


# GSBS at RWJMS

## September Monthly Announcements

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Hello Students!

Now that fall is here, what you will see below are a lot of grant opportunities, please check out if any would work for you. Also, there are some local resources for you, #8 is great grant writing resources via Chaser at Rutgers, which is available to all joint program students. In addition, #10 lists local events for the New York Academy of Sciences, all GSBS at RWJMS students have membership, so check out their great events.

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**1. MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF FELLOWS** Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies University of Michigan  
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48109-1070

Announces

FELLOWSHIPS: 2011-2014

IN THE HUMANITIES, ARTS, SCIENCES, AND PROFESSIONS

The Michigan Society of Fellows was founded in 1970 through grants from the Ford Foundation and Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies for the purpose of promoting academic and creative excellence in the humanities, the arts, the social, physical, and life sciences, and in the professions. In 2007, the Mellon Foundation awarded a grant to add four Mellon Fellows annually in the humanities, expanding the number of fellowships awarded each year from four to eight. The objective of the Society is to provide financial and intellectual support for individuals holding advanced degrees in their fields, who are selected for their outstanding achievement, professional promise, and interdisciplinary interests. We invite applications from qualified candidates for three-year fellowships at the University of Michigan.

Candidates should be near the beginning of their professional careers. **Those selected for fellowships must have received the Ph.D. degree or comparable artistic or professional degree between June 1, 2008, and September 1, 2011.** Fellows are appointed as Assistant Professors or Research Scientists in appropriate departments and as Postdoctoral Scholars in the Michigan Society of Fellows. They are expected to be in residence in Ann Arbor during the academic years of the fellowship, to teach for the equivalent of one academic year, to participate in the informal intellectual life of the Society, and to devote time to their independent research or artistic projects. This is not an artist-in-residence program but rather an opportunity to develop one's work in conversation with fellows from a range of disciplines during the three years of the fellowship. Applications from degree candidates and recipients of the Ph.D. or comparable artistic or professional degree from the University of Michigan will not be considered.

Applications will be reviewed by Society members and University faculty. Final selections will be made in late January by Senior Fellows of the Society. Eight Fellows will be selected for three-year terms to begin September 1, 2011. The annual stipend will be \$51,500.

The online application is available at: <http://www.rackham.umich.edu/sof>  
email: [society.of.fellows@umich.edu](mailto:society.of.fellows@umich.edu)

**Application Deadline: October 18, 2010**  
An Equal Opportunity Program

## 2. DUE NOV. 1: HHMI International Student Research Fellowship Online Nominations

Dear students and faculty

HHMI has initiated a NEW fellowship program for graduate students who are in the second (or third) year of graduate study, have identified a lab and are NOT U.S. citizens, noncitizen nationals or permanent residents.

The information below was provided to Dean Scotto. The GSBS can submit 3 nominees from ALL THREE campuses of GSBS.

To be considered, student must submit DIRECTLY to Johanna Sierra (Johanna Sierra <[sierrajo@umdnj.edu](mailto:sierrajo@umdnj.edu)>) as a SINGLE PDF file

1. A personal statement from the student
2. The student's CV
3. TWO letters of recommendation, one of which must be from the advisor.

These are due WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 27, 2010.

Nominees will be forwarded to Dean Scotto for the final selection of the 3 nominees.

**3. EARLY GRADUATE STUDY FELLOWSHIPS** Graduate students who are entering their first or second year of graduate study and who are US citizens or permanent residents *may* be eligible to apply for a number of prestigious, generous, early graduate study fellowships including: the **Jacob K. Javits Graduate Fellowship** (<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/jacobjavits/index.html>), the **Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship** (<http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/fordfellowships/>), the **National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship** (<http://www.nsfgrfp.org/>) and the **Department of Energy Graduate Fellowship Program** (<http://scgf.ornl.gov/>). Information on these and additional early graduate study fellowships can be found in the Grad Fund database (<http://gradfund.rutgers.edu>) and on our Sakai Fellowship Guide (<https://sakai.rutgers.edu/portal>). Now is the time for students to work on funding applications and our appointment calendar for September and October is now open.

Please encourage your entering first year and rising second year students who may be eligible to apply for early graduate study fellowships to work on an application. Interested students should send an email to [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu) (place Early Graduate Study Fellowships in the subject line) to request an appointment and access to our Sakai Fellowship Guide.

