Postdoc Career Advice

**How to Prepare for Class Without Overpreparing**  
*By James Lang for Chronicle Vitae*

The beginning of the fall semester is just around the corner! If you're a postdoc preparing to teach well, you might run the risk of over-preparing at the expense of your other postdoc obligations. Dr. James Lang provides some creative insights on how to avoid over-preparation, while still managing an inspiring course!

### Upcoming Events

#### Sakai Workshops

Whether you are new to Sakai or if you just need a refresher, these sessions will provide you with an overview, as well as address individual objectives.

Click [here](#) for workshop details and registration. These workshops are offered from August 7 to August 16.

#### Arts Night Out

Three months in the making. Five venues. One community. The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center welcomes you to experience the Center's vibrant arts spaces that support your growing creative community. *Come and See what's Next* through a short program on the upcoming 2018-2019 Presenting Series. Nearly a dozen of our community arts partners and resident arts departments will greet you as you walk booths in our beautiful lobby enjoying a complimentary drink.

Date night, family night, or a night with friends, you can expect live music and dance, giveaways, and more—all scaled to fit in the perfect Arts Night Out. Sample what the Center has to offer you at this [free](#) indoor-to-outdoor event.

**Date:** Saturday, August 11  
**Time:** Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Program begins at 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Leighton Concert Hall, [DeBartolo Performing Arts Center](#)  
**RSVP:** [here](#)
Annual Grant Writing Workshops

Mark your calendars! The Office of Research, the Office for Grants and Fellowships, and the Office for Postdoctoral Scholars will jointly present two grant writing workshops led by Dr. Robert Porter this September:

**Career Development Grants for Pre and Postdocs**
- Understanding grants in STEM
- External funding as you transition through critical career stages
- Anatomy of a typical career award proposal
- Contacting grant program officers

**Date**: Thursday, September 20, 2018  
**Time**: 9 am - 12:00 pm

**Writing Successful Grants**
- Killer mistakes in grant writing and how to avoid them
- Two critical steps that will double your chances for success
- How to win over the grant reviewer
- Simple keys to a more powerful writing style
- Visualization: Using illustrations to "sell" your project

**Date**: Friday, September 21, 2018  
**Time**: 9 am - 4:00 pm

More information coming soon!

Open Consulting Hours

Come meet Valli, Associate Program Director of the Postdoc Office, to ask questions about professional development, career exploration, and other services offered by the Postdoc Office in particular and Notre Dame as a whole. International scholars are also welcome to discuss matters specific to them.

**Date**: Thursday, August 16th  
**Time**: 2 - 4 pm  
**Location**: Stinson Remick 100

**Date**: Thursday, September 6th  
**Time**: 2 - 4 pm  
**Location**: McCourtney Hall 206
Funding Opportunities
Contact the Postdoc Office for a preliminary discussion and for assistance finding the appropriate resources for competitive external funding applications.

Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP) Postdoctoral Fellowships
Deadline: August 23, 2018

NNSA Graduate Fellowship Program (earned a PhD on or after April 3, 2017)
Deadline: October 3, 2018

Marshall Sherfield Fellowships 2019
Deadline: October 10, 2018

Freigeist Fellowships
Deadline: October 11, 2018

Indiana Traumatic Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Research's Activity-Based Therapy Program
Deadline: October 29, 2018

BAEF Study and Research Fellowships in Belgium
Deadline: October 31, 2018

USA to Australia Fellowship Program
Deadline: October 31, 2018

Postdoctoral and Early Career Awards
Various deadlines

Job Postings

- Engineering:
  - Assistant Professor
  - Software Engineer, Google, Madison WI
- Humanities:
  - Assistant Professor, Philosophy of Science (Tenure-Track)
  - Director of Undergraduate Research and Fellowships
- Science:
  - Tenure-Track, Tenured Assistant/Associate/ Professor
  - Director, PhD Program in Mathematics and Science Education, Tenure-track Faculty
- Social Science:
  - Assistant Professor, Industrial and Organizational Psychology
  - Research Manager - Research & Evaluation
- Multidisciplinary:
  - Program Director, Professional Development
  - Data Scientist, Marketing Science R&D
  - Data Scientist, Pocket Gems
  - Director of LAS Honors
- Postdoc Positions:
  - Postdoctoral Scholar - Community Health Services - School of Public Health
  - Postdoctoral Associate, Computational Imaging
  - Post Doctoral Research Associate, Institute for Software Research
  - Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunities for Candidates who Enhance the Diversity of the Academy

Did You Know...?
That postdocs can form Writing Accountability Groups and receive funding for free study snacks in the process?? See https://gradlife.nd.edu/events-programs/wags/ for more information.