gators Website:

<http://talkinggators.toastmastersclubs.org/>

Submitted by Anchalee Phataralaoha, UF Academic Technology

Servant Leadership Institute

The Servant Leadership Institute is a day long experience, sponsored by the [UF Center for Leadership and Service](#), for student groups who are interested in increasing the breadth and depth of their impact on the UF campus and in the greater-Gainesville Community. We are looking for Small Group Facilitators who will help participants network, problem solve, and develop skills and knowledge related to servant leadership, coalition building, and service-learning with other student leaders, Gainesville community members, and UF faculty and staff.

If you are interested, please e-mail Brittney Beck at BrittneyB@leadershipandservice.ufl.edu by October 17.

A Small Group Facilitator Training will be held on October 22 from 6pm-8pm and the Servant Leader Institute will take place on November 8th from 9am-6pm.

Submitted by Josh Funderburke, UF Center for Leadership and Service

Clinical Translational Aging Research Seminar

Peripheral vs Central Effects of Rapamycin on Feeding and Weight Loss in a Rodent Model of Aging

Christy Carter

Assistant Professor, Department of Aging and Geriatric Research, College of Medicine

Philip Scarpace

Professor, Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, College of Medicine

Monday, October 20

12:00-1:00pm

Room 2161 Clinical Translational Research Building (CTRB)

Lunch Provided

[Seminar Flyer](#) (.pdf)

Submitted by Christy Carter, Department of Aging and Geriatric Research, College of Medicine

Postdoctoral Position available in the Department of Pathology/ UF Health Diabetes Institute at the University of Florida

The Department of Pathology and UF Health Diabetes Institute at the University of Florida (<http://diabetes.ufl.edu/>), an international leader in clinical care and research, has an open postdoctoral research associate position in Dr. Clayton Mathews' laboratory. We investigate the genetics and molecular mechanisms of autoimmune Type 1 Diabetes. The candidate will join a large and highly collaborative group to study to the genetic pathogenesis of autoimmune Type 1 Diabetes using an innovative isogenic model that takes advantage of cutting edge technologies (including patient derived induced pluripotent stem cells and development of novel viral vectors for genetic manipulation of primary cells).

Salary will be consistent with NIH postdoctoral trainee guidelines, plus benefits.

Minimum Requirements: Ph.D. degree in Immunology, molecular biology, or a related field.

Preferred qualification: Qualified individuals must have completed a doctoral degree before beginning employment. Ideal candidates would possess a strong background in immunology, with experience in autoimmune disease and flow cytometry, as well as molecular biology. The candidate is expected to design and conduct experiments, as well as analyze and present data independently. A proven record of verbal and written communication is necessary.

Career Development Opportunities: The department of Pathology has made significant commitments to ensure that postdoctoral fellows receive adequate career/professional development training in addition to their scientific training. Monthly meetings are held where didactic and practical training in several core competencies are thoroughly discussed: including public speaking, giving science presentations to a general audiences, job searches and interviews, laboratory management, as well as responsible conduct in research. Additionally, grant writing and reviewing skills are developed through an internal competitive grant program. These small grants (~\$5000) are awarded to postdocs in the department to support innovative pilot studies that will augment their existing projects. Together with University-wide postdoctoral training opportunities provided by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (<http://postdoc.aa.ufl.edu/>), the postdoctoral experience at UF is one that prepares you for a range of careers and afford professional skills needed to succeed at the next level.

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Awards for Aging Research

AWARDS PROGRAM IS SUPPORTED BY

THE LEIGHTON E. CLUFF ENDOWMENT,
AND THE INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING
IN RETIREMENT AT OAK HAMMOCK

The purpose of these awards is to increase students' scholarly investigation and research on issues related to older adults and the aging process. Students are encouraged to examine any topic within the fields of gerontology and geriatrics, broadly defined.

Who is Eligible? Undergraduate students, Graduate students, or Professional Students (including medical residents or postdoctoral students) enrolled or working at the University of Florida for at least one term between January, 2014 and Spring, 2015.

How do I Submit? Send papers by February 6, 2015 to Dr. Christy Carter at cartercs@ufl.edu. All papers should be submitted by email.

[Aging Awards Flyer \(.pdf\)](#)

Submitted by Christy Carter, Department of Aging and Geriatric Research, College of Medicine

RFPs: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention - up to \$225,000

Our office wanted to be sure you are aware of several opportunities for funding for post-docs, young investigators, and established investigators from the **American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)**. If you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, please let me know -- I would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) Grants

Up to \$225,000 Due 11/15/14

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) is the nation's leading organization bringing together people across communities and backgrounds to understand and prevent suicide, and to help heal the pain it causes. AFSP offers Suicide Research Grants in six categories.

Distinguished Investigator Grants (up to \$100,000 over 2 years): Grants awarded to investigators at the level of associate professor or higher with an established record of research and publication on suicide.

[Distinguished Investigator Policy](#)

[Apply Now](#)

Standard Research Grants (up to \$90,000 over 2 years): Grants awarded to individual investigators at any level.

[Standard Research Policy](#)

[Apply Now](#)

Linked Standard Research Grants (up to \$225,000 over 2

years): Grants awarded to investigators at any level performing research involving three or more unique sites with each site contributing unique expertise, as well as data collection.

[Linked Standard Research Policy](#)

[Apply Now](#)

Young Investigator Grants (up to \$85,000 over 2 years): Grants awarded to investigators at or below the level of assistant professor. These grants must allocate \$10,000 (\$5,000 per year) of their award for an established suicide researcher to mentor the Young Investigator. AFSP is available to assist you in identifying a suitable mentor.

