For the Week of September 27, 2015

Graduate School News

Get Your Flu Shot This Week

Complete your flu shot requirement early by going to one of these flu blitzes this week:

→ All faculty and staff must comply with the seasonal flu vaccine policy by Dec. 31. For
information, visit OneSource's Influenza Updates site.

**Biomedical Sciences Annual Retreat**

Mark your calendar for the Biomedical Sciences Annual Retreat on **Thursday, December 8:45 am-1:15 pm**. The Retreat will be held at the OSU Faculty Club; a continental breakfast will be provided. Students, please invite your mentor. A detailed agenda will be sent later.

We would like to invite and encourage all post-candidacy students to apply to be speakers. We will have 8 student speakers, and two will win a $1,000 travel award and the Best Speaker will be awarded an additional $500 award from Procter & Gamble. To participate as a speaker, Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program Student Travel Award Competition, write a one-page abstract about your research project and return as a MS Word attachment to bsg by **Friday, October 16**. Abstracts will be reviewed by a faculty Committee and eight students will be selected to make a 10 minute science presentation at the Retreat.

We constantly need to update your accomplishments for training grant applications, and you to also respond to a survey, that serves as an Individual Development Plan (IDP), with this important information. Plus, with this information, we will be able to highlight at accomplishments of the students. You can find the IDP at: [https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/SID=SV_03xKNhiXhN8jsyx](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/SID=SV_03xKNhiXhN8jsyx)

We are asking all students to complete the online survey by **Friday, September 25**. We look forward to receiving many outstanding abstracts and to an enjoyable and interesting Retreat.

**Tax Change Affects Autumn Stipend for GAs**

Over the summer, we were notified that the university’s pre-tax treatment of deductions for GAs participating in the Student Health Insurance Plan was not permissible. Deductions for student health participation are now being taken on an after-tax basis. GAs should see that change reflected in their autumn paychecks. GAs enrolled in the university’s faculty and staff health plan are not impacted by this change.

**Contact:** Ann Salimbene

**Other Information**

**MVIMG 7931 Research in Process Seminars**

Monday, September 28, 2015
12 pm
Room 105 Biomedical Research Tower

"The Role of Hypothalamic VGF in Energy Balance and Metabolic Adaption to Environmental Enrichment in Mice"

**Speaker:** Grant Foglesong
Graduate Research Associate

**Advisor:** Dr. Lei Caoi

**Neuroscience Seminar Series**
Please see the seminar series schedule, here. All events in this series will be held in BRT 1pm, unless otherwise noted.

**Discovery Themes Lecture**

Monday, Sept. 28, 2015  
3:30 - 5:00 p.m. (doors open at 2:30 p.m.)  
Mershon Auditorium  
1871 N. High Street | Columbus, OH 43210  
*Parking available for $5.00 at the Ohio Union South Garage*

*Co-sponsored by the Center for Ethics and Human Values, the Office of Energy and Environment, the College of Public Health, and these Discovery Themes focus areas: Infectious Disease Treatment and Prevention; Sustainable and Resilient Economy; Initiative for Food and Agricultural Transformation; and Materials and Manufacturing.*

Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland is an internationally known thought leader and advocate for human rights and a leading voice on climate change, sustainable development and global health issues.

Click here for more information or register to attend using the button below by Friday, Sept. 25, 2015.

**CCTS 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting**

What: BRUTx CCTS Annual Scientific Meeting  
When: September 29, 2015  
Where: US Bank Theater, Ohio Union  
For an agenda, please click here

**IBMR Speaker Series: Neuroinflammation, Memory Impairments and Factors of Vulnerability**

Wednesday, October 7th  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Biomedical Research Tower (BRT) 105

Ruth M. Barrientos, PhD  
Research Assistant Professor  
University of Colorado Boulder  
Department of Psychology & Neuroscience

For info, contact Jocelyn Blevins, jocelyn.blevins@osumc.edu or 293-0178

**Fulbright Canada**

**Deadline:** October 13, 2015  
Applications are now being accepted for the Fulbright Canada Programs. [Fulbright Canada awards](#) provide opportunities for outstanding American students to study and/or conduct research in Canada. Award recipients include American citizens who are graduate students, prospective graduate students, or junior professionals.” Awards also available for [American scholars](#).
**Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities Medical Ethics Conference**

The OSU Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities will be hosting the first Inaugural Conference on Professional Duty & Patient Rights in an Age of Pluralism: Questions of Making & Conscience; **October 15 and October 16, 2015** in the Ross Heart Hospital auditorium.

