
December minutes approved

Old Business

A/F Competition Revisions
- Grading Criteria Specified
  - Grades, 25%;
  - Proposal (originality, clarity, significance), 50%
  - Productivity (judged by awards, research presentations, research publications, letter of recommendation, etc) 25%
- Font Style and Size specified
  - Arial 11 or 12. Page limit to be adjusted accordingly
- While a student’s activities outside the lab will not be counted for or against their productivity, students are encouraged to include that information in their optional statement.
- Students who submitted a LOI should have been e-mailed a fellowship application
- Any questions contact Amy Schlueter

Career Development Seminars
- Reactions from Students regarding either Winning at Negotiation: Scientific Job Offer Discussion or White Shirts or Birkenstocks? Approaching a Job Search in a Tough Job Market
  - Turn out was not as high as planned, most likely due to the snow storm
  - General consensus was that it was a worthwhile talk.
- Student opinion on CV/resume help with Michelle Perone – James has not heard feedback from many students that met with her
  - May be able to set up contact between her and UNMC graduate students to get CVs reviewed as needed

Student Portfolios will be due in Feb, with hope that everyone will have submitted it by March 1st.
- James is checking if the link will still be available on blackboard. If not email Amy or Dan

New Business –
- Business for Bioscientists Certificate program – allows UNMC graduate students the opportunity to get “almost an MBA” and a PhD.
  - James will email packet with details
- In order to get tuition covered it will need to be on your program of study and approved by your PI and committee.
- Comprehensives will need to be completed by the end of the 3\textsuperscript{rd} year
- Courses held in the evenings
- Any questions- contact Dr. Monaghan

- Discussion
  - Potential Spring Seminar
    - Don Skifter, MBA and Ph.D.
    - Technical Sales, capital equipment for Sequenome
    - Friday, Feb 1\textsuperscript{9th}
    - He is giving a technical seminar to pharmacology in the morning, GSA seminar may be in the afternoon
    - Discussion of his career journey
    - Q&amp;A session preferred, although more difficult to pull off.
  - Spring Social Event Ideas
    - Bowling at West Lanes
    - Dave and Busters
    - Go Karting
    - Movie night at Midtown Crossing Theater
    - Lazer Tag
    - Stephanie and Miriam will look into and report back at the next meeting

- Other business
  - It was brought up that the guidelines for paperwork for the comprehensive and graduation are not well advertised. Is there a way to get Graduate Studies and/or each department to better post these guidelines? James will look into.

Submitted by,
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