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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Onsite CAPS Counselor for BGS Students

Tiffany, the onsite CAPS counselor for BGS students, will be available to meet this coming Wednesday, 8/14 from 12-4 PM in 1-103 Smilow. Starting 8/21, Tiffany will be available from 3-7 PM (also in 1-103 Smilow).

Reminder: BGS has arranged for a counselor from Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) to be available to meet on site with BGS students on Wednesdays in Smilow Conference Room 1-103 (in the hallway south of Rubenstein Auditorium). Tiffany Brown, PhD, is a psychologist at CAPS who will provide confidential services every Wednesday. She will work with BGS students to provide initial consultation, support, brief counseling, and referral services.

In order to set up an appointment with Dr. Brown, you may call CAPS at 215-898-7021 and let them know you would like to meet with Dr. Brown onsite in the PSOM. Alternatively, you may email her directly at nicobr@upenn.edu to make an appointment. All of the meetings will be held in Smilow Conference Room 1-103 (in the hallway south of Rubenstein Auditorium). If the door is open, you may walk in and schedule an appointment with Dr. Brown, in person, for the same day or a future date.

We know how busy your schedules are and we hope that having a counselor onsite will be useful. You will still have the option of going to CAPS at 3624 Market Street, and you may call CAPS at any time, 215-898-7021, and talk to a clinician. If you have questions, please contact Judy Jackson at jajackso@penncare.upenn.edu

New NIA Pre-doctoral Funding Mechanism for 3rd and 4th Year Students

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) has recently announced a new initiative to support transition of outstanding graduate students, from a wide range of research areas, into aging-related postdoctoral research.

Below are some highlights of the Transition to Aging Research Award for Postdoctoral Students (F99/K00) program: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-20-009.html>

- Predoctoral students at their 3rd and 4th year of PhD, regardless of their research focus, are eligible to apply.
- Visa holders with proper institutional support letter are also eligible to apply for this opportunity; refer to the 'eligibility' section of the announcements for more details.
- The program has two phases: Dissertation (F99, up to 2 years) and aging-related postdoctoral (K00, up to 4 years) phases.

Application Due Date: **October 22, 2019, by 5:00 PM**

If you are interested to know more about this FOA or have any specific question, please contact Shahrooz.vahedi@nih.gov.

Request a sponsored Membership to the New York Academy of Sciences

To support your professional and career development, the Perelman School of Medicine will sponsor interested students, postdocs, faculty and staff for **complimentary 1-year Membership** to one of the oldest and most prestigious scientific organizations in the United States, the [New York Academy of Sciences](#).

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MINS Year of Brain Science Technology Symposium

On behalf of the Mahoney Institute for Neurosciences at the University of Pennsylvania, the MINS Student Planning Committee would like to invite you to attend their student-led symposium for the **Year of Brain Science Technology**, highlighting innovative approaches to neural and behavioral data acquisition and analysis. This event will feature talks by students and postdocs from the Philadelphia area, poster sessions with prizes, and a reception with food and drinks.

If you would like to attend, give a talk, or present a poster, please register at the [form here](#).

The event is going to be held on **Friday September 13th from 1-6 pm** in the Rubenstein Auditorium, located in the **Smilow Center for Translational Research** (3400 Civic Center Boulevard, Philadelphia PA, 19104).

THESIS DEFENSES

None this week.

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMB

Aug. 15, 12-1 PM (4054 Colket): **Office Hours: CAMB Vice Chair Craig Bassing**. Contact [Craig Bassing](#).

NGG

ANNOUNCEMENT

- New! We have revamped the GFAP form this year, to hopefully make the purchase/reimbursement request process more straightforward. Please start using this GFAP form from now on when making purchases. If you run into problems using the form, or if something is confusing, please email the executive board at ngg.glia@gmail.com so we can address your question and improve the form. The link for the new form is [here](#).
- Check out this week's PennNeuroKnow [article](#), written by NGG students!
- Don't forget to pick up your NEW NGG T-SHIRT and THERMO! They are located in Tom's old office.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

No events this week

FUTURE EVENTS

8/19 (Philadelphia Zoo) NGG Student Retreat

CALENDARS

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[MINS](#)

[BGSA](#)

