ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMB
Feb. 6, 3 – 4 PM (Smilow 9-104): CAMB Chair Dan Kessler Office Hours. Contact Dan Kessler.


Feb. 8, 4:30 – 6 PM (BRB Lobby): CAMB PhD Recruiting Reception. Contact Kathy O’Connor-Cooley.

NGG
• New! We are having elections at the GLIA meeting (Feb. 11, 4 - 6:30 PM, Barchi.) We still need someone for professional development chair. Please let us know if you are interested in running! Contact ngg.glia@gmail.com
• 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

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**Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital (Bloorview Research Institute) – 2019 Pursuit Award**

The Pursuit Award recognizes outstanding achievements in childhood disability research by PhD students across the globe. The application deadline for the 2019 Pursuit Award is **Monday, February 4, 2019 5:00 p.m. EST**. Up to three monetary prizes are awarded and finalists may be eligible for a prestigious post-doctoral fellowship at the Bloorview Research Institute. All finalists are invited to present their research during the annual Pursuit Award ceremony May 14, 2019 at Holland Bloorview and to compete for the first place prize. Travel and accommodation costs are covered. Please refer to the [Application Package](#) (under ‘How to Apply’) for full details. For more information, please do not hesitate to contact BRIevents@hollandbloorview.ca.

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**Regeneron Prize for Creative Innovation in Biomedical Science – Call for Applications**

The University of Pennsylvania may nominate two graduate students for the Regeneron Prize in biomedicine, broadly defined. See [here](#) for details.

Penn coordinates an internal competition. The deadline for the internal competition is **10 AM, February 5th, 2019**.

To be considered for Penn nomination, applicants must submit:

- The [Regeneron Application Form](#), which includes upload of a single pdf containing:
  - Curriculum Vitae, which must include current phone number and mailing address
  - PDF of 2-3 publications
  - 2-page single-spaced description of the applicant’s “dream research idea” in the field of Biomedical Science

- A [Recommendation Request Form](#) that will, upon completion and submission by the applicant, send a recommendation request to your Penn faculty advisor

Applicants should **not** submit the application directly to Regeneron. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Aaron Olson at CURF, aolson@upenn.edu.

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**CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Feb. 5, 1:30 - 2:30 PM (Room 305, Grad Center, 3615 Locust Walk): **Deciding Where to Publish: Finding Publication Venues That Align With Your Goals.** This presentation will help get you started in establishing your publishing criteria, developing a list of journals/publishers, and
evaluating those publication venues based on the criteria you develop. The session will also briefly cover some best practices for submitting, reading/negotiating publishing contracts, and sharing your work after it’s published. Learn more and register here.

Feb. 6, 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. 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.

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: Its Significance to Business” led by Dr. Laura Roberts, Teaching Professor of Management, McDonough School of Business, Georgetown University.

CALENDAR

Career Development

RESOURCES

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STUDENT GROUPS & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Feb. 5, 12 – 1 PM (BRB 253): PSPDG Workshop: How to Write a Policy Memo. The Penn Science Policy and Diplomacy Group is hosting a workshop for anyone interested in science policy on how to write a policy memo. More info here.

Feb. 5, 5:30 PM (Smilow 09-146AB): BGSA General Assembly Meeting. Agenda includes social and academic events, finance update, and merit requests. Dinner from Real Food Eatery.

Feb. 7 & Feb. 8, 5:30 PM (IRG7, Irvine Auditorium): Open Labs at Penn Presents: Sips of Science 2019. Interested in working on your science communication skills? Visit Open Labs at Penn on February 7th and 8th! Come prepared with your idea for a TED-style talk and get a chance to present your science to high school students in April. Pizza and soft drinks will be provided. For more information, email pennopenlabs@gmail.com.

Feb. 9, 4:30 – 5:30 PM (Penn Ice Rink, 3130 Walnut St.): Grad Center: Ice Skating at the Penn Ice Rink. Tickets are $3 per person and include admission, skate rental, and hot chocolate. Limit to two tickets per PennCard. Purchase tickets at the Grad Center Common Room Desk starting Monday, January 28th. Cash or check ONLY.

FUTURE EVENTS

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
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.

[Event Page](#)
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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.

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