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BU GWISE Newsletter and Upcoming Events - January 2011

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Greetings GWISE community!

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GWISE Upcoming Events

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1. GWISE and WISE Happy Hour at Scoози

Date: Thursday, January 20

Time: 5-6:30pm

Location: Scoози (580 Commonwealth Ave)

Come to unwind, socialize, and network with GWISE grad students and WISE faculty members! Appetizers will be provided.

The first 40 RSVPs receive a FREE DRINK ticket for wine or beer! You can't go wrong!

[RSVP Here!](#)

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2. Tea and Talk with BU's New Provost: Dr. Jean Morrison, Geologist

Date: Tuesday, January 25

Time: 3:30 pm

Location: Life Science and Engineering Building (LSEB) Room 103

[RSVP HERE](#)

Did you know that Dr. Jean Morrison, a geologist from USC, is the first female provost in Boston University history? Take a break from classes and research and join GWISE for tea, snacks, and casual conversation with Dr. Morrison! She'll chat about her experiences as a geologist, professor, administrator, and advocate for women in science - and you can find out more about her new position here as the chief academic officer at BU.

RSVP requested (so we know how much food to get!) - just [SIGN UP HERE](#). Please help GWISE go green by bringing your own mug! Questions? Contact gwise@bu.edu.

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3. GWISE February Book Club: Never Let Me Go

Date : Friday, February 4

Time: 12pm

Location: SMG, room TBD

Our first Book Club of the semester will be reading Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro. This compelling novel, narrated by an alumni from a fictional school in the English countryside, explores the lives of special students who live in puzzling circumstances. Only gradually, the truth about the school and the fate of its students becomes more clear, leaving the reader to absorb the full magnitude of their story, including its social implications.

The movie released in 2010 with the same name was based on the book.

GWISE has several copies of the book available; please contact Rachel at trcs204@bu.edu to borrow one!

To attend, please [RSVP HERE](#)

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4. GWISE Wednesday Morning Workout Group

Date: Weekly, starting Thursday, January 20

Time: 7:45am

Location: FitRec

Want to get fit? The morning workout group will continue to meet this semester. This is open to women of all athletic abilities who are looking to improve their all-around fitness level. We'll meet at FitRec and go nearby to do something different every week, drawing on a wide variety of creative cardio, agility, and calisthenic exercises that you'd probably never get out and do on your own!

Don't worry, workouts will be flexible enough to accommodate all fitness levels!

Interested? Contact Allison (asquires@bu.edu) for details.

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GWISE Professional Development Series Upcoming Events

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5. Negotiations Book Club- Ask For It

Date: Wednesday, January 19

Time: 1pm

Location: MCS Room 137, 111 Cummington St

We are continuing to read Ask For It by Linda Babcock and Sara Laschever. For this meeting, we will be discussing 'Phase I: Everything is Negotiable'. Anyone interested in joining the book club is welcome. If you would like to attend the meeting, please [RSVP here](#).

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6. Work-Life Balance Seminar (GWISE Professional Development Series)

Dr. Joanne Kamens (RXi Pharmaceuticals): 10 Commandments of Work-Life Balance for Scientists

Date: Monday, February 7

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Life Science and Engineering Building (LSEB) Room 103

[RSVP HERE](#)

Juggling your career and research along with your family and personal life can be challenging! Come get tips on how to maintain a healthy, happy, and productive work-life balance from Dr. Joanne Kamens of RXi Pharmaceuticals. Dr. Kamens has more than 20 years of industry experience in pharma, biotech, small and large molecule research management and therapeutic strategy planning. Outside of work, Dr. Kamens is a proud mom and a strong advocate for women in science and engineering through local

organizations like AWIS (Founding Past President) and WEST (Board of Directors). She is also a member of the Boston University GWISE Advisory Board. We're so excited to kick off GWISE's spring Professional Development Series with a seminar on work-life balance, given by a scientist who has truly mastered the balancing act!

Light refreshments will be served, so please [RSVP HERE](#) to help us get a head count.

Contact gwise@bu.edu with any questions. See you there!

