ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMB
Feb. 14, 12 – 1 PM: GTV Trainee Seminar: Kalyani Nambiar (Wilson lab) and Katherine Quiroz-Figueroa (Rader lab) presenting. Contact Anna Kline.

Feb. 14, 12 – 1 PM (4054 Colket): CAMB Vice Chair Craig Bassing Office Hours. Contact Craig Bassing.

Feb. 15, 12 – 1:30 PM: DSRB Program Lunch: Hannah Greenfeld (Mullins lab), Elizabeth Howell (Speck lab), and Ernest Monahan Vargas (Y. Song lab) presenting. Contact Christina Strathearn.

Feb. 15, 12:15 – 1:30 PM: CPM Research in Progress Seminar: Brittany Mactaggart (Kashina lab) and Jessica Phan (E. Lee Lab) presenting. Contact Kathy O’Connor-Cooley.

NGG
• Friendly reminder to fill out your NeuroNet profile if you haven’t already! It’s a great way to find people who have experience with the same fellowships, certificates, classes, or journal clubs you’re interested in!

• NGG GRiPPs: Sign up to give a 20 min presentation on your current research progress here (NGG 3rd years and above)

Thesis Defenses
Feb. 18, 4 – 5 PM (CRB Austrian Auditorium): **Mandie Samuels (CAMB), “Non-canonical Functions of the Bacterial SOS Response.”** Contact **Anna Kline.**

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**PCI Fellows Program - Gain experience in Technology Commercialization**

Part-Time Engagement in conjunction with your current program at Penn. **Application deadline:** February 22, 2019.

*Penn’s Center for Innovation (PCI) is seeking highly-talented, scientifically-trained graduate students and post-doctoral fellows for the PCI Fellows Program, an innovative, experiential program focusing on commercialization of academic research. Typical projects include review of new inventions, prior art search, market research, and marketing.*

- Compensation is project-based
- Work can be completed remotely.

Selection is based on:

- Active Penn or BPP Affiliation
- Graduate or post-graduate standing in a scientific discipline
- Commitment and availability for 10 hours
- Support from advisor/supervisor to engage in the program
- U.S. employment eligibility for part-time on-campus work

For additional information, please see our FAQ at [http://www.pci.upenn.edu/how-to-apply/](http://www.pci.upenn.edu/how-to-apply/). The next session starts May 2019.

Apply online at: [http://www.pci.upenn.edu/pci-fellows/](http://www.pci.upenn.edu/pci-fellows/). The application requires submitting an assessment of a technology.

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**CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Feb. 12, 1:30 - 2:30 PM (Room 305, Grad Center, 3615 Locust Walk): **Understanding the Journal Publishing Process for Early Career STEM Authors.** Join the Grad Center for a conversation with **Dr. Kenneth Zaret** (Joseph Leidy Professor in the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology at the Perelman School of Medicine) as he discusses the journal publishing process for early career graduate students and faculty in the sciences. This workshop will provide a casual, interactive opportunity to learn more about tips and best practices for successfully navigating the world of academic journal publishing from the perspective of a practicing editor. Learn more and register [here](http://www.pci.upenn.edu/pci-fellows/).
Feb. 13, 12 - 2 PM (Stemmler Hall, Room 105): **Walk-In Wednesdays with Career Services.** Stop by to have your resume/CV reviewed, prep for interviews, and get networking and career advice! Flyer [here](#).

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Feb. 19, 12 – 1:30 PM (McNeil Building, Conference Room 97): **Career Services: Negotiating for Faculty Positions and Postdocs** (Academic Job Search Series). A Career Services counselor will discuss strategies for what to think about and do when you interview and when you receive an offer. This workshop will address the basic principles of successful negotiation, what can be negotiated, and how should you respond when offered a position. Register [here](#).

Feb. 21, 11 – 12:30 PM (BRB 1201): **CTL - Teaching Outside Your Area of Expertise** led by Dr. Heath Schmidt, Associate Professor of Nursing and Psychiatry, and Katerina Placek, CTL Graduate Fellow. At some point in your academic career in the biomedical sciences, you are likely to be asked to teach a topic outside your particular specialization. This may include serving as a teaching assistant on an upper-level course that covers material far removed from your graduate dissertation work, or leading an introductory survey course spanning a wide variety of topics. In this workshop, Dr. Heath Schmidt will draw on his teaching experiences as a graduate student, postdoc, and faculty members to help workshop attendees meet this challenge, with an emphasis on skills you can develop and use in your teaching. Please [RSVP here to attend](#)! Counts toward the CTL Teaching Certificate. Contact Katerina Placek for more information.

