Falling Walls Lab York: theme heats w/c 24 April 2017

Are you an outstanding talent and innovative thinker within five years of your PhD award? Would you like the opportunity to win a prize and travel to Berlin to present your work? Falling Walls Lab is a fast-paced event - a little bit TEDtalk and a little bit Dragon's Den, designed to showcase the quality talent and passion of the Next Generation of researchers, innovators and entrepreneurs at the international level. Book onto one of our Preparing for Falling Walls sessions (UoY log-in required) or find out more information and apply for the theme heats. Applications close 28 February 2017.

Heat winners will participate in the Falling Walls Lab York, to be held as part of the 'Celebrating Research Success' Research Staff/Postdocs Conference, 23 June 2017, Spring Lane building.

Mentoring for research staff: pilot scheme

Applications are now open for a cross-departmental, objective-led mentoring scheme for research staff/postdocs. The pilot will initially run in four departments (Chemistry, Environment, Health Sciences and Physics). We are seeking applications for both mentors and mentees. The deadline for applications is 28 February 2017. Click here for further details including how to apply. If you are not in one of the four departments but would like to be involved, please complete an Expression of Interest form.

New staff research pages launched
Research and Enterprise, External Relations and the Library's Research Support Team have been working together to improve the Staff Research web pages and the new pages have now been launched. Following feedback from academic staff and research administrators, signposting and identification of key contacts has been improved, along with an explanation of services available to research staff. If you have suggestions for additional content that would help your role please email sam.gardner@york.ac.uk.

**BBSRC Innovator of the Year competition: applications encouraged!**

BBSRC are really keen to see high-quality applications from postdocs and PhD students who have driven impact (commercial, social or international) of their project. ECRs are defined as a PhD student or post-doctoral researcher (including post-doctoral fellows) with no more than 6 years full-time postdoctoral research experience since their PhD viva date. The closing date is 15 February. Further details can be found on the BBSRC’s web pages or by emailing impact.awards@bbsrc.ac.uk.

**Sharing and celebrating research success**

The Research Excellence Training Team invites University of York ECRs (postdoctoral researchers and lecturers) to share their stories of research success. We want to know how you define research success (this may include securing funding or a keynote talk) and how you achieved it to help inspire others in their work. If you would like to contribute, please complete this short Google Form. If your responses are used, we will provide a £20 Amazon gift card to thank you for your contribution.

**Worldwide Universities Network (WUN) Research Mobility lunch**

The International Relations Office will be hosting a lunchtime presentation on the WUN Research Mobility Programme (RMP) at 12pm on 20 February 2017. Postdocs and PhD students are encouraged to attend. The RMP is an opportunity for staff or postgraduate researchers in any academic discipline to bid for funding to visit any Worldwide Universities Network (WUN) international partner. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to attend, or be kept up to date on the RMP, please complete the online registration form. Contact andrew.l.brown@york.ac.uk with any queries.
York ResearchBites, 2 March 2017, 17:30-19:30, King's Manor

Come and support our research students as they communicate their research at the inaugural York ResearchBites event. Each student will have their own display space in which to engage visitors’ attention through the use of posters, media, demonstrations or even games. All welcome.

**Good practice in research: authorship**

How should authorship be determined? Is it ethical to exchange authorship favours with colleagues? How might retraction of a paper affect you as an author? The Research Integrity Forum is running a lunchtime workshop on **24 February 2017**, 12:30-14:00, in the Treehouse, Berrick Saul Building. Research Integrity Forum events are open to all staff and PGR students and lunch is provided. To register for this session and/or to join the Forum's mailing list, please contact **natasha.birch@york.ac.uk** by 17 February 2017.

**Researcher futures**

Applications are now open for a one-day career workshop for mid/senior bioscience postdocs on **23 February 2017** in London. Organised by the Physiological Society and Society for Experimental Biology, this workshop aims to help bioscience postdoctoral researchers (4 years or more beyond their PhD) to review their careers and consider future options. The event is free but places are limited. Members of Physoc and SEB can apply for £50 grants to assist with their travel. Please click **here for more information**.

**British Science Festival: Award Lecture nominations**

The British Science Association is currently accepting nominations for Award Lectures at the 2017 **British Science Festival**. The Award Lectures are prestigious awards for early career researchers with a passion for communicating their work. Awards are available in seven different research areas with the selected lecturers receiving an all-expenses paid trip to the British Science Festival, a £250 honorarium and an invitation to the Festival Dinner. The deadline is **9am on 6 March 2017**. To find out more please visit their **website**.

**Bookable courses in February and March 2017**
Research staff can also take advantage of development and training from the open staff development programme and our coaching scheme.