There will be a student paper competition during this conference. Also, for more information about the conference please click on the link. [https://ccme.osu.edu/ConferenceDetail.aspx?ID=17](https://ccme.osu.edu/ConferenceDetail.aspx?ID=17)

**Versatile PhD Panel Discussions, Fall 2015**

Versatile PhD is a secure, on-line community and resource for graduate students interested in careers outside of the traditional faculty/researcher roles. Panels of PhDs who have made the transition are a regular feature. The Graduate School subscription is open to all graduate students, faculty, alumni, and provides access to all features and content. Get started.

**Upcoming panels**

- October 19-23: Publishing (Humanities/Social Sciences)
- November 16-20: University Administration (STEM)

**OSU Presidential Fellowship**

The Presidential Fellowship (guidelines: [http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/Depo/PDF/PresHowaldSBCGuidelines.pdf](http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/Depo/PDF/PresHowaldSBCGuidelines.pdf)) recognizes the outstanding scholarly accomplishments and potential of graduate students entering the final phase of their dissertation research or terminal degree project. These fellowships provide financial support so that they may devote one year of full-time study to the completion of the dissertation or terminal degree project unimpeded by other duties. Recipients of this award embody the highest standards of scholarship for graduate programs. A minimum of a 3.6 GPA is required (a 3.8 or higher GPA is competitive).

In advance of the Graduate School's submission deadline, the Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program will need any applications of students who wish to be considered by Monday, October 5. You may email your completed application with the materials below to Amy Lahmers at [lahmers.8@osu.edu](mailto:lahmers.8@osu.edu). Once we receive student applications, we will rank the applicants and we will write the Graduate Studies Committee Chair’s nomination letter.

**Required materials:**
1. Student’s current Academic Advising Report
2. Student's complete graduate vitae
3. Abstract of dissertation proposal or terminal degree project
4. Student's research statement
5. Advisor's statement
6. Three letters of evaluation only (excluding the advisor's statement)

Please join the College of Medicine’s Office for Diversity and Inclusion and the Wexner Medical Center’s Hispanic Latino Network as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and the annual Clotilde Dent Bowen, MD Diversity Lecture Series, Thursday, October 22nd from 11:00am-12:30pm at the Ross Heart Hospital Auditorium. This year’s featured Visiting Lecturer is Valerie Romero-Leggott, MD who will speak on "Historias: Weaving Research, Patient Care and Best Practices to Improve Latino Health"

Dr. Romero-Leggott has been a primary care provider for many years on the forefront of populations burdened by socio-economic and racial and ethnic disparities. Presently, Dr. Romero-Leggott is Vice Chancellor for Diversity at the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center, Dean for Diversity in the School of Medicine, and Professor in the Department of Family Medicine. She also serves as the Executive Director of the School of Medicine Combine Program, a unique program to promote the recruitment of a diverse group of graduating New Mexico school seniors interested in New Mexico healthcare and in practicing medicine in our areas of need in the state.

Dr. Clotilde Dent Bowen was the first African American Female to graduate from OSU College of Medicine, (Class of 1947), to serve in the U.S. Army, to achieve the rank of Colonel, an chief of psychiatry in two Veteran Administration hospitals and two Army medical centers.

Refreshments will be provided. Questions, please contact HLN@osumc.edu or Valerie Blackwell-Truitt at valerie.blackwell-truitt@osumc.edu