Opening Doors for the Ph.D.

By Vimal Patel for the *The Chronicle of Higher Education*

The data convinced Stephen Aron. After tracking where his department's doctoral recipients actually land jobs, the head of the University of California at Los Angeles's history department knew he had to rethink how graduate students are trained.

Click [here](#) to read the full article.

Helping History Ph.D.s Expand Their Job Options

By Vimal Patel for the *The Chronicle of Higher Education*

No humanities discipline has embraced the idea of career diversity more than history, and that's in part because the American Historical Association and its executive director, James Grossman, have backed the effort.

Click [here](#) to read Patel's full article.
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/ 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?
- Career counseling
- Plan and define career goals
- Explore career options
- Identify strengths and weakness and plan for skills development
- CV, resume or cover Letter feedback
- Linkedin/Google scholar profile
- Prepare for upcoming interviews

Contact Valli Sarveswaran at vsarvesw@nd.edu to schedule a one-on-one consultation.

International Postdocs
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
Are You Making the Right Presentation at the Scientific Meeting?
By Prashant Kamat for ACS Energy Letters
Scientific meetings are an excellent platform for interacting with scientific colleagues and learning new advances in the research field. More importantly, meetings offer researchers a common place to share their research findings with peers and seek their feedback. Informal scientific discussions often provide additional insights that are not usually possible to capture from published work. Scientific meetings can also foster new collaborations and offer new career opportunities.

Click here to read the full article.

Five Tips for Navigating Your Way to a Tenure-Track Position
By Joanna Hughes for www.PhDstudies.com
Tenure-track jobs are often positioned as the "Holy Grail" of the academic world. But while THE Holy Grail is largely regarded as the stuff of legends, tenure-track positions are both very real and very attainable. With the right strategies, that is. Read on for a roundup of tips aimed at helping you achieve a sought-after tenure-track job.

Click here to read the full article.

Events and Workshops
Notre Dame International invites you and your students to celebrate the Brazilian Carnaval

There will be free specialty coffee, berries and authentic Brazilian treats! Each Global Café event focuses on a specific region of the world, and allows international students to share their cultural heritage with their peers in a friendly environment.

- Date: Monday, February 27, 2017
- Time: 4 - 5:30 PM
- Location: Remick Commons - Visitation Hall (behind the Basilica of the Sacred Heart)

Introduction to Course Design Session III: Writing a Syllabus

This workshop outlines the components of a learning-centered syllabus, incorporating the goals and assessment methods from the first "Fundamentals of Course Design" workshop. Participants will begin drafting a syllabus for their course during the workshop and receive feedback from participants and Kaneb Center staff. Individual follow-up sessions can be scheduled with Kaneb staff.

- Date: March 1, 2017
- Time: 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM
- Location: ND Room, 202 LaFortune Student Center

For more information on this and other events or to register, please click here.

World on Tap
All postdocs are invited to The World on Tap, a social at Rohr's held every first Wednesday of the month. Free appetizers will be served, and the first 50 attendees will receive a free drink ticket valued up to $6. Please bring a valid photo ID to this event.

- Date: March 1, 2017
- Time: 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM
- Location: Rohr's at the Morris Inn (map)

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.

**Funding Opportunities**

**RAND Corporation Transatlantic Postdoctoral Fellowship**

Deadline: February 27, 2017

RAND Corporation has put forward an amazing fellowship named The Transatlantic Postdoctoral Fellowship for International Relations and Security. The program is funded by Fritz Thyssen Stiftung and participating institutes.

The program is open to all candidates who have recently received their doctorate in social and political sciences or economics and whose research focuses on topics of international relations and/or international peace and
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

For more information about Versatile PhD and how to use it, click here.

Spotlight Jobs of the Week

Engineering
- Assistant or Associate Professor - Biomedical Engineering
- Physics and Engineering Writer

Humanities
- Political Science and Public Administration
- Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Music Theory

Business
- Assistant/Associate Professor of Management
- Assistant Professor of Business Management

Science
- Postdoctoral Research Associate in the Neuroscience of Memory Engrams
- Director, Process Science Subject Matter Expert Job

Social Science
- Assistant Professor of

For more information, click here.

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 (i.e., from lab bench to bedside) 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: Click here for more information. A letter of support from the applicant's advisor is necessary for participation in this challenge. Applications are due by Tuesday, February 28 at 5:00pm EDT. Awardees will be announced in April 2017. Questions can be directed to Wendy Field at wfield@purdue.edu.

2018-19 Fulbright Postdoctoral Scholar Awards

Fulbright Postdoctoral Scholar Awards are open to U.S. scholars who have recently completed their doctoral degree - typically within the five previous years. Postdoctoral awards are available in STEM fields, the arts, humanities and social sciences.

Deadline: August 1, 2017

Click here for further detail.
Fellowships in Energy Research for Postdocs

The Real Problem Women Face When They Work Long Hours

From The Refinery29.com

Microwaving food in plastic: Dangerous or not?

From Harvard Health Publications

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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 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 NCFDD 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](http://library.nd.edu/about/workshops.shtml)
- Click [here](http://library.nd.edu/about/workshops.shtml) 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.

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](http://library.nd.edu/cds/workshops)

Library Workshop Calendar: [nd.libcal.com/calendar/allworkshops](http://nd.libcal.com/calendar/allworkshops)

Questions? [cds@nd.edu](mailto: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/](https://cslc.nd.edu/programs/eap/workshops/)
Registration: [https://gradconnect.nd.edu/portal/prof-dev-events](https://gradconnect.nd.edu/portal/prof-dev-events)
Questions? Contact [Lisa Joy Oglesbee](mailto:Lisa.Joy.Oglesbee.1@nd.edu)

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