

Date	WVU HSC Postdoctoral Events	Speaker(s)
2019		
January 28 201 BMRC, Noon	National Postdoc Association Q&A	Julie Fabsik-Swarts, M.S., CFRE, CAP NPA Executive Director, <i>Ex officio</i>
January 31 2116 HSC North 5:00-6:00pm	Roundtable discussion on Bio Entrepreneurship	Dr. Andrew Lees CEO and founder of Fina Biosolutions University of Maryland
February 12 Room G01 Noon	Understanding the Individual Development Plan and National Postdoctoral Association Core Competency Self-Assessment	Linda Vona-Davis, Ph.D. Department of Surgery & Office of Research and Graduate Education
February 28 Room 1909 3-4pm	Interviewing Skills: Perform Under Pressure	Courtney DeVries, Ph.D. Department of Medicine
March 12 Room G01, Noon	Introduction to Project and Resource Management	Bryan Martin, PMP Assistant Director Lisa Hunt, PMP Project Manager WVU Office of Research Program Management
March 18 201 BMRC	Resume and CV Review Session	Robert Barricelli WVU Career Services
April 9 Room G01, Noon	Communicating and Managing in All Directions	Bryan Martin, PMP Assistant Director Lisa Hunt, PMP Project Manager WVU Office of Research Program Management
May 7 Room G01, Noon	Know Your Kangaroo - the NIH K99/R00 award	Joan Lakoski, Ph.D. School of Pharmacy and WVCTSI
May 28 Room 301 Erma	Resolving Conflicts with Mentees: Having the Difficult Conversation	Michael Schaller, Ph.D. Department of Biochemistry
August 8 Evansdale Crossing 10-4pm	Science and Creativity Summit	Workshops to foster creativity
August 30 5:30 – 7:30 pm	Postdoctoral Social Event at UTC	Tailgate, BW3 Tailgate Ball Park Black Bears Game
September 10 Noon, G119A	Crafting a Compelling Biosketch	Courtney DeVries, Ph.D. Department of Medicine
September 12 Noon, 301 BMRC	Biosketch Workshop continued	Courtney DeVries, Ph.D. Department of Medicine
September 17 Noon – 1pm	The Antibody Crisis: Leveraging machine learning for evidence-based antibody search	Maurice Shen, PhD Benchsci.com
September 19 Noon-1pm, Pylons	National Postdoc Appreciation Week	Poster viewing and networking event
September 23 Noon-1pm, G01	Special session with Dr. Laura Gibson	Laura Gibson, PhD Senior Associate Vice President for Research & Graduate Education; Associate Dean for Research, School of Medicine
September 24 Noon, 301 BMRC	Addressing Rigor, Reproducibility, and Biological Variables in NIH Applications	Courtney DeVries, Ph.D. Department of Medicine
October 14 Noon-1pm, G01	Making the Most of Your Postdoc Experience	Panel Discussion: Liz Engler-Chiurazzi, PhD and Karthikeyan Narayanan, PhD
November 11 Noon-1pm, G01	Teaching and Learning Commons	Amy Kuhn Director of Teaching Support and Advancement
December 9	No Meeting	

Use of IDPs and Career Development for Postdoctoral Researchers

Career development for biomedical postdoctoral researchers at West Virginia University Health Sciences Center is supported at the level of the School of Medicine through the Office of Research and Graduate Education, through sponsored activities at the level of the department and in the individual lab through mentorship and individual development planning. Our office recommends and encourages the use of Individual Development Plan (IDP) as a mentoring tool for postdoctoral trainees to guide their development and benchmark advancement. Postdoctoral fellows use the myIDP science-specific online tool.

Trainees meet with their individual mentors throughout their training time to receive evaluation and feedback. The WVU Health Sciences Center Office of Research and Graduate Education provides travel awards (bi-annually) for postdoctoral fellows to present their work at professional meetings. Throughout the training year, fellows participate in seminars, courses in Scientific Integrity, panel discussions, workshops and networking activities designed to advance their research, training, or career exploration. Individual departments that support the laboratory of the PI provide ample opportunities for postdoctoral trainees to engage in specific training and professional development in the area of expertise. We encourage postdoctoral scholars traditionally underrepresented in their fields to explore the faculty opportunities at West Virginia University.