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# **Congratulations, 2024 Annual Postdoc Award Winners!**

The following postdoctoral scholars and the faculty member won the 2024 Annual Postdoctoral Awards.

- Postdoc Teaching Award: **Nargiza Buranova**, Special Education
- Postdoc Research Award: Francisco Ramirez-Perez, Endocrinology
- Faculty Mentor of the Year Award: **Scott Peck**, Professor, Department of Biochemistry

**Congratulations, Spring 2024 Postdoc Grant Winners!** 

The following postdoctoral scholars won the Fall 2023 Postdoctoral Grant Awards. The grant awards help defray the costs of conducting a clearly defined research project that is not financially supported by other grants, faculty members, or their department/division.

- Pan Ni, Civil & Environmental Engineering
- Yoko Wang, Biomedical Sciences

## **External Awards, Fellowships, & Prizes**

- <u>Science & SciLifeLab Prize for Young Scientists</u>
  - o July 15, 2024

# **Presentations/Workshops**

- Preparing Humanities PhDs for Careers in Grant-Writing and Resource Development
  - o Whether they continue in academia or pursue careers in other sectors of the workforce, PhD alumni in the humanities often require skills in entrepreneurship, grant-writing, and the cultivation of funders to support research, scholarship, and programs. Responsibilities may involve writing compelling grant proposals as well as understanding the broad range of potential funders and their expectations. Yet based on data from the PhD Career Pathways project, grant-writing was identified as an area where many PhD alumni had not received formal preparation.
  - Speakers: Katie Antony, Interim Dean of the Graduate School, University of Southern Mississippi;
    Emily Barman, Dean of the Graduate School and Vice Provost of Graduate Education, Loyola
    University Chicago; Dana Williams, Dean of the Graduate School, Howard University
  - o 1 -2 pm, May 1, 2024

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#### MU Postdoctoral Association – MUPA

- MUPA Hike and/or Explore a Bat Cave
  - Meet Rock Bridge Memorial State Park at the Devil's Icebox Entrance
  - Please email Skylar King if you need a ride.
  - Saturday, May 4, 2024 at 2:30 pm

**Featured Articles** 

- <u>I struggled after moving internationally for a postdoc. Here's how my family and I coped</u> Science.org
- Why Canada is restricting international students and why the U.S. won't see big growth The Chronicle of Higher Education

#### Resources

- Sphere Communities
  - SPHERE is a multi-institutional community of postdocs and postdoc officers in non-biomedical disciplines. The focus is to identify and meet the needs of non-biomed postdocs strategically. It works in discipline groups to create and disseminate relevant programming and resources. The current discipline groups are engineering, humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences.

**Volunteering Opportunities** 

- Are you interested in offering Small Group Seminars (SGS) for the summer undergraduate research participants?
  - MU Office of Undergraduate Research is looking for volunteers to offer SGSs for the summer undergraduate research participants. MU expects around 120 undergraduates in engineering, psychology, biomedical research, and other disciplines. Topics can be serious science, popular science/scholarship, science/society, or professional development. The SGS sessions would run the week of June 3 through the week of July 15th. Facilitators (or co-facilitators) can propose their own topic.
  - Topics in the past have included:
    - 3D modeling and printing
    - Best practices of data visualization
    - Deep dive into fellowships
    - Disease ecology
    - Disease models for human diseases
    - Evolution & Society
    - Intersection of science, ethics, and the public
    - Learning to read the primary literature/journal club (epigenetics, cancer, plants)
    - Modern approaches to animal form and function
    - Plants and People (food, medicine, drinks, energy, fiber)
    - Plant Stress Research
    - Single molecule biophysics
  - o If you are interested, please contact <u>Dr. Linda Blockus</u> or <u>Dr. Sarah Humbeld</u>.

#### **Diverse Career Opportunities**

- Program Director, University Writing Center Brandeis University in Waltham, MA
- <u>Sr. Writer, Office of the President</u> Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD

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• Education/Training Specialist III - University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

### **LinkedIn Group: MU Office of Postdoctoral Education**

• Join the <u>MU postdoc LinkedIn group</u> to view and share professional and career development opportunities. Many postdoc, industry, academic, and non-profit jobs and funding opportunities are shared daily.

#### **Postdoc Consultations**

• Click <u>here</u> to schedule an appointment with Valli Sarveswaran (Director of Postdoctoral Education) to discuss your career & professional development needs, or to discuss any other matters concerning you.

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