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NEWS

PSCI Graduate Student is 2016-2017 Krown Fellowship Winner



Fourth-year PSCI program student, Weiwen Sun, has been selected as the winner of the 2016-2017 Charles and Charlotte Krown Fellowship. Dr Clay Wang is Weiwen's faculty advisor. Runner up was 4th-year PSCI student Yu Jeong Kim (Dr Pin Wang, faculty advisor). The Krown Fellowship is the most prestigious award given to graduate students in the School of Pharmacy. It represents a major academic honor that will be beneficial throughout the student's academic career. The award carries a stipend of \$5000 and also includes an allowance of \$5000, to be used for travel, purchase of educational materials, supplies or other education and/or research-related items. To be eligible, students must have a minimum 3.4 GPA, have passed their PhD qualifying exam and be advanced to candidacy before Fall semester begins, and be a first author on at least one peer-reviewed journal article.

Graduate Programs Professional Development Series: NIH F31 Fellowship Writing Workshop October 5th-Nov 2nd



As part of a Graduate Programs Professional Development Series, the Graduate Affairs office will host a 5-part weekly NIH F31 Fellowship Writing Workshop beginning on Wed Oct 5th through Wed Nov 5th, 2016 from 8-9am in PSC -200. This will be a hands-on workshop with weekly writing assignments. Dr Michael Paine from the Ostrow School of Dentistry will speak at the first session on Oct 5th to provide tips on the F31 application process. He is the PI on an NIH T90 training grant and has served as a reviewer for the F31 study section. Topics to be covered include: Significance, Innovation, Specific Aims, Background, Approach, Methods, Alternatives/Pitfalls. If you are a rising 2nd year student, you are strongly urged to participate. Talk with your advisor and send us an email at PHARgrad@usc.edu to apply.

Graduate Affairs Office Attending Graduate School Recruitment Fairs This Fall



The Fall recruitment season is about to begin! Members of the Graduate Affairs Office, along with faculty and students will be attending various graduate school recruitment fairs in the upcoming months at: UC Berkeley, UC Davis, SACNAS (to be held in Long Beach), Scripps, UC Riverside, Loyola Marymount, ABRCMS (to be held in Tampa, FL), and UC Merced. We will also participate in the AACP Career Eco Pharmacy Grad School Virtual Fair on October 13th. If any faculty or students are interested in assisting in our recruitment efforts, please contact the Graduate Affairs Office.

PHARMACY GRADUATE ALLIANCE (PGA) CORNER

PGA to Host USC-Allergan Postdoc Fellowship Reception, Monday, September 26th, 4-6pm

As part of the annual USC-Allergan fellowship showcase, the Pharmacy Graduate Alliance (PGA) will host a reception and information session on how to apply for postdoc fellowships at Allergan. Recent PSCI graduate, Anna Papinska, is currently doing a 1-year postdoc fellowship at Allergan. Anna, along with 3 other PhD Allergan postdoc fellows, will share their experiences and tips on how to apply. The event will take place on Monday, Sept 26th from 4-6pm in PSC-104, immediately before the PharmD residency and fellowship showcase in the HSC quad, which will run from 6-8pm. Refreshments will be served!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grad Forum Time Management Workshop, Monday September 25th, 12-1.30pm at UPC: This workshop on Time Management, presented by Prof. David Kang, Director of CIS and KSI at Dornsife, is designed to equip graduate students with essential tools to manage the unique demands of academia and balancing priorities such as publishing and tenure. Location: SOS (Social Sciences), Room B40. Open to all; click to RSVP.

Regulatory Science Bootcamp, Monday October 3rd, 9-4pm: USC's Regulatory Science Program will hold a Bootcamp on "Good Clinical Practice, Audits and Inspections" on Monday, October 3rd from 9-4pm in McKibben Hall, Room 149. Registration for academia is free. Click here for more

NIH F31 Fellowship Writing Workshop, Wed October 5th to Wed Nov 2nd, 8-9am in PSC-200: See details above in "News".

Regulatory Science Bio-Brew Networking Event, Wednesday October 5th, 6-9pm: The Regulatory Science program is pleased to announce its 3rd bio-brew networking event on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 from 6-9pm at the Far Bar in Downtown LA. A fun way to network with colleagues, faculty and industry professionals! For more information and to register, click here.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Student Seminars (Wednesdays at noon in PSC-104; Click here for seminar schedule)

Sept 23: Zhechu Pena (MPTX. Stiles lab) Oct 7: Zoe Folchman-Wagner (PSCI, Shenlab) Oct 14: Maira Soto (CXPT, Rodgers lab) Oct 21: Zhe Li (PSCI, MacKay lab)

RAPS' Regulatory Convergence Conference: Thurs-Tues Sept 17th-20th in San Jose, CA. Workshops, sessions, networking. Info. CXPT/Regulatory Science Invited Seminar by Dr Frank Weichold (FDA): Fri Sept 16th from 3-4pm in PSC-104. See Flyer. USC-Allergan Postdoc Fellowship Showcase Reception: Mon Sept 26th from 4-6pm in PSC-104. See Flyer.

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Upcoming Events



CONGRATULATIONS



Xiaohan Hu (HE program; Dr Jeff McCombs, advisor) will be presenting 3 posters and a podium presentation at the ISPOR 19th Annual European Congress, to be held in Vienna, Austria, in late October.



Tim Bensman (CXPT program; Dr Paul Beringer, advisor) presented his thesis defense on August 23. His degree will be conferred in December. 2016.





Rina Jacobi and Tara Walker (HCDA alums, 2016) are now working for the Komoto Family Foundation looking at Disparities in Access to Health Care for Minority Women in Central California.



Jugal Dhandhukia (PSCI program; Dr Andrew MacKay, advisor), is completing a 4-month summer internship at Seattle Genetics, Seattle, WA. Dugal plans to graduate in December, 2016.