Opportunities to Explore
A newsletter for graduate students and postdoctoral trainees

TODAY

Last Day to Register for Meliora Weekend
Don’t miss out on these great events!

HAPPENING NOW

URBEST Enrollment is Now Open!
All science and biomedical PhD students and postdoctoral fellows at UR are eligible to participate. Click here for more information!

Dr. Bradford Berk is Looking for Postdocs
Dr. Berk is a Distinguished Professor and the Director of the University of Rochester’s Neurorestoration Institute. Interested applicants are encouraged to reach out to him and follow the link above to learn more about his lab’s current projects.

Grantsmanship for Students and Postdocs: F30, F31, F32 - November 2, 2016 | New York, NY
Join Science Alliance as they present Dr. Jaime Rubin and a panel with recipients of these fellowships. The seminar will focus on best practices for effective grant writing for biomedical pre-doctoral and post-doctoral fellowship applications. Register for either the event or the webinar above!

Data Science Fellowship
A Cornell-funded training organization, the incubator runs an advanced 8-week fellowship for PhDs looking to enter industry. A variety of innovative companies partner with them for their hiring and training needs including: LinkedIn, Genentech, Pfizer, and many others. The program is free for admitted Fellows and will run January 3, 2017–February 24, 2017. Click the link above for more info and view their alumni profiles here.

NIH Loan Repayment Programs Now Accepting Applications
Applications are now being accepted for the NIH Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs), which repay up to $35,000/year (for two years) of a researcher’s qualified educational debt in exchange for a commitment to engage in NIH mission-relevant research. The application deadline is Nov. 15; check your eligibility today!

CIRTL Fall Workshop Registration Now Open
This fall, CIRTL is offering five online courses, each focusing on a different aspect of inclusive, evidence-based pedagogy. Course registration opened Monday, August 1. CIRTL is also offering five workshops and four drop-in event series this fall. Follow the links for more information.

THIS WEEK

Biology Donut Talk: Patrick Oakes
Monday October 3, 2016 | 12:00PM-1:00AM | Lander Auditorium, Hutchinson Hall | Patrick Oakes - University of Rochester, will give the talk "Spatial Regulation of RhoA Reveals Zyxin-Mediated Elasticity of Stress Fibers". Contact the Biology Department at (585) 275-08837 at least 4 days in advance to request any special accommodations or if you would like to meet with an outside speaker. Read more about upcoming events.

URBEST Career Story Q&A: Rashpal Bhogal
Tuesday October 4, 2016 | 9:30AM-10:30AM | Nathapow Conference Room 1-9545 | Dr. Rashpal Bhogal, PhD of Medical Science Liaison at Novartis. Dr. Bhogal will highlight some of her day-to-day at Novartis and will share personal reflections on her career trajectory.

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Future Faculty Program: Understanding the Faculty Role
Thursday October 6, 2016 | 12:30PM-4:30PM | Staybridge Suites | Gain a clearer understanding of the roles and responsibilities of academic careers, hear alumni perspectives on transitioning from graduate student to faculty member, learn of discipline specific expectations and challenges in the job search, including building a CV, and preparing to interview. Register online through link above. Contact Adele Coelho, faculty outreach coordinator, at (585) 273-2571 or adele.coelho@rochester.edu.

Lunch and Learn with first Year Graduate Students and Medical Students
Thursday October 6, 2016 | 11:30AM | Community Room (2-9425) Hutchinson Hall | Patrick Oakes, CIRTL Center Colloquium Speaker

Bioengineering Seminar
Thursday October 6, 2016 | 12:30PM | 7:30AM | Louisa Slaughter Conference Room | Dr. Jared Longmore will engage in questions following. Boxed lunches from Lovin’ Cup will be provided. RSVP to adele.coelho@rochester.edu.

Chemical Engineering Seminar
Thursday October 6, 2016 | 12:00PM | Join SMD Alumni Council Members for lunch and a brief history of the School session.

Chemical Engineering Seminar
Thursday October 6, 2016 | 1:00PM | Louisa Slaughter Conference Room | Interested in improving your communication skills? The Daybreakers Toastmasters club will hold an open house at the Medical Center. Come learn about the group and how they can help you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PDA Monthly Meeting
Tuesday October 11, 2016 | 12:30PM-1:30PM | Georgen Hall 417 | All postdocs are welcome to attend this meeting along with the executive board and committee members of the PDA. Come get engaged with your community!

RELEVANT READS

From Afolayan To Ips: The Business Of Biotechnology
by Cynthia Robbins-roth. A tour-de-force for anyone who is interested in the biotech industry. Visit the CPD's Reading Library catalog to see titles of interest. To borrow a book, stop by our office in G-9556 or email with your request.

Who Gets the Credit for the Collaboration?
A tricky topic, here are some strategies to navigate these difficult conversations.

Full Disclosure Not Required
How open and authentic should you be in a job interview? Inside Higher Ed gives us some much needed advice.