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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BGS COVID-19 Information and Resources

The BGS website has been updated with a [new page](#) featuring BGS-specific information and resources as well as links to other Penn resources. Be sure to check out the video featuring messages from BGS faculty and staff! Other resources especially worth noting include [MyQuarantineIDP – Action Plan for Remote Learning](#) and the links to [Virtual Training Opportunities](#) and [Technology Grants for Graduate Students](#).

2020 NSF Award Winners & Honorable Mention Recipients

BGS is proud to announce that many of our students have been selected for the 2020 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP). See the [full list](#) on the BGS website, and please join us in congratulating them!

UPCOMING EVENTS

None this week

THESIS DEFENSES

April 6, 12 PM (Meeting URL: <https://bluejeans.com/840741972>): **Daniel DeHelian (BMB)**, "Regulators of G protein Signaling (RGS) modulate platelet function to impact normal platelet physiology and the hemostatic response." [Contact Kelli McKenna](#).

April 9, 2 PM (Meeting URL: <https://bluejeans.com/984284215>): **Izmarie Poventud Fuentes (PGG)**, "Novel microfluidic systems as tools to study hemostasis." Contact [Sarah Squire](#).

April 13, 10 AM (Meeting URL: <https://bluejeans.com/501310901>): **Rizwan Saffie (CAMB)**, "FBXW7 triggers degradation of KMT2D to favor growth of mature B-type malignant cells." Contact [Kathy O'Connor-Cooley](#).

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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ANNOUNCEMENT

- **New!** Check out this week's PennNeuroKnow article [Artificial Sweeteners and the Brain](#) by Nitsan Goldstein. Are they really better for you?
- Use the new [GFAP form](#) when making purchases and asking for reimbursements.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Meeting link for all the following daily 'Meet an NGG alumni'

sessions: <https://bluejeans.com/2277199130>

04/06 8:30pm – 9:00pm - NGG Alumni Speaker

04/07 12:00pm – 12:30pm - NGG Alumni Speaker

04/08 8:30pm – 9:00pm - NGG Alumni Speaker

04/09 8:30pm – 9:00pm - NGG Alumni Speaker

04/10 8:30pm – 9:00pm - NGG Alumni Speaker

Meeting link for the LGBTQ+ discussion: <https://upenn.bluejeans.com/2277199130>

04/10 12pm – 1pm - hosted by Dani Bassett and including Becky Ashare, Gideon Nave, and Roy Hamilton

FUTURE EVENTS

04/15 5:30pm – 7:30pm - BiB writing workshop

04/17 12:00pm – 1:00 pm - Resilience workshop with Heather Hersh

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The Data Incubator's Summer 2020 Fellowship (Virtual)

The Data Science Fellowship Program has announced that they are moving their Spring 2020 Cohort to an online format. The deadline to apply is **May 2, 2020**.

Program: The Data Incubator is an intensive 8 week fellowship that prepares masters students, PhDs, and postdocs in STEM and social science fields seeking industry careers as data scientists. The program is free for Fellows and supported by sponsorships from hundreds of employers across multiple industries. In response to the overwhelming interest in our earlier sessions, we will be holding another fellowship.

Who Should Apply: Anyone who has already obtained a masters or PhD degree or who is within one year of graduating with a masters or PhD is welcome to apply. Applications from international students are welcome.

Application Link: <https://www.thedataincubator.com/fellowship/apply.html>

Session Dates: 2020-06-29 – 2020-08-21

Daily Phone “Drop-Ins” with Penn Career Services

In place of walk-ins, Career Services is offering a variety of phone and web appointments, which students can schedule through [Handshake](#). These include the option for same-day, 15-minute appointments with a career adviser. New appointment times open up every day at 9:15 AM ET. To schedule an appointment, sign in to Handshake and click the “Career Center” tab near the top right corner.

Twitter users can also follow [@PennCareerJobs](#), a daily automated feed that highlights new job posts. And be sure you’ve customized your email settings in Handshake to receive a weekly newsletter featuring jobs and resources tailored to you! Detailed instructions on how to do so are available [here](#).

RESOURCES

[BGS Career Development Site](#)

[BGS Career Twitter](#)

[BGS Alumni & Current Students LinkedIn](#)

[Black Women in Computational Biology Network](#)

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

[Handshake](#)

[Request a sponsored Membership to the New York Academy of Sciences](#)

STUDENT RESOURCES

[Slack for BGS Students](#)

[BGSA Website](#)

[Grad Center at Penn](#)

[Family Center at Penn](#)

[Ask Isaac: Your Personal IS Guru](#)

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