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Office of Career Development

ASPIRE EVENTS OF THE FORTNIGHT

[ASPIRE Bistro for PhD Students:](#)

[Savvy Science: Professionalism Strategies for Success](#)

Featuring Kate Stuart, Assistant Director, BRET Office of Career Development ASPIRE Program

Wednesday, December 4 • 2:00pm • Light Hall 415

ASPIRE Internship: Scientific Peer Review Management Intern

[Doris Duke Charitable Foundation](#)

Deadline: December 6

[2020 ASPIRE Module: Management and Business Principles for Scientists](#)

Deadline: December 9

[PhD Career Stories: AJ Baucum, II, PhD,](#)

[Assistant Professor at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis](#)

Co-sponsored by the IBSTO Training Grant

Friday, December 13 • 10:00am • Light Hall 214

[Registration requested.](#)

CV/Resume Drop-In Clinic

Wednesday • 12:30-1:30pm (*drop in anytime within the hour!*) • Light Hall 340

[The Writing Studio Drop-In Hours](#)

Fridays • 2:00-4:00pm • Light Hall 433

MODULE REMINDER

The [Spring 2020 ASPIRE Modules](#) are now open! Take a look below at all of the offerings beginning in January.

Module deadlines vary. Click each picture to follow the link to module descriptions.



ASPIRE MODULE

MANAGEMENT AND
BUSINESS PRINCIPLES
FOR SCIENTISTS

LED BY JOE RANDO, MBA



ASPIRE MODULE

PRACTICAL STRATEGIES
FOR STRONG WRITING

LED BY BETH ESTES, PHD



ASPIRE MODULE

STEM TEACHING
IN K12 SCHOOLS

LED BY JENNIFER UFNAR, PHD



ASPIRE MODULE

CREATING EFFECTIVE
SCIENTIFIC TALKS AND
DELIVERING THEM WITH
CONFIDENCE

LED BY KATHY GOULD, PHD



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Dawn Stults, PhD
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Kristopher Burkewitz**

Dr. Kris Burkewitz, PhD, is currently on th...



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Each year the [Center for Teaching \(CFT\)](#) recruits a number of graduate students to support its work with graduate students as teaching assistants and future faculty members. [Learn more](#) about Graduate Teaching Fellows and Teaching Affiliates.

Learn more about [Science Corps](#) which aims to build STEM capacity worldwide while empowering the next generation of global scientists. Science Corps welcomes applications from individuals who have recently completed or will soon receive a PhD in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics) discipline, but who have not yet begun a faculty or similar level position.

UPCOMING BRET EVENTS

CV/Resume Drop-In Clinic

Cancelled on December 25 + January 1

Wednesday

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Learn more [here](#).

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[ASPIRE Job Search Series: Informational Interviewing](#)

Featuring Ashley Brady, PhD, Assistant Dean of Biomedical Career Engagement and Strategic Partnerships

Wednesday, December 18

2:00pm

Light Hall 415



for PhD Students & Postdocs



ASPIRE INTERNSHIPS

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The ASPIRE Program is excited to offer ASPIRE Internships, which will be advertised on a rolling basis throughout the year. Currently open:

Scientific Peer Review Management Intern

[Doris Duke Charitable Foundation](#)

Deadline: Friday, December 6

For more information on eligibility requirements and how to apply, check our [FAQs page](#).

OTHER EVENTS

[Women in the Academy Series: Negotiating Your First Academic Job](#)

Wednesday, December 4

12:00pm

DEADLINES

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Deadline: December 9

[AAAS Mass Media Science & Engineering Fellowship](#)

Deadline: January 1

[2020 ASPIRE Module: STEM Teaching in K-12 Schools](#)

Deadline: January 6

[2020 ASPIRE Module: Creating Effective Scientific Talks and Delivering Them With Confidence](#)

Deadline: January 6

[2020 ASPIRE Module: Practical Strategies for Strong Writing](#)

