

Postdoc Opportunities - 4/5/2022

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Dear MU postdocs,

Find below some useful information for you. The new opportunities that I have not shared before are in blue.

External Awards, Fellowships, & Prizes

- Interdisciplinary Plant Group (IPG) Travel Award for Scientific Conferences for postdocs in IPG associated labs
 - Click [here](#) for more information and application.
- The R&D Postdoctoral Challenge by AstraZeneca
 - Participating in the R&D Postdoctoral Challenge has the potential to springboard careers whilst making a meaningful difference to patients and science.
 - Shortlisted applicants will have the opportunity to pitch their research proposals to a world-leading judging panel with the potential to be awarded a fully funded postdoctoral position at AstraZeneca.
 - Deadline: May 26, 2022. More information [here](#) and submit a proposal [here](#).
- See more funding opportunities [here](#) and search [Pivot](#). Pivot is a searchable database of funding opportunities that also helps identify potential collaborators. You can also create alerts based on keywords and areas of interest.

Presentations/Workshops

- Statewide Restorative Practices Conference
“Where We Have Been, Where We Are Going: Restorative Practices in Missouri”
 - This conference is designed for anyone with an interest in restorative practices, including educators, justice professionals, managers, human resource professionals, students, community members, faith leaders, mental health and social work practitioners, conflict professionals, and more.
 - Friday, April 8, 8 am - 4:45 pm via Zoom. Register [here](#).
- Becoming a Public Scholar Part 2: Tools for engagement
 - Without public engagement, your important research findings may remain solely in academic journals and never reach the public. Learn why and how researchers should be on the frontlines of direct social change leading activities related to broader impacts. Public scholarship is vital for communicating the value of research and scientific discoveries for individuals and our community. Learn from the panelists of engagement experts about how they approach engagement and the support on campus that can help amplify your message.
 - Friday, April 8, 12 – 1:30 pm. Register [here](#).
- Putting Your Best Foot Forward – Career Conference: Framing Your Future
 - Good interview skills are always vital. Interviewers want to know that you can do the work, but there are specific qualities interviewers look for to help them determine your ultimate suitability to fill a position. Discover how to identify best practices for the interview process and strategies for you to stand out every time.
 - Tuesday, April 12, 10 – 11 am. Register [here](#).
- What’s Your Worth: Be Your Own Best Advocate – Career Conference: Framing Your Future
 - Negotiating salary can be stressful and requires practice. Whether it’s for a first job or future raise, negotiating increases your potential to earn more and determines future salaries. Learn smart strategies for a salary negotiation, and how to make a persuasive and successful request that works for both you and your employer.

- Tuesday, April 12, 1 – 2 pm. Register [here](#).
- You're Hired: Careers In Academia, Non-Profit & Science Communication – Career Conference: Framing Your Future
 - You did the work and got the degree, so what's next? Jon Stemmler will mediate a discussion between Jaapna Dhillon, Jackie Glascock, and Josh Mueller about their career paths and how to achieve yours.
 - Thursday, April 14, 1 – 2 pm. Register [here](#).
- Mastering Academic Time Management
 - If you are an aspiring professor, this is for you!
 - Are struggling with research & writing, feeling limited mentoring & community, and/or difficulty balancing work & family? This webinar is specifically designed to address these issues and provide participants with concrete skills.
 - Thursday, April 14, 1 - 2:30 pm. Register [here](#). The University of Missouri is an institutional member of the National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity (NCFDD), and as such you get a free account. If you have not registered with NCFDD yet, click [here](#) to register with your Mizzou email.
- How to Translate Your Research for a General Audience
 - This session will be focused on translating your research for a general audience online. The webinar will include practical tips and insights from working in educational digital media. Topics covered will include: 1) Using online platforms and social media to spread the word about your work, 2) Creating videos, op-eds, articles, podcasts, etc. that entertain while educating, and 3) How to effectively write for a wide range of non-specialist viewers outside your area of expertise.
 - Tuesday, April 19, 1 pm - 2 pm. Register [here](#).
- Interpreting Student Feedback Data to Improve Teaching
 - Instructors in higher education can use the wealth of data collected by student feedback instruments to identify both notable details and instructive patterns in the data that we might otherwise overlook. This workshop will explore how we can use these details and patterns to construct a more meaningful story of the teaching and learning experience.
 - Tuesday, April 19, 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm. Register [here](#).
- NPA Course: NPA SmartSkills
 - SmartSkills is a free, virtual course for postdocs. Monthly classes are taught by experts and focus on building skills critical to career and personal success. Postdocs can earn a certificate from the NPA by attending 10 out of the 12 skills classes.
 - Mizzou is an institutional member of the National Postdoctoral Association (NPA) and Mizzou's postdocs are entitled to free affiliate (individual-level) membership to NPA. Click [here](#) to obtain your free membership.
 - Takes place the fourth Tuesday of each month, at 2 pm.

Diverse Career Opportunities

- [Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies, Penn English](#) - University of Pennsylvania
 - M.A. required; Ph.D. strongly preferred.
- [Mathematics Center Director](#) - University System of New Hampshire
 - Master's degree in mathematics, mathematics education, or a related field. Experience with providing student academic support, e.g., teaching or tutoring. Communication and writing skills.

Tax Assistance Programs

- US Tax Residents
 - [Volunteer Income Tax Assistance \(VITA\)](#) by the Family Impact Center of MU Extension

Starting Jan. 31, on Mondays on a walk-in basis from 9 am -12 pm and 3 pm - 5:30 pm (no services on March 14)

- [Free Income Tax Help 2022 at the Columbia Public Library](#)
Take appointments starting January 17, and the program will run Feb. 1 – April 15th.
- Nonresident taxpayers
 - The University of Missouri - Columbia campus provides discounted access to [Sprintax](#). The cost of preparing the federal return is covered by the University when a code is used. The code is 21UOMC750F. However, [Sprintax](#) will charge you directly for state tax returns. Their software will guide you through the tax return process and provide instructions on how to submit the forms, both federal and state, and what to do if you owe additional tax or expect a tax refund.
 - Nonresidents on F, J, M, and Q visas are also required to file [form 8843](#), even if no income was earned during the year. (If you had no income and only need to file [form 8843](#), you may use [Sprintax](#), or file the form yourself by downloading it and mailing it on your own.)
 - If you are unsure of your tax status for 2021, you may send an inquiry to umsharedservicesu1@umsystem.edu or you may begin the tax filing process with [Sprintax](#) as detailed above. The first couple of screens in their software will determine your tax residency for 2021 at no cost to you.

Please do not hesitate to email me or click [here](#) to schedule an appointment to discuss grant writing, career opportunities, or any other matters concerning you.

Best,
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