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## 1. Interested in getting teaching experience?

Graduate students interested in getting teaching experience in a mentored environment might consider RU 16:681:606 Teaching of Microbiology. Students serve as TA's in four labs which teach pathogenic bacteriology to first-year medical students. Labs occur between early Feb and mid-March. We provide meetings before each lab to go over material, and individual mentoring as necessary. Labs meet on Wed-Th-Fri mornings, hours vary by week. Prep meetings are usually on Fridays at noon or 1 PM. TA's are not required to prepare solutions or media, or set out equipment; they are asked to help put away equipment after labs are over, and to help grade brief lab reports. If interested contact Dr. Mike Newlon <a href="memory.com/mewlon@umdnj.edu">mewlon@umdnj.edu</a>; Dr. Lee Schein <a href="memory.com/scheinla@umdnj.edu">scheinla@umdnj.edu</a>; or Dr. Terri Goss Kinzy <a href="memory.com/kinzytg@umdnj.edu">kinzytg@umdnj.edu</a>.

# 2. Need to Improve Your Scientific Writing and Publishing Skills? ASM Has an Institute for You! See attachment

## 3. 'Guidelines for Conduct of Research and Scholarly Activities' manual

The Office of the Vice President for Research and the Office of Academic Affairs are pleased to provide the updated 'Guidelines for Conduct of Research and Scholarly Activities' manual. The Guidelines, originally issued in 1996 as a manual focused on research, have been expanded to include additional types of scholarly activities. The Guidelines set forth University standards for these activities and will be amended as scholarly standards evolve.

Please take time to review the manual at the following url: <a href="http://www.umdnj.edu/resrhweb/documents/GuidelinesforConductOfResearch&Publications.pdf">http://www.umdnj.edu/resrhweb/documents/GuidelinesforConductOfResearch&Publications.pdf</a>

#### 4. Gradfund--Resource Center for Graduate Student External Support

<u>Gradfund, the Resource Center for Graduate Student External Support</u> offers a number of resources to assist graduate students with their applications to nationally competitive fellowship and grant competitions

The fall semester is the major deadline season. This email provides information on how to learn more applying for external funding, our services and how to schedule an appointment.

We offer a number of <u>electronic resources</u> to help students identify funding opportunities and to learn more apply applying for merit based fellowships and grants:

- <u>GradFund Funder Database</u> (<a href="http://chaser.rutgers.edu/database">http://chaser.rutgers.edu/database</a>) catalogues 4000 fellowships and grants to support graduate study. Use your university <a href="https://netid.rutgers.edu/">Net Id</a> to access the database. For information on how to get a university <a href="https://netid.rutgers.edu/">https://netid.rutgers.edu/</a>
- <u>Sakai Fellowship Guide</u> (https://sakai.rutgers.edu/portal) provides information on applying to specific fellowship and grant competitions, proposal writing tools, links to useful articles and website and sample proposals. We use the Sakai Fellowship Guide to host on-line chat sessions and to advertise appointments available on short notice due to cancellations. To access the Sakai Fellowship Guide, request access by sending an email to <a href="mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu">gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu</a>. Please include in your email your full name, graduate program and your Net Id user name.
- <u>GradFund Blog</u> (<u>http://rci.rutgers.edu/~gradfund/blog/</u>) provides information on upcoming deadlines and workshops.
- <u>GradFund Wiki</u> (<u>https://gradfund.pbworks.com/</u>) is our knowledge library with insights and advice from students who have experience applying for external grants and fellowships.
- GradFund is now on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> where we regularly post fellowship and grant deadlines, news, information, workshop announcements and appointment availability.

We offer following types of <u>individual appointments</u>:

- Planning Meeting -- to discuss funding options
- Help with a Funder -- to help navigate the application process
- Proposal Review -- to provide proposal proposal review and critique

To request an appointment, send an email to <a href="mailto:gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu">gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu</a>. Please place "Appointment Request" in the subject line and in the body of your email include your full name, graduate program and the type of appointment you would like to schedule.

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We offer <u>workshops</u> on a regular basis During the month of October, we will offer a series of <u>Mock Review Sessions</u> for student who would like to participate in a mock review panel and have their funding proposal reviewed and critiqued by their peers.

Mock Review Sessions--October 2009

October 9, 2009 9am-12pm, 25 Bishop Place, room 301, CAC (draft due 9am on October 2, 2009)
October 23, 2009, 11am-2pm, 25 Bishop Place, room 301, CAC (We will work through the lunch hour, please plan to bring your lunch with you, soft drinks will be provided) (draft due 9am on October 16, 2009)
October 30, 2009, 9am-12pm, 18 Bishop Place, Basement Conference Room, CAC (draft due 9am on October 23, 2009)

<u>Pre-registration is required to participate in a Mock Review session.</u> To register, please send an email to <u>gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu</u> with the date of the session you would like to attend. To participate in the review session, your proposal draft and the url to the guidelines of your funder should be emailed to <u>gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu</u> by 9:00am on the date indicated in parentheses next to the review session listed above.

If you have any questions about our resources and services, please send an email to gradfund@rci.rutgers.edu.

#### 5. A message from your Student Wellness Program

See Attachment

#### 6. College of William and Mary Graduate Research Symposium

Abstracts are being solicited from arts and science fields for this symposium, to be held in Williamsburg on March 26 & 27, 2010. For more information go to http://web.wm.edu/grs/

### 7. Computational Science Graduate Fellowship

This Department of Energy Program provides fellowships paying \$32,400 plus tuition and fees to students pursuing doctoral degrees in fields of study that utilize high performance computing to solve complex problems in science and engineering. The fellowship includes a 12-week research experience at one of 17 DOE laboratories.

The application deadline is January 14, 2010. www.krellinst.org/csgf

## 8. Code of Conduct Requirement Reminder

The UMDNJ Office of Ethics and Compliance has widely distributed copies of the revised UMDNJ Code of Conduct. If you did not receive a hard copy, please see the electronic version at <a href="http://www.umdnj.edu/complweb/code/conduct.pdf">http://www.umdnj.edu/complweb/code/conduct.pdf</a>. The Code outlines the standards for ethical conduct at UMDNJ, and incorporates the principles of professionalism and best practices the University promotes. By federal government requirement the Code of Conduct must be attested to by every person receiving compensation or other funding from UMDNJ, e.g. stipend checks for GSBS Ph.D. students.

Please submit your attestation electronically by going to:

https://my.umdnj.edu/cp/home/displaylogin?goto=https%3A%2F%2Fmy.umdnj.edu%2Fcas%2Flogin%3Fservice%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fbulwark.umdnj.edu%252F%257Eoeccprod%252Flogin.cfm

Upon clicking the link, you will be prompted for your my.umdnj.edu username and password. An attestation form will be displayed and at the bottom of the form you can submit your attestation. Your attestation must be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than October 16, 2009. Failure to submit the attestation by October 16, 2009 will result in the suspension of your stipend check until such time that the attestation is submitted.

Future one-hour computer based training related to the Code of Conduct must also be completed. As soon as the training is made available, I will notify you of the details and the deadline for completion. Because UMDNJ participation in all federal reimbursement programs depends on complete compliance with these federal requirements, and because UMDNJ is committed to conducting all University matters in accordance with the Code of Conduct, your failure to fully complete the signature and training requirements is a very serious violation.

Please contact your campus GSBS Student Affairs office with any questions about the Code of Conduct. Thank you for your cooperation, I realize you are all busy with your classes and research training, however, this requirement is vital for the advancement of the University.