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Opportunity for senior graduate students or recent postdocs - OSU Postdoc Recruiting Event:

Applications are now being accepted for the Ohio State University 2019 Fall **Postdoctoral Recruitment Event**, being held **October 23-25, 2019**. This event will provide an excellent opportunity for outstanding postdocs and PhD students from leading graduate programs to meet research faculty, interview for open postdoctoral positions and discover the exciting and innovative research taking place at The Ohio State University and the Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH). Selected candidates will visit the Ohio State campus, network with current OSU and NCH postdocs, present their research, interview with prospective mentors, and learn more about postdoctoral opportunities at Ohio State. Full funding will be provided for travel expenses and candidates may be considered for a variety of opportunities, including fellowships, training grants, and other internal training programs.

Application for this event is open until **September 9th** and is available to postdocs or senior graduate students who have completed or expect to complete their PhD between December 2018 and May 2020. Any candidates in the US (visa status does not matter) can apply and we are especially interested in reviewing applications from US Citizens and permanent residents who are training grant-eligible and/or who come from underrepresented backgrounds including African

Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, American Indians or Alaskan Natives, Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders, or persons with a disability.

More information can be found on the web page or the application can be accessed directly through the link below.

<http://go.osu.edu/postdocrecruit>
http://go.osu.edu/pdre_application

The event flyer can be found here: http://go.osu.edu/pdre_eventflyer.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Jeffrey.Mason@osumc.edu or call (614-685-9140).

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Aug. 14, 12-1:30 PM (McNeil Building, Conference Room 97): **Creating Effective Application Materials for Academic Jobs at Different Institutions – STEM.** In this workshop, a Career Services advisor will present some best practices for formatting and structuring your application materials, discuss tailoring your materials to different types of institutions, and will challenge you to think about what you want to get across in these documents.

Many of the topics covered will be applicable to students applying for postdocs. RSVP [here](#).

FUTURE EVENTS

Aug. 27, 12 – 2 PM (Biomedical Library, 3610 Hamilton Walk): **Welcome (Back) Lunch at the Biomedical Library.** All health sciences students are welcome to attend! Drop by to share your summer experiences (research projects, courses, internships, etc) with your peers in other health sciences programs and health sciences librarians. This event is a part of the **InterProfessional Student Advisory Gatherings (#IPSAG)**, a networking event series for students interested in working in clinical or other health sciences settings. To register, visit bit.ly/biomedlunch.

CALENDAR

[Career Development](#)

RESOURCES

[BGS Career Development Site](#)

[BGS Career Twitter](#)

[BGS Alumni & Current Students LinkedIn](#)

[Penn Career Services - Ph.D./Postdoc Careers Page](#)

[Handshake](#)

STUDENT GROUPS & SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENTS THIS WEEK

None this week.

FUTURE EVENTS

Aug. 23, 5 – 7 PM (Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall): **Fourth Friday @ Five: Philly Edition!** Are you new to Philly and Penn? Want to learn more about your new communities and meet people from across Penn's 12 graduate schools? Come to the Grad Center's first Fourth Friday @ Five of the year! Fourth Friday will be all things Philly this time around, including Quizzo, a ubiquitous Philadelphia trivia game, and Philly themed food. Food and two drink tickets will be provided to graduate students with a Penn ID. [Register here.](#)

Sept. 4, 1-2 PM (Biomedical Library Relaxation Room): **#WellnessWednesday Workshop.** Learn how to relax your mind and body with strategies to help manage stress. During this session, you will be guided through mindful movements, self-applied massage, and meditation. To register, visit bit.ly/mindfulnessatbiomed.

Sept. 4, 5 – 7 PM (Goddard Breezeway): **BGSA Welcome Back Happy Hour.** Join the Biomedical Graduate Student Association (BGSA) in celebrating the start of a new year! First year students are especially encouraged to attend! Bring IDs. See flyer [here](#).

Penn Today Events

To explore a wide variety of academic and social events happening across campus, visit: <https://penntoday.upenn.edu/events>.

RESOURCES

[BGSA Website](#)

[Calendar of BGSA Events](#)

For information about upcoming events or to advertise in next week's bulletin, contact [Rebecca Lopez](#).