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**7. Presentation Skills Seminar (GWISE Professional Development Series)
Professor Irving Bigio (BU Biomedical Engineering): How to Write and Give a Great Presentation**

Date: Tuesday, February 22

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Life Science and Engineering Building (LSEB) Room 103

[RSVP HERE](#)

Presenting work effectively is a crucial skill for researchers in every field. Whether it's for a conference, lab meeting, or job talk, there are a few simple rules that can make your presentation shine. Professor Irving Bigio has coached engineering graduate students for years on how to create and deliver effective and memorable presentations - and in this seminar he'll share them with the GWISE and graduate student community! Please join us on February 22nd for the second installment of our Professional Development Series, and give yourself an edge by improving your presentation skills!

[RSVP HERE](#) if you plan to attend, and please contact gwise@bu.edu if you have any questions!

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Events Outside BU

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8. WEST: Annual Holiday Party & Networking Event

Date: Thursday, January 20

Time: 6-9pm

Location: 155 Seaport Blvd, Boston, MA

Hosted by WEST/Women Entrepreneurs in Science and Technology

PRE-REGISTRATION (until 9pm Tuesday, January 18): \$45 WEST Member; \$60 Non-Member. \$15 more at the door. Light dinner and refreshments included. This event is open to the public - everyone is welcome to attend!

REGISTRATION AND MORE INFO: www.WESTorg.org

You are invited to one of WEST's most exciting events of the year! In addition to formal and informal networking opportunities, we will also honor three extraordinary women whose outstanding achievements in science and technology and service to others has enriched and inspired our community:

-Jean Hammond, Angel Investor, Golden Seeds

-Janice Bourque, Managing Director, Hercules Technology Growth Capital

-June Rokoff, Co-founder, The Commonwealth Institute

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9. WEST: Alternative Careers for Scientists and Engineers

Date: Thursday, February 10

Time: 6-9pm

Location: Microsoft New England Research & Development Center, One Memorial Drive, Cambridge (One Block from Kendall Square T Stop)

If you are exploring your options, leaving your job, or want to learn more about career

choices, please join us for our annual *Alternative Careers in Science and Technology* event. Meet our panel of over 10 "One-Night Mentors" who have experience breaking into and thriving in careers outside of academia including: business development, patent law, consulting, communications, project management, financial services, and technology transfer. Mentors will introduce themselves and then will be available for "speed networking" at separate tables, where you can talk with mentors and learn more about their careers.

Cost is only \$20 for students and postdocs!

For more information, and to RSVP, please

visit <http://www.westorg.org/mc/page.do?sitePageId=122827>

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10. Futures in Life Sciences Program- Kick-Off Meeting

Date: Wednesday, January 26

Time: 5:30-8:00pm

Location: MassBio, One Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA 02142

Propel Careers, MassBio, and the **MassBioEd** have joined together to organize a series of networking and panel events focused on raising awareness of career paths that exist in life sciences for individuals with advanced degrees. This **Futures in Life Science** program will bring together experts across a wide range of disciplines and functional areas within the life science industry, who will detail their roles and will provide a rich context for the audience to gain a clear understanding of the skills, aptitudes, competencies, and personalities that thrive in their particular functions.

Attendance for this program is open to current graduate students and post doctoral fellows who are interested in careers in the life sciences industry.

The program will be launched on January 26th and will be followed by six seminars focusing on specific areas. The kick-off meeting will provide an overview of the program goals and the life science industry, as well as a high level overview of the six seminars that will follow including opportunities in those areas.

For more information, and to register, visit <http://futuresinlifesciences1.eventbrite.com/>.

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11. AWIS: Communication Style Workshop

Date: Tuesday, February 22

Time: 6:00-9:30pm

Location: Lando & Anastasi - One Main Street, Eleventh Floor, Cambridge, MA 02142

Please join the Massachusetts AWIS chapter for a Communication Style Workshop hosted by Sarah Cardozo Duncan. Sarah is a Boston-based career strategist with over twenty years of recruitment and career development experience and she will be working with AWIS members to develop and refine their communication skills.

The Communication Workshop is only open to 40 AWIS members.

If you would like to attend the event and are not yet an AWIS member,

please visit www.awis.org to sign up and be sure to select the Massachusetts Chapter.

Registration starts Monday, January 17th, 2011!!!

<http://www.acteva.com/booking.cfm?bevaId=214332>

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