Monday, February 3, 2014

Erik Prentice: Beyond the Lab

**Announcements**

February’s PhD Career Connections event on Thursday, February 13 features BRET Associate Dean, **Kathy Gould**, and is titled, "Taking Charge of Your Career: Reflections of a Mentor-Scientist." This is one seminar not to miss!

Check out the next installment of **Beyond the Lab**, featuring Erik Prentice, Senior Engagement Manager with Proactive Worldwide.

If you are interested in attending the **Nashville Area Career Fair** on February 11, email **Kate Stuart** to reserve and pick up tickets from the BRET Office.

The **PhD & Master’s Virtual Career Fair** will be held on February 19.

Don’t miss the seminar led by Dr. Vivian Siegel on Thursday, February 20: **Writing and Publishing Research Manuscripts**. Registration requested.

Check out the next installment of the **Alumni Spotlight series** on local alumna Kim Kowalk, a medical...
Check out the next installment of the Alumni Spotlight Series on local alumna KIM KORWEK, a medical writer with HCA. The interview is written by trainee Rubin Baskir.

It’s time to begin prepping for the academic search! Read about the required documents and communicating with prospective academic employers on our blog.

Consider attending Careers in Campus Administration and Education: the Alternate Academic Path panel on Thursday, February 27. Panelists have used their degrees in non-faculty careers on a college campus.

Versatile PhD is hosting "Careers in Finance for STEM PhDs" online panel from February 10-14.

The TechVenture Challenge kickoff is tomorrow, February 4, at 5:30pm in the Owen Averbuch Auditorium.

The Office of Science and Technology Policy is currently accepting applications for its Summer 2014 Internship Program.

The NIH SBIR Phase I Program for First-Time Applicants will be offered February 5 and 6, from 7 - 9pm, CST.

Internships are available with the Department of Education.

Upcoming Deadlines:

- ASM/CDC Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program: February 15
- California Science and Technology Policy Fellowship: February 28
- Liane B. Russell Early Career Fellowship: March 4
- Health Communications Internship Program, NCI: March 4
- SMART Postdoctoral Scholarship: April 14
- ASM Robert D. Watkins Graduate Research Fellowship: May 1
- ASM Kadner Institute Program: May 15
- Eppendorf & Science Prize for Neurobiology: June 15
- Proctor & Gamble FIRST conference: June 30
BRET EVENTS

Resume 101
Thursday, February 6
Led by Kim Petrie. Registration required. Space is limited.

PhD and Master’s Virtual Career Fair
Wednesday, February 19
Meet employers in a virtual setting.

Writing and Publishing Research Manuscripts with Dr. Vivian Siegel
Thursday, February 20
Led by Dr. Vivian Siegel. Registration requested.

Careers in Campus Administration and Education: the Alternate Academic Path
Thursday, February 27
Featuring panelists from the Robert Penn Warren Center, Center for Second Language Studies, VIRG, Peabody Research Institute, and CTTC

Developing and Maintaining Effective Communication Skills in Research Environment (School of Medicine postdocs only)
March 4 and March 6
Led by BRET psychologist Mistie Germek, registration required.

PhD Career Connections: Writing
Wednesday, March 12
Featuring Elise Lamar, PhD; Stephen Ornes, and Bill Snyder. More information is upcoming.

ASPIRE to Connect workshop
Tuesday, March 18
Gain practical tips and learn techniques to meet new people and cultivate authentic professional connections. You will learn:

- Strategies and etiquette for professional communication
- How to develop an ‘elevator speech’ to confidently describe yourself and what you do
- Ways to network effectively at professional conferences
- The power of LinkedIn as a research and networking tool
- Appropriate ways to follow up with new acquaintances

More information is upcoming.

PhD Career Connections: Technical Consulting
Thursday, April 10
Featuring Dr. Jason Clevenger, PhD, Principal Scientist, Exponent. More information is upcoming.

Save the Date for Future Events...
May 30, 2014: BRET Career Symposium "Exploring Avenues to Careers in Academia"

Other Events

TechVenture Challenge kickoff
Tuesday, February 4

CIRTL Coffee Hour for Postdocs: Responsible Conduct
Monday, February 10

"Careers in Finance for STEM PhDs" online panel by Versatile PhD
February 10-February 14

Nashville Area Career Fair
Tuesday, February 11 (tickets required for attendance)

Kerafast Lunch and Learn with Vanderbilt CTTC
Tuesday, February 11
CIRTL Coffee Hour for Postdocs: Mentoring and Being Mentored
Monday, March 10

Setting Expectations and Resolving Conflict in Graduate Education (Save the date! More details available soon.)
March 20

Careers in Medical Genetics - An Informational Session for Students at the ACMG Annual Meeting
Wednesday, March 26

3MT (Three Minute Thesis) Competition
Friday, April 4

CIRTL Coffee Hour for Postdocs: Networking
Monday, April 14

CIRTL Coffee Hour for Postdocs: The Voice of Experience
Monday, May 12

Spotlight

"Planning a Career in Today's Landscape"

Don’t miss the Science Careers article by November 2013 PhD Career Connections’ speaker Kenneth Gibbs who shares his experience when he made the nerve-wracking decision to step away from lab science. He highlights his non-traditional journey since.

Job Postings

If you would like to advertise an open job or postdoc position in the BRET Office of Career Development newsletter, please post the opportunity through our webform or contact Kate Stuart. We welcome submissions from faculty, alumni, postdocs, students, and the community.

Below is a digest of the available jobs that have been posted on the Career Development blog in the past few weeks. If you’re interested in being notified of job postings as we receive them, subscribe to the RSS feed using the attached link.

- Postdoctoral Fellow, Cell and Developmental Biology, VUMC
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Cardiovascular Medicine, VUMC
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Biomedical Sciences, Midwestern University
- Assistant Professor, Biomedical Science, Ryerson University
- Program Assistant, Science & Technology Innovation Program, Woodrow Wilson Center
- Bioinformatics, Strategic Analysis, Arlington, VA
- Legislative Specialist, National Science Foundation