**4. NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP Deadlines: November 15, 16, 18, 19, 22** The NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) provides fellowships to individuals selected early in their graduate careers based on their demonstrated potential for significant achievements in science and engineering. Three years of support is provided by the program for graduate study that is in a field within NSF's mission and leads to a research-based master's or doctoral degree. Students who are US citizens or permanent residents who are entering their first year (and in some cases their second year) of graduate study eligible to apply. For additional information on the program visit: <http://www.nsfgrfp.org/>

***Please encourage your eligible graduate students to apply for the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship.*** We are available to assist students with their proposal drafts.

Students who would like to apply for the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship are advised to begin to work on their applications immediately. We have proposal review appointments available in September and October. To schedule a proposal review appointment, send an email to [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu)

**5. 2011 ESRF-CALL FOR ABSTRACTS ALL MEDICAL AND GRADUATE STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT ABSTRACTS TO THE UPCOMING**

**Eastern-Atlantic Student Research Forum** hosted by the **University of Miami Miller School of Medicine**

Event is scheduled for FEBRUARY 23-26, 2010

On behalf of the entire 2011 Eastern-Atlantic Student Research Forum (ESRF) Organizing Committee, we would like to solicit your help in being our personal contact at your research institution. It is very important to all of us that your school be well represented at our 37th Annual Forum. The ESRF is a student-run and presented scientific conference in which medical, graduate, MD/PhD students, and residents present oral and poster presentations of their original basic science and clinical research. Each year, our Forum hosts participants from throughout the Eastern United States, Canada, and Europe, providing an ideal opportunity for the collegial exchange of scientific ideas and the professional development of future leaders in the medical and basic sciences. Presenters are provided extensive feedback from both peer and faculty reviewers and outstanding presentations in multiple categories are recognized with both monetary and travel awards.

As our personal contact for the 2011 ESRF, you are perhaps our best hope for reaching the many qualified students at your school who would be strong candidates for acceptance at this year's Forum. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in spreading word of the ESRF to any students you think may be particularly interested in applying.

Please inform your students and colleagues to access our website at <http://esrf.mededu.miami.edu> to download applications.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Warmest regards,

**Isabel Perez**

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**(Please see attachment)**

## **6. STUDENT WELLNESS PROGRAM / INFORMATION** A message from your Student Wellness Program: 732-235-5933

### **What is the Student Wellness Program?**

The **Student Wellness Program (SWP)** is a **free, confidential** counseling service which helps students deal effectively with stressors and other pressures related to graduate school, as well as personal problems that might impact one's academic performance (e.g., problems within one's home or academic setting).

**How confidential is the SWP?** Confidentiality is paramount to providing effective student services. Therefore, information regarding a student will not be released to anyone without written consent from the student. Additionally, because the SWP is independent from the medical school, the SWP doesn't share any university-wide databases and/or central filing systems.

**Who is eligible for services?** The Student Wellness Program services are available to all students enrolled in academic programs at participating schools on the Piscataway, Stratford/Camden and Newark campuses. Additionally, services are available to family members who reside within your household.

**What types of concerns might warrant a student using the SWP?** The SWP provides assessment, counseling and referral services. Areas that the SWP can help with include, but are not limited to the following: Personal problems, test taking anxiety, school related stress/anxiety, problems with relationships, family issues, eating disorders, alcohol & drug use, and problems with depression.

**Is there a fee for using the SWP?** **"NO"**. The SWP services are free to you as a student, and to those members of your household who reside with you.

**\*Where is the Student Wellness Program located?** The SWP has sites located on the Piscataway, Stratford/Camden and Newark campuses. In Piscataway, the SWP is easily accessible (e.g., approximately 1 mile from the main Piscataway Campus) as listed below:

**UMDNJ-University Behavioral HealthCare**

**501 Hoes Lane, Suite #202**

**Piscataway, NJ 08854**

\* For those who prefer to be seen on the Piscataway Campus, an appointment can be arranged to meet with students at 671 Hoes Lane, Room #D-421.

**How can I obtain an appointment?** Appointments may be scheduled Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the day, and evening appointments are also available (e.g., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays up until 8:00 p.m.). For an appointment in **Piscataway**, call **732-235-5933**; for **Camden**, call **856-770-5750**, and for **Newark**, call **973-972-5429**. Please identify yourself as a Student when requesting an appointment.

