1. DR. RICHARD MCGEE WILL BE VISITING ON MARCH 31 AND APRIL 1ST TO TALK ABOUT GRAD STUDENT, POST-DOC AND FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

2. DR. JUDITH SWAN, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE WRITING PROGRAM AT PRINCETON, IS PRESENTING 2 WRITING WORKSHOPS ON FRIDAY APRIL 8.

3. TRAVEL AWARDS

4. SWP “DROP-IN” COUNSELING SERVICE

5. ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FOR 2011 ANNUAL STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

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1. Dr. Richard McGee will be visiting on March 31 and April 1st to talk about grad student, post-doc and faculty professional development. Dr. McGee is Associate Dean for Faculty Recruitment and Professional Development at the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. The program most relevant to graduate students is "Mentoring for and by Postdocs: How to mentor undergraduates and others, and how to get the mentoring you need." This will be presented at the Postdoctoral Career Development Program Luncheon on April 1st at 12:00-1:30 PM in the RWJMS Dean's Conference Room. RSVP to Ms. Brenda Coleman: bcoleman@umdnj.edu

2. Dr. Judith Swan, Associate Director of the Writing Program at Princeton, is presenting 2 writing workshops on Friday April 8.

   1) The grant-writing workshop "Persuasive Proposals: Structure, function, argument" is from 9:00 AM -12:30 PM.

   2) "Writing an Effective Research Article" ("Friends don't let friends write alone") is offered twice: 1:30-3:00 PM and 3:30-5:00 PM.

You should have received emails about these, with a response form to Dr. Michael Leibowitz (leibowit@umdnj.edu). If you did not receive the notice and response forms, contact Dr. Leibowitz.

   Space may be limited, so sign up early.

3. TRAVEL AWARDS

The GSBS currently offers a travel award of up to $600 for travel expenses to doctoral students who have completed an approved thesis proposal or all qualifying examinations and who are presenting papers at scientific meetings. The guidelines for these awards are at:

http://rwjms.umdnj.edu/education/gsbs/documents/2009StudentTravelAwardApprovalForm.pdf
4. SWP “Drop-In” counseling service
The Student Wellness Program (SWP) has instituted a new “Drop-In” counseling service for our students who participate in academic programs on our Piscataway, Newark and Stratford/Camden Campuses. Please note, this arrangement is envisioned as a reserved time period allocated for students; not a crisis scenario. As such in an effort to accommodate our student population, the designated days and times have been established:

Piscataway:  501 Hoes Lane, Suite# 202; 732-235-5933
Jim Walker, Ed.D. / Mondays @ 4:00 p.m.
Sarah Ben Younes-Millot, LSW / Tuesdays @ 1:00 p.m.

Newark: Behavioral Health Sciences Bldg, (183 So. Orange Ave.); 973-972-4529
Mark Chernin, Ph.D. / Thursdays @ 4:00 p.m. (Rm. # 1501)
Regina Mantarro, MA, MFT / Mondays @ 1:00 p.m. (Rm. # 1502)

Stratford/Camden: 227 Laurel Rd. # 1 Echelon Plaza; 856-770-5750

5. Abstract submission for 2011 Annual Student Symposium
Dear Graduate Students,
It is my great pleasure to announce JMBGSA's 5th Annual Student Symposium which will be held on April 20th, 2011. We encourage all students to showcase their work and gain exposure to other areas of research done by their peers on our campus. Last year we had outstanding talks and poster presentations by students of various life science departments. We hope you would support us in continuing this tradition by submitting your abstracts.
abstract submission deadline is March 31st. Abstracts can be e-mailed to patelfb@umdnj.edu or submitted online at http://www.eden.rutgers.edu/~jmbgsa/abstract_subm.html

We look forward to receiving your abstracts.

Sincerely,
Falshruti Patel