

GWISE January Newsletter

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JANUARY 5, 2012

Greetings GWISE!

This month we've got an assortment of fun events designed to help keep you warm! GWISE is offering new workout hours starting January 17th to help you break a sweat! If that doesn't do it, than taking a deeper plunge into your graduate student finances will! SMG Professor Kathryn Griner is offering a special finance bootcamp on January 20th! Bring your calculators!

Lastly, remember to mark your calendars for our spring flagship event, the Career Fair and Networking Reception on February 23rd. Bring your resumes or just your friendliest networking smiles. Refreshments and fun will be served. More information below!

~GWISE

****Are you graduating soon? Congratulations! If you'd like to continue to hear about GWISE events and maybe share some sage advice, add your information [here](#) so we can keep you updated!****

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GWISE EVENING FITNESS GROUP AT FITREC

GWISE Evening Fitness Group at FitRec

We will start new spring hours on Jan 17!

Date & Time (spring semester): Wednesdays 7-8pm RM L126 & Fridays 5-6pm RM 220

Come join the free awesome GWISE workout group! The workouts include: cardio-kickboxing, core, stability ball and more. If you'd like to be in the group and get updates about the schedule, please add yourself to the gwise-fitness google group: <http://groups.google.com/group/gwise-fitness>

Contact limor@bu.edu if you have any questions.

GWISE EVENT: JANUARY BOOK CLUB – BRAVE NEW WORLD

GWISE January Book Club - Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

This month, GWISE will be reading Brave New World. Aldous Huxley's tour de force, Brave New World is a darkly satiric vision of a "utopian" future—where humans are genetically bred and pharmaceutically anesthetized to passively serve a ruling order. A powerful work of speculative fiction that has enthralled and terrified readers for generations, it remains remarkably relevant to this day as both a warning to be heeded as we head into tomorrow and as thought-provoking, satisfying entertainment.

Contact Rachel at rsc204@bu.edu to borrow a copy of the book.

Date: Friday, January 27th

Time: 12pm

Location: Alumni Board Room, SMG 7th floor

PLEASE [RSVP HERE](#)

GWISE EVENT: MANAGING PERSONAL FINANCE AND PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE ON A GRADUATE STUDENT BUDGET WITH SMG PROFESSOR KATHRYN GRINER

Managing Personal Finance and Planning for the Future on a Graduate Student Budget with SMG Professor Kathryn Griner

Date : January 20th, 2012 *Mark Your Calendars!*

Time: 3:15 PM - 4:30 PM

Location: LSE 103, Life Science and Engineering Building at 24 Cummington Street

Bring your calculators and your questions!

GWISE is pleased to announce a finance workshop event with special guest speaker, SMG Professor Kathryn Griner. Professor Griner has been teaching at SMG for 17 years, primarily focusing on two courses: "Introduction to Finance" and "Introduction to Investment Banking". Prior to teaching at BU, she worked as an investment banker in San Francisco, New York, and Boston.

During the GWISE finance workshop, Professor Griner will be sharing her insight and advice on how to manage personal finance, how to invest, and how to plan for retirement on a graduate student stipend.

PLEASE [RSVP HERE!](#)

GWISE EVENT: WEST END HOUSE BOYS AND GIRLS SCIENCE CLUB IN ALLSTON

Want to share your excitement about science with 3rd-5th grade girls? Volunteer as a science club mentor at the West End House Boys and Girls Club in [Allston](#)! We will be covering topics ranging from chemistry to circuits to civil engineering. There will be a mandatory training at the end of February from 4-6pm (date TBA). Clubs will tentatively start the first week in February and will occur weekly from 5-6pm (day TBA). The commitment is flexible - you don't need to come every week, but should be able to commit to coming to four out of the nine club meetings. At the end of the semester, we will have a mini science fair during the West End House family night.

We're still hammering out the details of date and time - but If interested, please email Liz at eperuski@bu.edu

GWISE EVENT: CAREER FAIR & NETWORKING RECEPTION

Career Fair & Networking Reception 2012!

Date : February 23, 2012

Time: 4-7pm

Location: 9th Floor Trustees Ballroom, SMG

It's almost that time again! Our annual spring flagship event is quickly approaching. The GWISE Career Fair and Networking Reception is a great opportunity to mingle with fellow graduate students as well as HR reps and female employees from a variety of local companies. Company representatives will be available to look at resumes/CVs, recruit for job openings, and talk to students about what it's like to work at their company.

Stay tuned for more details!

HARVARD GWISE & VOICE OF YOUNG SCIENCE (VOYS) USA NETWORK EVENT: "STANDING UP FOR SCIENCE" WORKSHOP – APP DUE JAN. 25TH

"Standing up for Science" Workshop:

Aim:

Standing up for Science workshops consist of a day-long series of interactive discussions designed to get early career researchers comfortable with speaking publicly about science. There will be 3 panels: 1) scientists with media experience, 2) journalists from a variety of journalistic media to provide perspectives on "a day in their life" and how scientists can help them to better communicate science to the public, 3) a university press officer and others currently engaged in "standing up for science" to offer practical guidance. The panelists will only offer brief remarks to spark conversation (no PowerPoint), so come prepared to offer your two-cents and actively participate!

