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Post-Doc Social Committee and Peer Mentoring Program

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The Post-Doc Social Committee had its first meeting this week and many ideas were shared. Some of the initiatives we are planning include social events for post-docs, their partners and children, as well as ideas for a peer mentoring group for post-docs to support each other with grant writing or job applications and to practice communication skills (e.g. for academic job interviews). All events that are planned will be advertised through this newsletter. If you are interested in getting involved in planning events for post-docs, please email sgspostdoc@queensu.ca. All post-docs are welcome to participate!

Winter Term Course for Post-Docs: Teaching and Learning in Higher Education

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Post-Docs can still register for the Winter 2015 course "Teaching and Learning in Higher Education", offered free of charge by the Centre for Teaching and Learning. This course is intended for graduate students and post-doctoral fellows across the disciplines who want to develop as skilled, thoughtful, and confident post-secondary teachers. The course has been organized in such a way as to balance theory and practice and to support both conceptual and skill development.

As part of the development experience you will assemble teaching dossiers to document your teaching effectiveness and on-going professional development. Through participation in the course, you'll experience and experiment with a broad range of instructional strategies, and, along with the feedback you'll get from the course instructors, you will benefit from self- and peer-assessment techniques to monitor progress.

[More information and how to register](#)

Expanding Horizons Workshops

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Upcoming Workshops include:

Mechanics of Writing

Date: Tuesday, November 11

Time: 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Venue: Gordon Hall, Rm 325A (Career Services)

Research Data Centre: why it plays a role in your research

Date: Thursday, November 13

Time: 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Venue: Gordon Hall, Rm 325A (Career Services)

Time Management: Avoiding procrastination & maintaining momentum

Date: Monday, November 17

Time: 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Venue: Kinesiology & Health Sciences Building, Room 101 - please note change of venue

[Register for workshops here](#)

Reminder: Fulbright Canada-US Scholar Awards

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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. Applicants must be Canadian Citizens. Deadline to apply: **November 15**

CIHR Funding Opportunities

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Reminder: Applications for the 2014-2015 CIHR Fellowship competition are due on **November 14, 2014**. Details on application process and eligibility criteria can be found on [ResearchNet](#).

Other CIHR Opportunities:

Science Policy Fellowships, a program designed with the goal of establishing and nurturing critical links between policy makers and external researchers in support of evidence-based public policy by providing short-term policy assignments. These short-term assignments will provide recipients with the opportunity to learn about how government works and how public policies are made. Stipend/Salary starts at \$35,000/year. Deadline: **December 12, 2014**

Science to Business : CIHR's Science to Business (S2B) program is designed to encourage individuals with PhDs in a health related field to pursue an MBA. Stipend: \$30,000/year. Deadline: **February 20, 2015**

IHDCYH Talks Video Competition : The Institute of Human Development, Child and Youth Health (IHDCYH) supports research that ensures the best start in life for all Canadians and the achievement of their potential for optimal growth and development. IHDCYH is launching a unique funding opportunity to invite researchers from all pillars and career levels to produce a short 3-5 minute video to share their research and ideas in the area of reproductive, child and youth health. Value of Award: A first place prize of \$5000 and 3 runner-up prizes of \$3000. Deadline: **November 17, 2014**

Visiting Fellowships in Canadian Government Laboratories Program (NSERC)

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The Visiting Fellowships in Canadian Government Laboratories (VF) Program provides promising emerging scientists and engineers with the opportunity to work with research groups or leaders in Canadian government laboratories and research institutions. Fellowships are awarded for one year with the possibility of renewal for a second and third year, at the discretion of the government department concerned. There are no deadlines for application to this program; applications are processed and reviewed as they are received.

[More information and application details](#)

Fondation Sciences Mathématiques de Paris Funding Opportunities

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The Fondation Sciences Mathématiques de Paris offers several funding programs, among them post-doctoral positions in mathematics and in computer science. These positions are for one or two year and are to be filled as from 1st October 2015, in the research laboratories affiliated to the Foundation. Positions are open to holders of a doctorate in mathematics or computer science, obtained in France or in a foreign country before October 1st, 2015 and defended after January, 15th 2012 (January, 15th 2011 in case of maternity leave). Deadline: **December 01, 2014 (23h59 Paris Time)**.

[More information on this opportunity](#)

Gerda Henkel Foundation Research Scholarships

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The Gerda Henkel Foundation launches a further application round of its Special Programme "Security, Society, and the State". The funding initiative targets new security-related issues that are prime examples of the post-Cold-War era but have been largely neglected in mainstream research. The focus lies on current, multi-faceted and dynamic security issues, the changing role of the state and the cooperation with non-governmental and traditional actors. The research programme addresses scholars of all disciplines in the humanities and social sciences. Application Deadline: **December 5, 2014**

[More information and contact details for this opportunity](#)

Reminder: Mitacs Accelerate Program

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Through Mitacs Accelerate, graduate students and post-doctoral fellows from over 50 universities apply their specialized expertise to business-related research challenges. Interns spend approximately half of the time on-site with the industry partner; the remainder is spent at the university advancing the research under the guidance of a faculty supervisor. This competition is open to all disciplines and all industry sectors, projects can span a wide range of areas, including: manufacturing, technical innovation, business processes, IT, social sciences, design, and more. Applications are accepted any time (no deadlines). Both Canadian and international applicants are eligible. Funding starts at \$15,000/4 months.

[More information on Mitacs Accelerate](#)

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All work and no play isn't good for anybody, not even post-docs. If you are looking for things to do for you and your family, check out www.queensevents.ca to find information on concerts, socials, sports and more. Or get involved with the post-doc social committee!

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