ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMB
Jan. 9, 3-4 PM (9-104 Smilow): **CAMB Chair Dan Kessler Office Hours.** Contact [Dan Kessler](mailto:dan.kessler@weill.cornell.edu).
Jan. 10, 12-1 PM: **GTV Trainee Seminar: Kevin Alicea-Torres (Gabrilovich lab) and Bryan Simpson (Davidson lab) presenting.** Contact [Anna Kline](mailto:anna.kline@weill.cornell.edu).
Jan. 11, 12:15-1:30 PM: **CPM Post Rotation Talks: Sean Louzon, Kyabeth Torres-Rodriguez, and Kevin Zhang presenting.** Contact [Kathy O’Connor-Cooley](mailto:kathy.oconnor-cooley@weill.cornell.edu).

NGG
- Friendly reminder to fill out your [NeuroNet profile](mailto:nnq@weill.cornell.edu) 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](mailto:ngggripp@weill.cornell.edu) (NGG 3rd years and above.)

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**Call for Nominations – Jessica Lok Prize for Cystic Fibrosis Research or Related Research in Infectious Disease, Metabolism, and Growth / Jon Samuel Kanefield Prize for Cystic Fibrosis Research**
BGS seeks nominations for the two prizes listed above. Nominations may be made on a rolling basis. If the award money is to be used for travel to a conference, please submit the nomination at least 2 months prior to the date of the conference. BGS faculty members should nominate their students via email to jajackso@pennmedicine.upenn.edu.

**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.

**External Fellowship - Chateaubriand Fellowship Call for Applications 2019-2020**
The Chateaubriand Fellowship call for applications is now open: [http://chateaubriand-fellowship.org](http://chateaubriand-fellowship.org)
Complete applications must be submitted by **January 8, 2019.**

The Chateaubriand Fellowship is a grant offered by the Embassy of France in the United States. It supports outstanding Ph.D. students from American universities who wish to conduct research in France for a period ranging from 4 to 9 months. Chateaubriand fellows are selected through a merit-based competition, through a collaborative process involving expert evaluators in both countries.

Interested applicants should complete the [STEM Chateaubriand Fellowship application](#).

**External Fellowship – Eagleton Science and Politics Fellowship Program**
The Eagleton Science and Politics Fellowship Program will give four participating New Jersey legislative or executive offices the assistance of doctorate-level scientists and engineers as full-time science aides for one year/ Read more about the program [here](#), and apply [here](#) by **January 13, 2019.**
CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Wharton Business Foundations Skills Courses on Coursera
Many BGS students have expressed interest in learning about aspects of business as part of their preparation for various careers. Wharton conducts a series of Coursera courses in business foundations.

The courses are free for people who don’t want or need any course credit and simply want exposure to business principles and practices. However, some people may wish to receive credit for individual courses or for a certificate (6 courses including a capstone project). Coursera estimates it takes 4-5 weeks to complete each course.

The cost per month of Coursera is $79. BGS can reimburse students for up to 7 months of Coursera who show proof of completion. For detailed instructions on reimbursement via Concur, contact Rebecca Lopez.

If you take any of the courses (whether for credit or not), we’d be interested to hear what you think of them.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Jan. 10, 12-1 PM (Blockley Hall 1311 Seminar Room): BGS students are invited to attend a Certificate in Law information session on January 10, 2019. The certificate provides an introduction to law and legal principles and is structured to provide a flexibility adaptable to different pursuits. It may be especially attractive to those interested in entrepreneurship, patent law, regulatory affairs, and certain pharmaceutical settings. The session will discuss the various options in taking one or more classes. As a reminder, students who wish to pursue a certificate program must obtain permission from their graduate groups and BGS as described here.

Lunch will be provided! See flyer here and RSVP here.

FUTURE EVENTS

Jan. 29, 3:30 – 5 PM (Smilow 8-146AB): BGS Professional Skills Series, “Effective Use of Social Media in Career Growth” led by Casey Greene, Assistant Professor of Pharmacology.

Feb. 27, 4 – 5:30 PM (Smilow 12-146AB): BGS Professional Skills Series, “Inclusion: Its Significance to Business” led by Laura Roberts, Teaching Professor of Management, McDonough School of Business, Georgetown University.
STUDENT GROUPS & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Jan. 8: BGSA EB Meeting/Merit Request Deadline

FUTURE EVENTS

Jan. 15, 5:30 PM (BRB 252): BGSA General Assembly Meeting

Jan. 17, 12-1:30 PM (Houston Hall Bodek Lounge): How to Communicate Science to the Public or Die Trying. This seminar, sponsored by the Penn Center for Public Health Initiatives, will feature Paul Offit, MD, Director of the Vaccine Education Center at CHOP. Lunch will be provided. Read Dr. Offit’s speaker bio and register for the event here.

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.

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