Also, for crises after normal business hours, please call 1-800-327-3678.

**7. RUTGERS ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY** On November 8th, Rutgers will host Entrepreneurship Day, an annual outreach event designed to connect researchers, entrepreneurs, investors, and other technology commercialization professionals. UMDNJ joined Rutgers for the Faculty Pitch Venture Forum in November 2009 which successfully united leading research universities in NJ in their technology commercialization efforts. This year, once again, Rutgers has extended an invitation for UMDNJ to join Rutgers for Entrepreneurship Day and is encouraging UMDNJ faculty, students, and entrepreneurs to attend the event. Rutgers is currently accepting poster applications for those who wish to have their technologies and startups represented. The event is free to attend, but attendees and presenters must register at the event website ([pitch.rutgers.edu](http://pitch.rutgers.edu)). "Call for Posters" announcement is also attached to this email.

If you would like to submit and/or participate in this event, please contact [UMDNJ's Office of Patents & Licensing](#) to coordinate and facilitate your participation. You can do so by sending an email to Tatiana Litvin-Vechnyak, PhD, Assistant Director of OPL. This will help us ensure that valuable intellectual property is protected properly prior to the public disclosure at the Faculty Pitch Forum. **(Please see attachment)**

**8. GRAD FUND PROPOSAL WRITING WORKSHOP SERIES Grad Fund Proposal Writing Workshop Series** We are pleased to announce that this semester we have launched our newly developed **Proposal Writing Workshop Series**. The workshop series is designed to help graduate students understand the world of grants and fellowships and to develop the proposal writing skills they will use throughout their research careers. Each workshop is a stand-alone experience. Graduate students are welcome to participate in one, two or all three workshops. The workshops will be most useful when they are taken in sequence but this is not a requirement. The workshop series will be offered regularly during the fall and spring semesters and in the summer. Pre-registration is required for some of the workshops and is requested for all. To register, please send an email to [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu) with your full name, graduate program and the name of the workshop(s) for which you would like to register.

**Proposal Writing I: An introduction to the world of grants and fellowships.**

**Proposal Writing I** is designed to provide graduate students with an introduction to the world of grants and fellowships. The workshop will provide information on what funding sources are available to graduate students, how to start the application process and how Grad Fund can assist students with their funding applications. This workshop is suitable for all graduate students. **(Workshop date: September 21, 2010, 1pm to 3pm, Busch Campus Center, Center Hall).** *Registration is requested but not required.*

**Proposal Writing II: Getting started.**

**Proposal Writing II** will help graduate students begin the writing process. This workshop will provide an overview of the typical structure for a grant or fellowship application, work with models of successful proposals and provide proposal writing tools to help students begin to write their own applications. Suitable for graduate students who have completed Proposal Writing I or who plan to begin to work on funding applications during this application cycle. **(Workshop date: September 30, 2010, 1pm to 5pm, Rutgers Student Center, Room 411 ABC, CAC)** *Registration is requested but not required.*

**Proposal Writing III: An intensive writing experience**

**Proposal Writing III** is designed for the graduate student who is already writing a fellowship or grant application and is seeking feedback on his or her work. **To participate in the workshop, a proposal draft must be emailed to [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu) by 9am on Friday, October 1, 2010.** During the workshop, participants will review and critique the submitted proposals and will spend time in the workshop revising their drafts. **(Workshop date: October 8, 2010, 9:30am-4pm, Rutgers Student Center, Room 410, CAC)** **Pre-registration by Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup> is required. To pre-register, email [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu)**

**9. 2011 ASBMB Annual Meeting: Abstract Submission Site Open** 2011 April 9-13 ASBMB Annual Meeting Washington Welcomes You! Submit now, and join us for the 2011 Annual Meeting held in conjunction with Experimental Biology on April 9-13, 2011. Hear award-winning lectures, network with fellow scientists and take in the sights of our nation's capital during the cherry blossom season.

- ASBMB Thematic Best Posters - cash prizes awarded in Washington D.C., must submit to an ASBMB topic category!
- Short talks selected from the submitted abstracts.
- Travel awards and child care grants are available!

**[This Year's Exciting Program](#)**

**Abstract Submission Deadline: November 8, 2010**

**Travel Award Deadline: November 10, 2010**

**Submit at <http://www.asbmb.org/meeting2011>**

**10. GSBS-N: NYAS careers for PhD's events **(Please see attachment)****