Deadline: January 6

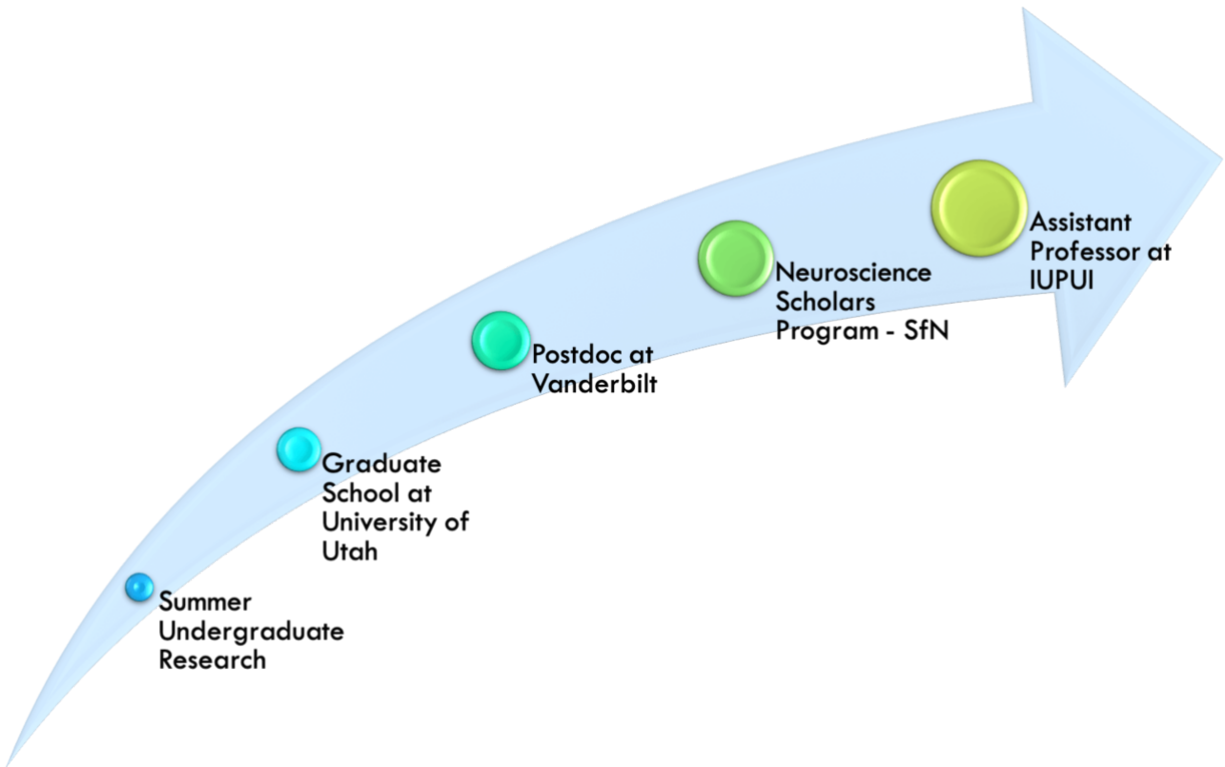
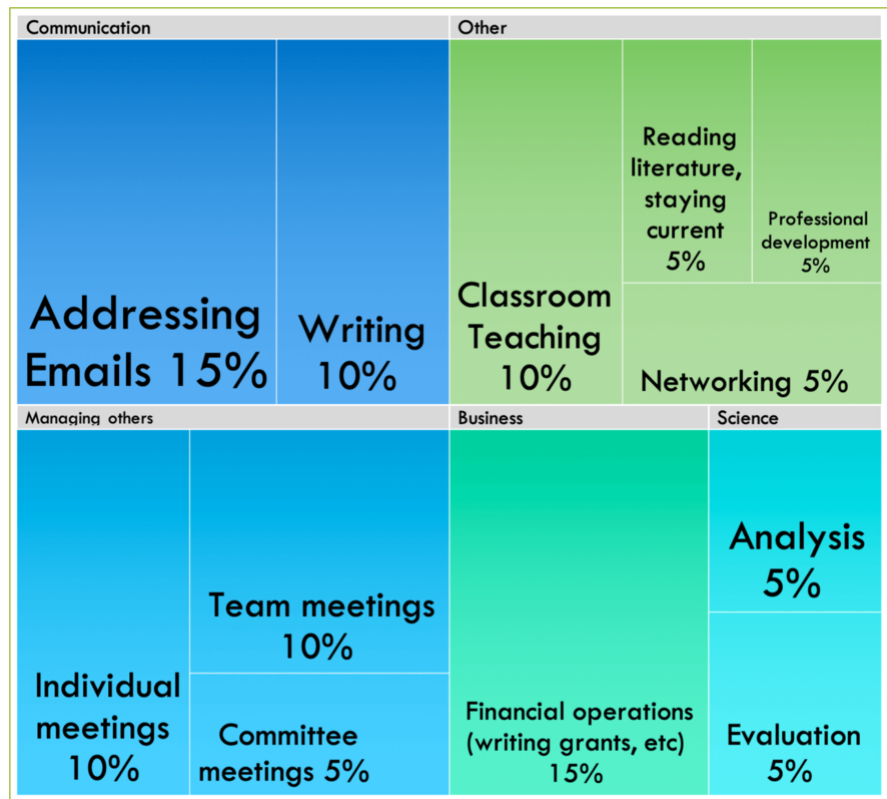
[Chateaubriand Fellowship](#)

