

OSU PDA Monthly Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, December 18, 2018, Research Commons 12-1pm

Background: The PDA was established in January 2013 with support from the Office of Research, is run by Postdoc volunteers, and supported by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA), the Postdoc Advisory Council (PAC), advisors from the Office of Research and colleges throughout the university. The purpose of PDA is to address the needs and concerns of its members by:

Providing representation and liaison between its members and the administration

Advocating for constructive changes in the research environment and in policies that affect the lives of postdocs and their families

Promoting the academic and non-academic career goals of its members

Building a community of postdocs by promoting interaction between postdocs on academic, social, cultural and political issues

National Postdoc Association (NPA)

General PDA Business	Sara Koenig and Leanna Perez
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January meeting will include presentations for each committee for 2019 goals and respective budgets • Co-chairs will send ideas to committees for possible new initiatives based on budget • PDA Co-chairs will take a more active role in assisting committees with filling executive positions 	
Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA)	Marcela Hernandez
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder about Certificate Program • Potential program to facilitate invited oral presentations • Will be a non-expert audience, for example to undergraduates, skills in communication and building CV with invited talks 	
International Committee	Faith Brennan and Mona El Refaey
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tax Session for International Postdocs: January 25th (Friday) from 12-2 PM with Jeffery Mason; Research Commons Rm 350 • Will send out registration request to get questions ahead of time for the speaker • Looking for another co-chair • If interested contact co-chairs 	
Social Committee	Ayala Allon and Jennifer Gomez Pastora
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates from Happy Hour on Dec 7 at the Bottle Shop • Next Happy Hour: Jan 25 at 6:30, BrewDog, Short North • Next Coffee break will be on Monday Jan 14 between 11:45am-1:00pm at the Biomedical Research Tower room #134 • Distributed a social events survey to explore what other events might interest postdocs • Thanks to a great idea by Nathalie, we'll organize an international potluck in Feb. 	
Professional Development Committee	Angela Filous and Mahesh Chemudupati
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring plans are to focus on getting the career fair planned for June 2019 	
Policy and Advocacy Committee	Leo Taylor and Hardy Castada
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living wage/compensation for postdocs- plans for 2019 • Some postdocs on campus are still not being paid 48,000, above the amount that would require hourly pay. Not university wide, some departments still using lower salary (\$47,476). • Know Your Rights" workshops! • Parking permits- plans for survey in 2019 	
Development Committee	Nathalie Houssin

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated with Undergraduate Office of Research to re-vamp the Mentorship Symposium for postdocs with the Undergraduate Spring Research Forum- more information in January • Will send out survey to gauge interest • Looking for a replacement chair • Fischer sponsored contest of research presentation, will be a half day, have a list of interested participants 	
Travel awards	Manoj Gottipati
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates? • Should be wrapped up by end of year with results 	
Website Admin and Marketing	Manoj Gottipati
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please send event updates at least 1-2 weeks ahead of time so that Manoj can post everything in a timely manner • New plans for website updates in 2019 	
Treasurer	Nathalie Houssin
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates with Budget for 2019 spending 	
Secretary	Laura Chavez
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January meeting will be include the presentations about committee initiatives for 2019 <p><u>Next PDA Meetings and Locations:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 16th, 11:30am to 1:30pm, BRT Room 130 • February 20th, 11:30am to 1:30pm Research Commons Room 352 • March 20th, 11:30am to 1:30pm, DHLRI 165 • April 17th, 11:30am to 1:30pm Research Commons Room 352 • May 15th, 11:30am to 1:30pm, DHLRI 165 • June 19th, 11:30am to 1:30pm Research Commons Room 352 • July 17th, 11:30am to 1:30pm, BRT Room 130 	