Have a great summer! If there are any events not mentioned in this newsletter, announcements will be sent out individually to the appropriate groups until the Fall.

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Upcoming Events:
**MSU RDSP Distinguished Lecture**
**Monday, May 6, 2018; 12:00-1:00 PM; 1279 Anthony Hall**
Distinguished Lecture by Dr. Patricia Hunt, Prof. of Molecular Biosciences, Washington State Univ.

**Genetics Symposium!**
**Tuesday, May 7, 8:00am – 5:30pm**
The 2019 Genetics symposium theme is “Epigenetic Stress Memory”. There is no charge for this event and lunch will be provided. Program and registration information is available at [https://genetics.natsci.msu.edu/events/symposia/2019-epigenetic-stress-memory/](https://genetics.natsci.msu.edu/events/symposia/2019-epigenetic-stress-memory/)

**Career Paths in Life Sciences**
**Tuesday, May 7th; 4:00 PM, 1425 BPS**
Career Opportunities Panel with MSU Alumni.

**Pharm Tox Seminar**
**Wednesday May 8, 12:00 PM. B448 Life Science Building**
Dr. Kevin Jones, University of Michigan, "Physiology, Molecular, and Behavioral Characterization of NMDA Receptor"

**MMG PhD Preliminary Examination Assessment**
Russell Fling, Zacharewski Lab, “Repression of Hepatic One Carbon Metabolism in 2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD)-Elicited Progression of Steatosis to Steatohepatitis with Fibrosis in Mice”

**2019 Spring Conference on Student Learning and Success: Cultivating Curiosity for Teaching, Learning, and Student Success**
May 6-8, 2019 in Wells Hall.
This year the Student Success Data Summit and the Spring Teaching and Learning Conference have combined into one event!
The goal of the conference is to share data related to student learning and success, leverage the campus community’s collective skills and knowledge about teaching, learning, assessment, research, and administrative processes to advance student learning and success, and benefit the entire university community.
Conference is open to faculty, postdoc and graduate students.

**Evolution and Core Processes in Gene Expression Symposium**
May 9-12 @ MSU
The American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology is hosting this amazing symposium. For more information and to register go to [https://www.asbmb.org/specialsymposia/2019/geneexpression/](https://www.asbmb.org/specialsymposia/2019/geneexpression/).

**Symposium on Neurobiology of Motivate Behavior**
**Thursday, May 16, 2019, 9AM-6PM;**
Click Here to Register: [https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=MHEXIi9kZUGSEXQjetVofVmiwwRNyFVEprFEqpp1LlhVUQzYMDIwTiwDQ1ZMTExMQY5UEkWkZzVRy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=MHEXIi9kZUGSEXQjetVofVmiwwRNyFVEprFEqpp1LlhVUQzYMDIwTiwDQ1ZMTExMQY5UEkWkZzVRy4u)
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Events at the Grad School, register at https://grad.msu.edu/events

Certification in College Teaching Institute (2-day program)
Thursday, May 9, 2019, MSU Union

This intensive program that will help fulfill the workshop portion of the requirements for the MSU CCTP. Over the course of two days, featured speakers will focus on teaching with technology, assessing student learning outcomes, creating effective learning environments through writing, and developing teaching portfolios for different kinds of academic institutions. Through a combination of interactive group sessions and focused breakouts, you will gain skills in core competency areas of the Certification, plan a mentored teaching project, and develop the template for your final portfolio. The CCTP culminates in the preparation of an e-portfolio that will help participants prepare for academic job interviews and plan for their professional development as early career faculty.

Registration fee: $20
Registration will be open from March 11, 2019 until May 7, 2019 (or until full). Click here for more information.

Work/Life Resilience for Postdocs
Chittenden Hall (Rm. 110); Friday, May 10, 2019; 9:00am to 11:00am

Join us in an interactive workshop discussing what it means to be resilient and how to come back stronger. Participants will identify barriers, explore evidence-based strategies, and draft an action plan to go forward with resilience in their personal and professional contexts. Click here to register.

MSU Student Organic Farm
The Student Organic Farm Stand opened the first week of April and will run through the end of October; it is available every Thursday from 11 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. at Farm Lane and Auditorium Road next to the Rock, under the big white tent. All the food they have available is USDA Certified Organic and locally grown by students and the farm crew.

Here are some of the items they offer throughout the season:
Spring: eggs, asparagus, spinach, lettuce, brassica salad mix, chard, kale, radishes, turnips, peas, and strawberries.
Summer: tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, cucumber, summer squash, sweet corn, green beans, some cut flowers, raspberries, and other small fruit.
Fall: eggs, pumpkins, brussels sprouts, broccoli and cauliflower, raspberries, strawberries, pears, Asian pears, grapes, hazelnuts, and dried flowers.

Course Announcement:
IBIO 890: Special Problems—Section 606
cross listed as GEN800–Section 001
Fall Semester 2019, 1 Credit
Comparative Animal Genomics
Schedule: M, 2:40-3:50 PM
Location: 351 Natural Sciences
Instructor: Ingo Braasch, Integrative Biology

Animal genomes are sequenced, analyzed, and published at an ever-increasing pace due to the revolutions in genome sequencing methods and genomic data analysis. This offers unprecedented opportunities to compare genomes across animal lineages and to derive a comprehensive understanding into the evolution of animal genome architecture, genome content, and genome function. In this course, we will discuss recent advances in, unforeseen insights into, and tests of longstanding hypotheses about animal genome evolution using examples from the genome research literature into a broad variety of topics. The course will specifically highlight the comparative, evolutionary aspects of animal genome function analysis.
Scholarships/Fellowships:

**Fellowship Opportunity with the Army Research Laboratory (ARL)**

**Due May 31, 2019**

The Army Research Laboratory (ARL) invites exceptional young researchers to apply for an **ARL Distinguished Postdoctoral Fellowship** ([www.nas.edu/arl](http://www.nas.edu/arl)). This fellowship provides recipients the opportunity to pursue independent research while working alongside some of the nation’s best scientists and engineers. Applicants must display extraordinary ability in scientific research and show clear promise of becoming outstanding leaders. Successful candidates will have already tackled a major scientific or engineering problem or will have provided a new approach or insight, evidenced by a recognized impact in their field.

Job Opportunities:

**Summer Graduate Assistant Opportunity: Podcast Production**

The Office of Research and Innovation at MSU has an opportunity for a research assistant to work as part of a podcast production team. This is a half-time, graduate student opportunity for summer 2019. Information can be found at: [https://vp.research.msu.edu/news/summer-graduate-assistant-opportunity-podcast-production](https://vp.research.msu.edu/news/summer-graduate-assistant-opportunity-podcast-production) Deadline for application is May 3, 2019.

**MSU PhD Career Services Graduate Assistantship 2019-20**

MSU PhD Career Services is looking for a half-time GA for 2019-20. See attached document for information. Application deadline: Friday, May 24, 2019, 6:00 PM