EVENTS OF THE FORTNIGHT

**Talk by Tobin Smith, Vice President for Policy, Association of American Universities**
Monday, November 6 • 10:45am • Wilson 103
[Register here.](#)

**Seminar on Engaging the Public with Social Media**
Presented by Emily Cloyd, AAAS
Monday, November 6 • 4:30pm • Student Life Center Meeting Rooms 1 and 2
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**CV/Resume Drop-In Clinic**
Wednesdays • 12:30-1:30pm • Light Hall 340
**Cancelled November 1st due to staff conference**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an interest in how policy shapes academic research, or careers in science policy, advocacy, or government administration, consider attending either or both of these fantastic opportunities on Monday, November 6.

- **Talk by Tobin Smith, Vice President for Policy, Association of American Universities** (Mr. Smith will describe the history of federal funding for STEM basic research and speak to current events affecting the outlook for federally funded university research.)

- **Seminar on Engaging the Public with Social Media** (This 1-hour seminar will provide guidance to scientists who wish to engage publics via social media. It is designed to build skills for public engagement via social media, confidence in social media as a way to engage public audiences, and appreciation for public engagement approaches.)

*Sponsored by the Vanderbilt Graduate School, BRET Office of Career Development, Vanderbilt University Office of Federal Relations, the College of Arts and Sciences, the Office of News & Public Affairs, and the Vanderbilt Science Policy Group.*
Join the Office of the Vice Provost for Research on November 2 for the talk “An Overview of the Army Research Lab and the Role of Intelligent Things on the Future Battlefield” featuring Army Research Lab’s Chief Scientist, Dr. Alexander Kott.

The Presidential Management Fellows Program (PMF) is a prestigious leadership development program designed to help advanced degree candidates and advanced degree holders enter a career in the US Federal Government. Selected PMF Finalists are eligible to work in a managerial/ administrative role (not research) at a range of government agencies. The two-week application process ends Wednesday, November 1.

The Women’s Center is sponsoring a salary negotiation workshop for graduate and professional students and staff on November 1.

Did you know you could attend Life Science Tennessee’s LST CON conference for free?

VU Alumna Lindsey Morris will be speaking at the Greater Nashville Healthcare Analytics Meetup on November 14. Hear her talk, “Crafting Your Professional Development Toolset for a Career in Healthcare Data Science.”

An informational webinar on the AAAS Mass Media Science and Engineering Fellowship will be held on November 7th. The application for the fellowship is available from October 16-January 15.

Applications are being accepted for the 2018 Competition of the iBiology Young Scientist Seminars (YSS). In collaboration with the Albert and Mary Lasker Foundation and the Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science at Stony Brook University, iBiology hosts the YSS video series that features PhD candidates and postdocs giving talks about their research.
During the 2017 Annual Career Symposium and the BRET Reunion this past June, the BRET Office of Career Development interviewed almost 20 alumni for the YouTube series, Beyond the Lab. Check out the newest addition to the great series:

**Business Development**

*Raymond Price, PhD, MBA*, Vice President, Business Development, DiscoverX

**Competitive Intelligence**

*JJ Owen, PhD*, Partner, IntelliSight Partners

*Lori Rudolph-Owen, PhD*, Vice President, Portfolio Management and Assessment, TESARO, Inc

**Data Science**

*Janina Jeff, PhD*, Global Bioinformatics Specialist, Illumina

**Drug Development**

*Michael Zinda, PhD*, Executive Vice President, Head of Research and Development, Repare Therapeutics USA

**Faculty**

* Gunnar Kwakye, PhD*, Assistant Professor, Neuroscience, Oberlin College

* Leslie Kwakye, PhD*, Assistant Professor, Neuroscience, Oberlin College

*Michelle Mazei-Robinson, PhD*, Assistant Professor, Physiology and Neuroscience, Michigan State University

*AJ Robison, PhD*, Assistant Professor, Physiology and Neuroscience, Michigan State University

*Victor J. Torres, PhD*, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology, New York University School of Medicine

**Government Administration**

*Kristen Herring, PhD*, Project Officer, Division of CBRN Medical Countermeasures, Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority
See all videos on the BRET Office of Career Development website.

The ASPIRE Program along with the Office of Career Development is excited to offer ASPIRE Internships. If interested in any of these opportunities, please email Ashley Brady to set up a brief meeting to discuss your interest.

ASPIRE Part-Time Paid Internship: Insight Genetics Intern, Nashville (Deadline is Monday, November 20)

Let Ashley Brady know if you have questions that aren’t addressed in our ASPIRE Internship FAQs page. For more information, including eligibility requirements, please visit the internship page.

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**ASPIRE Cafe for Postdoctoral Fellows: What to Expect from a Faculty Position Interview**  
Featuring David Cortez, PhD; Todd Graham, PhD; and Andrea Page-McCaw, PhD  
Thursday, November 16  
3:00-4:00pm  
Light Hall 407  
Sponsored by the BRET Office of Career Development

**Save the Date: PhD Career Connections**  
Thursday, November 30  
10:00am
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Thursday, December 7
10:45-11:45am
Sponsored by the BRET Office of Career Development

ASPIRE Cafe for Postdoctoral Fellows: How to Give a Chalk Talk
Featuring David Cortez, PhD; Anne Kenworthy, PhD; Chris Wright, D. Phil
Thursday, December 14
3:00-4:00pm
Light Hall 411
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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Follow us on Twitter!  @VUBRETPhDJobs

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.

Local Opportunities

**Associate Department Director, Office of Immersion Resources, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN**

**Director, Center for STEM Education and Outreach, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA**

Other Opportunities

**Assistant Director, Employer Relations and Experiential Education, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL**

**Program Director, Boston University's BEST Grant, School of Medicine, Graduate Medical Sciences, Boston, MA**

**Research Educator (Assistant Clinical Professor), University of Maryland, College Park, MD**

**Scientific Program Administrator, AACR, Philadelphia, PA**

**Education Outreach and Communications Manager, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL**

**Facility Head, Confocal Microscopy Core Facility, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD**