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The New Face of U.S. Science

By Kearney Gunsalus, Misty Heggeness, Gary McDowell and Jose Pacas for Nature

Gary McDowell, Misty Heggeness and colleagues present census data showing how the biomedical workforce is fundamentally different to those of past generations - academia should study the trends, and adapt.

Click here to read the full article.

How We Need to Improve Postdoctoral Education

by David Silbersweig for Inside Higher Ed

If higher education is underappreciated and under threat, then highest education - postdoctoral fellowships - may be even more so. Some observers have suggested that too many people are pursuing such advanced training without clearly related direction or the potential for job placements. But while some aspects of postdoctoral education may need adjusting, our country must appreciate the value of highest education and do more to ensure that it flourishes.

Click here to read the full article.

The ND Postdoc Newsletter wants to share your research or article you have written with the ND Postdoc Community. If you would like to submit an article for the newsletter, please email Valli Sarveswaran.

Career Services

How to Shorten a CV
Notre Dame/Saint Mary's College Tax Assistance Program (TAP)
This service is free for those who made an annualized income of $45,000 or below during the 2016 tax period. For international visitors, appointments will be offered Mondays through Thursdays from 2/20 through 4/13. For US citizens, no appointments are necessary. Visit [https://tap.nd.edu/](https://tap.nd.edu/) for more information.

Beware - even if you didn't receive a pay check from Notre Dame or other sources regarding your appointment, you still may be expected to submit a document to IRS.

One-on-One Consultations
Do you need assistance with career services, finding funding, developing an IDP or have questions but don't know whom to ask or where to go? Click [here](https://tap.nd.edu/) to schedule a one-on-one consultation with Valli Sarveswaran.

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One-on-One Appointments for Postdocs

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Foundations of Teaching

This four-part series will introduce and develop the fundamental skills of effective teaching, including communicating expectations, facilitating a class, grading, and teaching critical thinking skills. This will give first-time and early TAs a solid foundation for successful teaching in graduate school and beyond.

Date: Thursdays; January 19, 26, February 2 & 9
Time: 9:30 to 10:45 am

Frustrated by academic job application instructions limiting CVs to 2-3 pages in length, a recent Ph.D. applying for both postdocs and regular faculty appointments asks Karen Kelsky of *The Professor Is In*: as a junior scholar, how do I shorten my CV?

Click [here](https://tap.nd.edu/) to read Kelsky's advice.

The applicant had impressed us with his credentials, his warmth and humor, and his seemingly innate understanding of community-college students. Although he now lived in a different state, he revealed that he had actually attended our college many years ago, and told convincing stories of his experiences and academic triumphs throughout his freshman year here.

Charmed by the connection, and serious enough about his candidacy to pull his transcripts, imagine our shock and genuine dismay to find that his detailed anecdotes turned out to be fiction. He had, indeed, attended our college - but not for the full year and not with the 4.0 average he had claimed. In fact, he'd had no academic success on our campus; he had withdrawn from all of his classes during his first semester.

Click [here](https://tap.nd.edu/) to read the full article by Matos.

Of all the searches I have served on and all the job seekers I have vetted - as a community-college professor and as a career coach - there is one interview that stands out with excruciating clarity. It's the one in which the candidate turned out to be lying.

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For a full listing of events on the Notre Dame campus for this week click here.

Fireside Chat on Leadership and Innovation

The Office of the Provost and the Graduate School will present an evening with entrepreneur and business leader Celeste Volz Ford and Four Star Air Force General Ellen Pawlikowski.

The talk will revolve around reflections on each individual’s path to their current role, early influences and decision making at critical personal and career junctures, reflections on mentors and partners along the way, aspirations and advice for audience members as they navigate their way.

January 26, 2017
Program: 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.
Reception: 5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Hesburgh, Joyce, Carmichael Rooms in the Morris Inn

Please register here. All postdocs are welcome to attend.

Leveraging Cancer Genomics for Target Discovery and Chemical Biology

Presented by
Haian Fu, PhD
Professor and Director
Emory Chemical Biology Discovery Center
Departments of Pharmacology, and Hematology & Medical Oncology
Associate Dean for Innovation & International Strategies
Emory University School of Medicine
Atlanta

When: 12 to 1 p.m., January 27, 2017
Where: Walther Hall (R-3) Room 303/305

If you are not able to attend in person, this session will be available via livestream.

World on Tap
National Postdoctoral Association (NPA)

The NPA is a member-driven organization that provides a unique, national voice for postdoctoral scholars. Since 2003, they have taken on the ambitious agenda to enhance the quality of the postdoctoral experience in the US. They have assumed a leadership role in addressing the many issues confronting the postdoctoral community that are national in scope and requiring action beyond the local level.

- The University of Notre Dame is a sustaining member of the NPA.
- ND Postdocs can join the NPA for free.
- Learn about the benefits of a NPA membership here.

For more information about the NPA and to become a member, click here.

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Versatile PhD - Humanities & Social Sciences

- Discover interesting career paths as an alternative to the faculty track
- Join a large community of post-academics to consult about your situation and the versatility of your PhD, MA, or postdoctoral appointment
- Read job listings appropriate for postdocs
- Network with successful post-academic PhDs nationwide

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The Harper Cancer Research Institute's 6th Annual Research Day

Monday, April 10, 2017

- 7:30am - 9:00am Registration - The Morris Inn, Pre-function Area
- 9:00am - 1:00pm Poster Session - The Morris Inn, Ballroom
- 1:00pm - 3:00pm Trainee presentations - The Morris Inn, Formal Dining Rooms
- 3:00pm - 4:00pm Faculty presentations - The Morris Inn, Ballroom
- 4:00pm - 5:00pm Career Panel - The Morris Inn, Ballroom
- 5:00pm - 6:00pm Keynote: by Dr. Otis Brawley, Chief Medical Officer of the American Cancer Society
- 6:10pm - 8pm Reception

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Funding Opportunities

2017-2018 Whitaker International Fellows and Scholars Program

Whitaker International program, an enriching opportunity for recent U.S. graduates in the field of biomedical engineering or bioengineering to receive a grant to fund research projects or study programs abroad.

Deadline: January 24, 2017

Click here to learn about Whitaker International Program
Click here to apply for the 2017-18 Whitaker International Fellows and Scholars Program

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L'Oréal-UNESCO For Women in Science Fellowship Program
For more information about Versatile PhD and how to use it, click [here](#).

**Spotlight Jobs of the Week**

**Engineering**
- Research Scientist
- Biomedical Engineering Fellow

**Humanities**
- Lecturer-Civic Engagement & Service Learning (UMass Amherst)
- Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowship

**Business**
- Professorship in Business and Management
- Tenure-Track Assistant Professorship in Marketing

**Science**
- Tenure-Track Assistant Professorships, CSU-Northridge
- Postdoctoral Scholar Fellowship, University of Chicago

**Social Science**
- Social Scientist at the RAND Corporation
- Federal Health Research Methodologist

The L’Oréal USA For Women in Science fellowship program awards five women postdoctoral scientists annually with grants of $60,000 each for their contributions in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields and commitment to serving as role models for younger generations. The program is the U.S. component of the L’Oréal-UNESCO For Women in Science International Fellowships program. Celebrating its thirteenth year in the U.S., the For Women in Science program has awarded 65 postdoctoral women scientists over $3 million in grants.

Applications are open and due by February 3, 2017.

The application and more information about the L’Oréal USA For Women in Science program can be found [here](#).

**Research Day T-Shirt Design Contest**

Deadline: February 13, 2017

The Harper Cancer Research Institute wants your designs for their annual Research Day t-shirt. They're getting an early start this year so you can harness your creativity over break. The winning designer will receive a $200 VISA gift card and bragging rights. Multiple entries from one person are welcome. For the full list of contest rules, please email Angela Cavalieri at Cavalieri.2@nd.edu.

**2016-17 Indiana CTSI Postdoc Challenge**

Grant funding to use CTSI-Designated Core Facilities

Postdoctoral research associates from the University of Notre Dame are encouraged to submit applications that clearly articulate their translational strategy (ie: from lab bench to bed side) and how this strategy can be advanced through the use of technologies offered by a core facility (www.indianactsi.org/servicecores). Applicants must make contact with and request a Letter of Support from the Core Facility Manager(s) to confirm that the proposed project can be accomplished in their core facility. Awardees will be expected to develop and manage a project budget that aligns with the translational strategy. A six-month and a final progress report will be required over the 1-year project period. If you are interested in participating, you must discuss your proposal with your advisor prior to beginning the application process to ensure your participation will be approved.

Application: A link to the application can be found [here](#). A letter of support...
Fellowships in Energy Research for Postdocs

**ND Energy** offers competitive fellowships for undergraduate and graduate students and postdoctoral research associates to conduct energy-related research at Notre Dame. These fellowships support new advancements in energy technologies, while broadening the educational experiences for students and postdocs receiving these awards. If you are interested in energy-related research and would like to apply for a postdoc fellowship, please click on the appropriate link below. For Postdocs, the applications will be accepted year round.

Click [here](#) for the ND Energy Postdoctoral Fellowship Program application guidelines.

Information is also available via the [Funding Opportunities Webpage](#) with an ND Net ID and Password required. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Barbara Villarosa (574-631-4776).

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**Professional Development**

**Graduate School Professional Development Programs**

All postdocs may take professional development programs from the Graduate School.

For more information on programming or to register, please click [here](#).

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**Workshops from the Writing Center**

**Use Writing to Teach Critical Thinking**

Want to transform your students into active learners, engage them in solving disciplinary problems, and foster their critical thinking? Research shows that one of the best ways to achieve these goals is to integrate writing assignments into your classes. The University Writing Center is pleased to offer consultations with instructors who want help designing and integrating writing assignments. We welcome instructors from every discipline, especially STEM subjects. Email [writing@nd.edu](mailto:writing@nd.edu) with the subject “Teaching Consultation” to set up a meeting!
Workshops from the Kaneb Center

Are you interested in learning more about discipline-specific teaching and learning in the university setting? The university offers workshops on university teaching and learning in various fields through the Kaneb Center! Consider enrolling in one of the workshops.

For workshop descriptions, click here.

Workshops from the NCFDD

The National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity is an independent professional development, training and mentoring community of over 71,000 graduate students, postdocs, and faculty members. The NCFDD is 100% dedicated to supporting academics in making successful transitions throughout their careers. They offer on-campus workshops, professional development training, and intensive mentoring programs.

The University of Notre Dame is an institutional member of the NCFDD. Through Notre Dame’s membership, ND Postdocs may claim an Institutional Sub-account Membership at no cost and enjoy all the benefits of a NCFDD Individual Membership. Register here to join NCFDD.

For a list of the Fall 2017 webinars, click here.

Hesburgh Libraries Workshops

The Hesburgh Libraries and Center for Digital Scholarship workshops are offered to all ND Postdocs.

Hesburgh Libraries Workshops

- Register: http://library.nd.edu/about/workshops.shtml
- Click here for this week’s list of workshops.

Most of the CDS workshops take place in the CDS Classroom (Room 129), Hesburgh Library 1st Floor Northeast.

Multimedia and Library Technologies

- Tuesday, January 31st
- Hesburgh Library
- 5PM - 6PM

Who Said That? Citation Management

- Tuesday, February 21st
- 228 Coleman Morse - Learning Resource Center
- 5PM - 6PM

Finding and Using Images

- Tuesday, March 21st
- 228 Coleman Morse - Learning Resource Center
- 5PM - 6PM
CDS Workshop Information and Registration:
library.nd.edu/cds/workshops

Library Workshop Calendar: nd.libcal.com/calendar/allworkshops
Questions? cds@nd.edu

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English for Academic Purposes Workshops

The Center for the Study of Languages and Cultures’ English for Academic Purposes program offers workshops that are open to all ND Postdocs.

More information: https://cslc.nd.edu/programs/eap/workshops/
Registration: https://gradconnect.nd.edu/portal/prof-dev-events
Questions? Contact Lisa Joy Oglesbee

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PhD Humor

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