Feb. 27, 4 – 5:30 PM (Smilow 12-146AB): **BGS Professional Skills Series, “Inclusion and Diversity: Perspectives from Business”** led by Dr. Laura Roberts, Teaching Professor of Management, McDonough School of Business, Georgetown University.

**CALENDAR**

Career Development

**RESOURCES**

BGS Career Development Site  
BGS Career Twitter  
BGS Alumni & Current Students LinkedIn  
Penn Career Services - Ph.D./Postdoc Careers Page  
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**STUDENT GROUPS & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**
**Wellness at Penn: Your Big Idea Challenge**

**Deadline: March 1st 2019**

The Wellness at Penn initiative affirms wellness as a core priority and necessary driver of life on campus. A key aim of the initiative is to provide avenues of dialogue and collaboration for the wide range of partners advancing wellness on campus.

They are looking for creative ideas for services, programs, amenities, and resources to strengthen Penn wellness. Proposals that cross departments and Schools are strongly encouraged. Submissions from teams that include students, faculty, and/or staff are also a plus. What are you waiting for? Submit your big idea today!

**Community Impact Fund (Deadline: Rolling)**

The Provost's Office has dedicated funds to support graduate student initiatives and activities that build a community of mutual respect and intercultural understanding on campus. In particular, the fund supports graduate student-driven activities that address racial, cultural, or gender-based bias. For more details and to apply, click here.

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**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Feb. 11, 5:45 PM (IRG16 in Irvine Hall): **BGS Film Club, “Gattaca” (1997).** Popcorn and beverage will be provided. Contact Parisa Samareh with movie recommendations for future meetings.

Feb. 13, 6 - 8 PM (Rotunda, 4014 Walnut Street): **Nursing Story Slam Event.** The event is supported by The Sachs Program for Arts Innovation. Ten nurses will share their true, personal stories about their nursing experiences and insights at the storytelling event. The stories will be performed by students, faculty and alumni and the stories range from military nursing, to an emergency on an airline flight, to ICU nursing and much more.

The event is free and open to the public, though space is limited. Please RSVP at: www.nursing.upenn.edu/storyslam

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Feb. 18, 1:30 – 2:30 PM (Room 305, 3rd Fl Grad Center, 3615 Locust Walk): **Biomedical Library Systematic Review Workshop.** More info and register here.

Feb. 19, 4:30 – 6 PM (The Wistar Institute Caplan Auditorium): **PGWISE: Female Leadership Across Healthcare and Biomedical Sciences.** Please join Penn Graduate Women in Science & Engineering (PGWISE), Wharton Healthcare Club, and Wharton Women in Business (WWIB) at a panel discussion exploring leadership and careers in healthcare and biomedical sciences. Age 21+ reception prior to panel discussion (starting at 4:00 PM in the Wistar atrium.) Read more about the panelists and register here.

Feb. 20, 10:30 AM - 5:30 PM (Penn Law, Fitts Auditorium): **Addicted to the War on Drugs: Penn Law JLPA 2019 Symposium.** Join the University of Pennsylvania Journal of Law & Public Affairs for a
collaborative discussion questioning the persistence of the drug war, barriers to change, and achievable solutions. The name of the symposium reflects the persistence of militant drug enforcement after decades of increasing drug problems, mass incarceration, and international violence. Speakers will be asked to consider the most pressing issues of drug use and prohibition at the intersection of criminal justice, health, addiction, social work, policy and politics.

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Feb. 20, 3 - 4 PM (John Morgan Building, Wood Room): Effective Poster Design and Production. Trainees may attend on faculty's behalf. Register here or email kshala@upenn.edu.

Feb. 20, 5 - 8 PM (Houston Hall): I CARE is an interactive gatekeeper training for students, faculty, and staff that builds a caring community with the skills and resources to intervene with student stress, distress, and crisis. CAPS invites undergraduate, graduate, and professional students to participate in this session.

Feb. 21, 5:30 PM (Room 801 BRB): BGS Book Club. Open to all BGS students. The book club will discuss, “The Song of Achilles” by Madeline Miller. Drinks and snacks will be provided, and there will be book giveaways! For more information: bgsbookclub.upenn@gmail.com.


Feb. 22, 5-6:30 PM (Grad Center, 3615 Locust Walk): Fourth Fridays @ Five! Harry Potter Edition. Join the Grad Center to take a break, make some new friends, and enjoy HP-inspired food, music, and wizarding activities! Register here.

Feb. 26, 12 PM (BRB 253): SACNAS: A beginner’s guide to Adobe Illustrator. Join SACNAS for an Adobe Illustrator workshop to learn basic tools that you can apply when making figures for posters and articles. More info here.

For information about upcoming events or to advertise in next week’s bulletin, contact Rebecca Lopez.