Deadline: January 7

GET TO KNOW OUR SPEAKER: A.J. Baucum, PhD

Speaker Highlight

Dr. AJ Baucum, PhD, will be our featured speaker for the December PhD Career Stories seminar. We asked him a few questions prior to his visit. See what he had to say below and be sure to attend his talk on December 13th! (Register [here!](#))



AJ BAUCUM, II, PHD



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR,
DEPARTMENT OF
BIOLOGY
INDIANA UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT YOUR JOB, AND WHAT IS THE MOST CHALLENGING ASPECT?

I like training and mentoring students and I actually like writing grants – it lets me really think about the science. The most challenging aspect is getting the grants funded

IS THERE ANY ADVICE YOU WOULD
GIVE SOMEONE JUST ENTERING THE
FIELD, MAYBE SOMETHING THAT YOU
WISH SOMEONE HAD MENTIONED WHEN
YOU WERE STARTING?

We don't get any training in how to
find the people who best fit the lab

CONSIDERING ALL THE
PEOPLE YOU'VE MET IN YOUR
FIELD, WHAT PERSONAL
ATTRIBUTES ARE ESSENTIAL
FOR SUCCESS?

Perseverance and collegiality.

find the people who best fit the job. Specifically how to interview candidates and how to find the best fits. Management issues and being flexible in your approach can be challenging

I think collaborating with people and being helpful how you can help with success.

**WHEN YOU WERE A KID,
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO BE
WHEN YOU GREW UP?**

A Marine Biologist

**WHAT SHOW ARE YOU BINGE
WATCHING NOW?**

Mostly food shows – just finished season 7 of “The Great British Baking Show” and watch Holiday Baking Championship.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Follow us our job feed on Twitter! [@VUBRETPhDJobs](#)

If you would like to advertise an open job or postdoc position in the BRET Office of Career Development newsletter, please post the opportunity through our [webform](#) or contact [Kate Stuart](#). We welcome submissions from faculty, alumni, postdocs, students, and the community.

Local Opportunities

[Incyte Research Scholars Program, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN](#)

[Regulatory Health Program Coordinator, The Food and Drug Administration, Center for Tobacco Products, Beltsville, MD](#)

Other Opportunities

[Postdoctoral Research Scientist, RNA Therapeutics-FDE, Lilly, Indianapolis, IN](#)

[Product Manager, Education, Company Name Chan Zuckerberg Initiative Company Location Redwood City, CA](#)

[Postdoctoral Researcher / Research Scientist, Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development, New York University: NYU, New York, NY](#)

[Postdoctoral position, Cancer Immunotherapy, University of California, San Francisco, CA](#)

[Open Rank Tenure-Track or Tenured Faculty, Department of Neurobiology, University of Alabama at Birmingham, AL](#)

[Faculty Position, Department of Pathology in the Biological Sciences Division, The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL](#)

[Faculty Position, Microbiology, Immunology, Parasitology, Louisiana State University Health Science Center, New Orleans, LA](#)

[Professional Development Specialist, Vice Provost for Graduate Education & Faculty Development \(VPGEFD\), Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA](#)

[Scientific Education & Outreach Program Coordinator, The Cardiovascular Institute \(CVI\), Stanford University, CA](#)

[Academic Program Professional 2, School of Medicine, Stanford University, Stanford, CA](#)

[Curriculum Design Specialist \(Laboratory Associate\), Faculty of Arts and Science \(FAS\): Center for Neural Science, New York University: NYU, New York, NY](#)

[Health Scientist Administrator, The National Institute on Aging, NIH, Bethesda, MD](#)

[Staff Scientist, Laboratory of Clinical Immunology and Microbiology, Bacterial Pathogenesis and Antimicrobial Resistance Unit \(BPARU\), NIAID, Bethesda, MD](#)

[Full-time various positions, Office of Workforce Planning and Development \(OWPD\), National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda, MD](#)

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