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The OPDT Website is now live!

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Find us under www.queensu.ca/postdoc

The new website for the Office of Post-Doctoral Training was launched this week! On this website, prospective, incoming and current post-docs will find information and resources. Please contact me at sgspostdoc@queensu.ca for any comments or questions about the website.

You can [follow the OPDT on twitter](#) to stay up to date on events, funding opportunities and other news.

We have also created a [Google group](#). This is intended as a forum for Queen's post-docs to communicate and network. You may e.g. wish to post about subletting your house or apartment, about social events or other types of questions or tips that may be of interest to your fellow post-docs. You don't need to create a google email address to become a group member. This group will also give you the opportunity to discuss ways in which the OPDT could support your post-doctoral experience at Queen's.



I hope you will find these resources helpful and I look forward to hearing from you!
Rebecca Hügler
Coordinator, Office of Post-Doctoral Training

[Read more on the OPDT Website](#)

Mitacs Elevate Competition

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Deadlines: August 6 (Letter of Intent) and August 19 (application deadline)

The Summer Mitacs Elevate competition is now open! Mitacs Elevate is currently accepting applications until **August 19, 2014**. Applicants are encouraged to submit a letter of intent no later than August 6 in order to receive feedback on their research proposal and eligibility. Mitacs Elevate supports postdoctoral fellows and Canadian companies and partners to collaborate on cutting-edge research projects and build capacity for the next generation of R&D management leaders.

[Learn more about Mitacs Elevate](#)

Reminder: Changes to 2014-15 Banting PDF Competition

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Deadline September 24

The timelines and eligibility criteria for the 2014-2014 Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship Competition have changed. The competition launched on May 9 and the deadline for applications is on **September 24**. Decisions will be announced on January 30, 2015. There are also changes to the eligibility window for degree completion, specifically for:
1. those who have not completed their degree requirements for a PhD, PhD-equivalent or health professional degree at the time of application; and
2. health professionals who have engaged in post-degree clinical training.
There are also some important changes to institutional documents. Find more information on the Banting PDF website.

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Green Talents - International Forum for High Potentials in Sustainable Development [\(Back to Top\)](#)

Deadline for submission: 16 June 2014, 12 p.m. CET

Since 2009, the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) has held the prestigious "Green Talents – International Forum for High Potentials in Sustainable Development" to promote the international exchange of ideas regarding green solutions.

Post-doctoral Fellows and graduate students whose research focuses on sustainability and who are 32 and under at the time of application are eligible to apply. The award honours 25 young researchers from around the world each year. The winners come from various scientific disciplines and are recognised for their outstanding achievements in making our societies more sustainable. The Green Talents 2014 will be selected by a high-ranking jury of German experts and are granted unique access to the elite of the country's sustainability research field. This includes:

- An invitation to Germany in 2014 to participate in the fully funded two-week science forum. While touring Germany, top locations will open their doors to the Green Talents and offer them an exclusive insight into their facilities and projects.
- A chance to present themselves and their work in personal discussions held as part of individual appointments with experts of their choice (during the two-week science forum).
- A second invitation to Germany in 2015 for a fully funded research stay of up to three months. At an inspiring location of their choice, the Green Talents will gain new experiences and advance their professional careers while establishing long-lasting partnerships.
- Exclusive access to the "Green Talents Network" of over 100 high potentials in sustainable development from over 35 countries.

Deadline for submission: 16 June 2014, 12 p.m. CET.

[Learn more about Green Talents](#)

Endeavour Scholarships and Fellowships [\(Back to Top\)](#)

Application Deadline: 30 June 2014 at 11:59 pm Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST).

Endeavour Scholarships and Fellowships are internationally competitive, merit-based scholarships provided by the Australian Government that support citizens of the Asia-Pacific, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas to undertake study, research and professional development programmes in Australia and for Australians to undertake these programmes overseas. The Endeavour Scholarships and Fellowships programme forms part of the Australia Awards initiative established in 2009, which brings together under one banner scholarships offered by the Department of Education (the Department), Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research.

This program offers opportunities for post-doctoral research.

Application Deadline: 30 June 2014 at 11:59 pm Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)

[Learn more about Endeavour Fellowships](#)

Fulbright Canada - Awards for Canadian Scholars [\(Back to Top\)](#)

The 2015-16 competition deadline is November 15, 2014

Traditional Fulbright awards are open to Canadian scholars in all fields and are designed to enable emerging and established scholars, post-doctoral researchers and experienced professionals to conduct research, teach, or undertake a combination of both activities for one semester or a full academic year at any university or research centre of their choice in the United States.

Specialization:

While the competition is open to all disciplines, Fulbright Canada is particularly interested in encouraging research on contemporary issues relevant to Canada, the United States and the relationship between the two countries.

Competition deadline: November 15, 2014

[Learn more about Fulbright Awards](#)

Post-Doctoral Position at UWO School of Occupational Therapy [\(Back to Top\)](#)

Closing date: August 11, 2014

This post-doctoral opportunity is connected with a SSHRC-funded collaborative ethnography that is examining transformations to social policies and service practices addressing long-term unemployment since the 2008 recession, and the implications of these for the negotiation of services and everyday life by persons experiencing long-term unemployment.

[More information on this opportunity](#)

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Philosopher's Café at the Agnes Etherington Art Centre | Easter Seals Volleyball Tournament

Philosopher's Café: War, Peacekeeping and Canada's Military

Featuring Major Brent Beardsley in conversation with Jamie Swift
Sunday, 8 June, 2–3:15 pm, free event

The Agnes Etherington Art Centre hosts a Philosopher's Café on the topic of war, peacekeeping and Canada's military. This event will feature Major Brent Beardsley, who served for 32 years, around the world, as an infantry officer in the Canadian Forces. Jamie Swift, a Kingston author and activist affiliated with Queen's University will facilitate the discussion.

[Read more on the AEAC Website.](#)

Easter Seals Volleyball Tournament – 21 June 2014

Register today for the KPMG beach volleyball tournament and help support children with disabilities in our community. Saturday June 21 at Kingston Expert Tees, 1165 Collins Bay Road.

All proceeds from the tournament will be used by Easter Seals to assist in the purchase of costly mobility equipment and communication devices, fully accessible summer camps, and other recreational programs for local children and youth with physical disabilities. Registration for the tournament has already begun. There are 3 different divisions to choose from this year based on your skill level and experience and each team can have 4-6 players. The tournament will start at 8:30 am and end at approximately 4 pm. Great prizes will be awarded for the top teams in each division, the top individual fundraiser and the best team spirit.

Register online on the [Easter Seals Website.](#)

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