This workshop will be the beginning of the Voice of Young Science (VoYS) USA network, an informal group of early-career scientists interested in active public engagement to promote science literacy and evidence-based decision-making. All workshop participants will be allowed to opt-out of joining

VoYS USA. Otherwise, you're in! But there are no strings or commitments attached. VoYS works by individuals stepping up in the ways they choose, when they are able. Things that have already been accomplished by the international VoYS network include getting the WHO to release a statement against homeopathic treatments to combat life-threatening illnesses like HIV/AIDS and malaria (More about VoYS here: <http://www.senseaboutscience.org/pages/voys-campaigns-64.html>).

SPACE IS LIMITED!

Who attends:

Participants are all early-career researchers (defined as grad student, post-doc, or first job position)

Important dates:

Jan 25 - Application (CV/resume and brief cover letter) due to international@senseaboutscience.org

Feb 10 - All-day workshop at the Broad Institute

Feel free to contact international@senseaboutscience.org with further questions.

AWIS EVENT: HOLIDAY PARTY & EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS

The Mass-AWIS Holiday Party & Executive Board Elections

Thursday January 19, 2012, **6:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

Charlesmark Hotel and Lounge

655 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116

Come celebrate the holidays with your local AWIS chapter!!

Meet fellow AWIS members and their guests at this festive event. Enjoy a buffet dinner, a complimentary drink, play games and win raffle prizes!

Non-members welcome to join in the celebration.

Admission includes buffet dinner and one beverage (soda/beer/wine)

\$25 members & guest of members

\$40 non-members

Register today at:

www.acteva.com/go/mass-awis

Not a member but want to meet the women of AWIS at the Holiday party and see what it's all about? Email gwise@bu.edu and we'll introduce you to a GWISE/AWIS member to head to the party with!

AWIS EVENT: FREE STEMINARS!

Start the new year off right by registering to participate in an AWIS STEMiNAR©! Normally a \$129.00 value, these programs are offered absolutely free to AWIS members as a member benefit. Here is a listing of what we are offering in January:

Tuesday, January 10 – 3:00 PM-4:00 PM EST

Mentoring Series: Using Mentoring and Networking to Develop Your Leadership Skills
Speaker: Dr. Donna Dean, AWIS Consultant and Past President

Friday, January 20 – 3:00 PM-4:00 PM EST

Research Series: What is Research Project Management and How is it Different?

Speaker: Susan Singer, SCPM, AWIS Consultant

Monday, January 23 – 10:00 AM-11:00 AM EST

Careers Outside Academia Series: A Career in Patent Law – Another Way to Use Your Science Degree

Speaker: Katherine Hamer, JD, Shareholder and Officer, TraskBritt, P.C.

Tuesday, January 31 – 10:00 AM-11:00 AM EST

Career Development Series: Informational Interviews – Get the Inside Scoop on Your Future Career

Speaker: Dr. Allison Beal, Postdoctoral Fellow, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

To obtain further details and to register for these programs, [click here](#) or paste the following URL into your web browser: <https://m360.awis.org/viewcalendar.aspx>

Questions? Email Cindy Simpson at simpson@awis.org or call [703.894.4490](tel:703.894.4490).

WEST EVENT: TOWN HALL MEETING

The WEST Executive Director and Board of Directors is offering this town-hall meeting to share the direction and vision for the organization and to answer any questions you may have about WEST's vision. This will also be a networking opportunity.

Refreshments will be provided.

Date and Time:

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Location:

1 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02142

[MAP](#)

Cost: Free

[To Register](#)

WEST EVENT: BUILDING YOUR PERSONAL BRAND WORKSHOP

West Executive Directors Ilene Fischer will lead this program that she developed when she worked with Management guru Tom Peters.

In this program you will:

- Understanding branding and its importance in the fullest sense.
- Understand your personal brand promise and
- Design a personal brand strategy that increases your distinction and inspired performance.

Date and Time:
January 17, 2012
6:00 - 9:00 PM

Location:
Microsoft
201 Jones Road
Suite 601
Waltham, MA 02451

[MAP](#)

Cost:

Members: \$50; Non-Members: \$80

Special Offer:

Combined membership and registration: \$120

This package rate is for both, renewing WEST members and non-members

[To Register](#)

WEST EVENT: ALTERNATIVE CAREERS FOR SCIENTISTS, ENGINEERS, AND TECHNOLOGISTS

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, Engineering and Technology event. Meet and network with an extensive panel of “One-Night Mentors” who have experience breaking into and thriving in careers 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.

Date and Time:
January 31, 2012
6:00 - 9:00 PM

Location:
Microsoft Nerd Center
1 Memorial Drive Cambridge, MA 02142

[MAP](#)

Cost:

Members: \$25; Non-Members: \$55 (+\$10 for "at the door" registrations)

Special Offer:

Combined membership and registration: \$70 for members and \$100 for non-members

[To Register](#)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Check out the GWISE calendar [here](#), and with one click, add our events to your Google calendar!

GWISE is looking for volunteers to help plan and execute events, and for students who want to get involved in pursuing a policy agenda. Do you think you might want to help? Email gwise@bu.edu and let us know your interests!

Are you an alum who wants to stay involved in GWISE?
Let us know at gwise@bu.edu and we will make sure you stay on our e-mailing list!