



## GSBS & RWJMS

# November Monthly Announcements

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1. **Registration for Spring 2010** using the Rutgers University online registration website located at <http://nblogistrar.rutgers.edu/> is now open and will continue until January 15th. While the Rutgers on line registration system will be open through January 15th, UMDNJ based Joint students are required to register no later than Friday, December 11th so that timely billing can be processed. Students registering after this date will be assessed a \$50 late charge. If you need any assistance, please contact Tina Cicolella at 732-235-2106.

2. **Volunteer students and faculty are needed for the 2010 New Jersey Science Olympiad Regional Tournament.** Details are attached if you are interested in participating. *(Please see attachment)*

3. **A message from your Student Wellness Program:** 732-235-5933 *(Please see attachment)*

4. **On December 10, 2009, The New York Academy of Sciences will host a special Company Day with PepsiCo, at our New York City headquarters.** This event will give the best and brightest students and early career scientists a unique opportunity to discover how PepsiCo is harnessing science and technology to address global challenges. Fifty specially selected students and early career scientists will have the unique opportunity to interact with PepsiCos leadership and to learn about the companys research opportunities. PepsiCo will also announce new funding opportunities for young scientists during this event. We invite you to nominate your best and brightest young investigators in order to participate in this opportunity. Additionally, students can self nominate, so we encourage you to share this opportunity with your academic communities. For more information, please visit [www.nyas.org/PepsiCo](http://www.nyas.org/PepsiCo)

**\*\*Nomination Deadline: Wednesday, November 25th, 2009.**

To nominate an individual(s) or for self nominations, please send a CV or resume to [sciencealliance@nyas.org](mailto:sciencealliance@nyas.org). For more information, please visit [www.nyas.org/PepsiCo](http://www.nyas.org/PepsiCo). The critical R&D Global Research Challenges, that PepsiCo is seeking to address include:

\* Developing science based approaches to demonstrate the benefit of Nutrition in the context of overall diet in preventing non-communicable diseases.

\* Creating affordable and accessible nutrient based foods and beverages that are sustainable in the global economy and tools required to assess their value.

\* Tapping into new, locally relevant ingredients while ensuring strong quality measures.

\* Continuation of sustainability journey through strategic manufacturing, packaging, and processes.

## **5. GradFund, the Resource Center for Graduate Student External Support will host Graduate Student Drop-In Hours Nov. 11 and Dec. 9**

- Do you have questions about external fellowships and grants?
- Do you want to learn more about how GradFund can help you with your funding applications?
- Do you want to know more about our services and resources?
- Do you want to know which grants and fellowship you can apply for to support your graduate work?

Plan to stop by during our Drop-In Hours to learn more and get answers to your questions.

We will hold Graduate Student Drop-In Hours on November 11 and December 9 from 1pm to 3pm in our offices at 25 Bishop Place, CAC.

Graduate students are welcome to stop by during the Drop-In Hours to briefly discuss external funding. Student meetings will take place on a first-come, first-served basis. Meeting will last 10-15 minutes

Students interested in scheduling a more in-depth meeting should email [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu) and place "meeting request" in the subject line.

## **6. Spring 2010 Proposal Writing Workgroup**

- *Are you planning to apply for external funding during fall 2010?*
- *Are you unsure how to write a funding proposal?*

Gradfund's Proposal Writing Workgroup will help you with the proposal writing process!

General Interest Meeting: Dec. 4, 2009 @ noon, 25 Bishop Place, CAC

### **What is it?**

The Gradfund Proposal Writing Workgroup offers a supportive interdisciplinary environment for doctoral students with a defined dissertation topic to meet periodically to discuss the mechanics of applying for external funding, strategies for putting together a competitive application, and the opportunity to draft proposals and receive peer review in a collegial environment.

### **What will I get out of it?**

The goal of the workgroup is the help graduate students prepare their funding proposals well in advance of the Fall 2010 deadline season. We also seek to create a proposal writing community in which the workgroup participants may continue to engage independently over the summer and into the fall semester.

### **What's the time commitment?**

Workgroup participants should be prepared to complete preparatory work and to attend the scheduled workgroup meetings. The workgroup will meet twice a month from January to May of 2010. Each group

meeting will run approximately 3 hours, and will require approximately 1-2 hours of preparatory work. The meeting schedule will be determined after the initial ***general interest meeting to be held on Friday, December 4 at 12:00 noon at 25 Bishop Place, CAC***

### **How many students will be in the workgroup?**

The workgroup will be limited to 10 students in order to provide each individual with detailed and constructive feedback on proposal drafts in a supportive environment.

### **How do I sign up?**

If you are interested in joining the GradFund Proposal Writing Workgroup, please email Assistant Dean Teresa Delcorso at [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu). Place "GradFund Proposal Writing Workgroup" in the subject line of your email. In the body of your email, please indicate your interest in joining the workgroup in addition to your graduate program, year in program, the funder to which you would like to apply, and if you will be able to attend the general interest meeting to be held on December 4, 2009. Attendance at the December 4 meeting is not required but strongly advised.

### **Workgroup discussion topics and activities will include:**

- Getting ready to apply for funding
- Examining how to integrate funding into your graduate career
- Understanding the proposal writing genre
- Finding funding options and strategies for success
- Preparing an application, writing a proposal, personal statement, and budget
- Becoming familiar with the proposal review process
- Drafting and revising proposals
- Reviewing and critiquing proposals
- Analyzing and discussing examples of successful proposals

*To register or for more information, email: [gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu)*

**7. Grad Fund, the Resource Center for Graduate Student External Support --Upcoming Events and Information (Please see attachment)**