[Young Investigator Policy](#)

[Apply Now](#)

Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (up to \$104,000 over 2 years): Grants awarded to investigators who have received a Ph.D., M.D., or other doctoral degree within the preceding six years and have had no more than three years of fellowship support. Fellows receive a stipend of \$46,000 per year and an institutional allowance of \$6,000 per year.

[Postdoctoral Fellowship Policy](#)

[Apply Now](#)

Pilot Grants (up to \$30,000 over one or two years): Awarded to investigators at any level, these grants provide seed funding for new projects that have the potential to lead to larger investigations. These grants typically entail feasibility studies rather than hypothesis-driven research.

[Pilot Research Policy](#)

[Apply Now](#)

Click below for a summary of allowable and non-allowable costs in each of the six categories.

[Allowable and Non-Allowable Costs](#)

Please let me know if I or my colleagues can help you with the application.

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RFP: American Psychological Association fellowship opportunities - due 11/30/14 and 1/9/15

Our office wanted to be sure you are aware of two fellowship opportunities from the [American Psychological Association \(APA\)](#). If you or any of your colleagues

choose to pursue an application, please let me know -- I would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this note to anyone else who might be interested.

American Psychological Association (APA)

APA-IUPsyS Global Mental Health Fellowship

Due 11/30/14

The APA-IUPsyS Global Mental Health Fellowship provides an opportunity for a psychologist to spend one year at the World Health Organization (WHO), in the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, working on one or more issues related to the WHO Mental Health Action Plan. Pending funding approval in December 2014, the fellowship will provide a modest stipend for additional living costs in Geneva and fellowship-related travel that is intended to supplement the fellow's other, regular sources of income.

The program intends to:

Provide psychologists with exposure to and involvement with international global mental health policy and implementation.

Contribute to the more effective use of psychological knowledge and research in global mental health policy and implementation.

Broaden awareness about the value of socio-behavioral approaches to health and mental health in a global context.

The APA-IUPsyS Global Mental Health fellow will be assigned (seconded) to the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, at the WHO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Funding for the fellowship will provide supplemental funds of **US\$30,000** for living expenses in Geneva and fellowship-related travel. No salary funds are provided. It is anticipated that the fellow will secure institutional or other core funding during the fellowship year.

More info: <http://www.apa.org/about/awards/global-health-fellowship.aspx>

American Psychological Association (APA)

APA Congressional Fellowship Programs

Due Nov. 30, 2014

The purpose of this fellowship is to provide psychologists with an invaluable public policy learning experience, to contribute to the more effective use of psychological knowledge in government and to broaden awareness about the value of psychology-government interaction among psychologists and within the federal government.

APA will sponsor up to two congressional fellows for a one-year appointment beginning Sept. 1, 2015. Additional fellowships are available for mid-career/senior psychologists and for psychologists with expertise in health and behavior issues, including HIV/AIDS, and psychologists with a background in developmental or clinical psychology and experience working directly with children.

The fellowship stipend ranges from \$75,000 to \$90,000, depending upon years of post-doctoral experience. In addition, APA provides reimbursement for health insurance coverage and a \$3,750 stipend for professional development and relocation expenses during the fellowship year. Final selection of fellows will be made in early spring of 2015.

More info: <http://www.apa.org/about/awards/congress-fellow.aspx>

Please let me know if I or my colleagues can help you with the application.

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AACR Basic Cancer Research Fellowships

Our office wanted to be sure you are aware of the following fellowship opportunities from the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR). If you or any of your colleagues choose to pursue an application, please let me know - I and my colleagues would be happy to help with it. Please also forward this to anyone else who might be interested.

AACR Basic Cancer Research Fellowships

Due date: Oct. 28, 2014 for LOI

Funding: \$50,000

These guidelines pertain to the following fellowships to be presented in 2015:

- AACR-John and Elizabeth Leonard Family Foundation Basic Cancer Research Fellowship (one)
- AACR Anna D. Barker Basic Cancer Research Fellowship (one)
- AACR Basic Cancer Research Fellowships (multiple)

The AACR Basic Cancer Research Fellowships are open to postdoctoral and clinical research fellows working at an academic, medical, or research institution who will be in the 1st, 2nd, or 3rd year of their postdoctoral training at the start of the grant term. The research proposed for funding may be in any area of basic cancer research.

The fellowships provide one-year grants of \$50,000 to support the salary and

benefits of the Fellow while working on a mentored basic cancer research project. A partial amount of funds may be designated for non-personnel expenses, such as research/laboratory supplies, equipment, publication charges for manuscripts that pertain directly to the funded project and other research expenses.

It is anticipated that multiple fellowships will be funded.

More information is available at:

<http://www.aacr.org/Funding/Grant%20Assets/2015%20Basic%20PG%20LOI.pdf>

Please let me know if I or my colleagues can help you with an application.

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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 did not receive your invitation to join the National Postdoctoral Association or if your invitation has expired and you need to be sent a refreshed invitation, please [contact Kim Pace](#) to receive an invitation.

[More information.](#)

Submitted by Kim Pace, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

Reminder: Postdoc Info Listserv

Want to receive e-mail prompts prior to postdoc events like the [Postdoc Development Workshops](#) and other postdoc events?

A listserv has been created for postdocs to receive reminders for upcoming postdoc events. Please e-mail Kim Pace (kpace@aa.ufl.edu) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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