Duke Science & Society Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program

Science Communication Fellow

The Duke Initiative for Science & Society invites applications for the 2016-2017 Science Communication Fellowship Program. This fellowship is intended for individuals with a doctoral degree (PhD, MD, JD) who are interested in an academic or policy career in science communication.

Science & Society: The Duke Initiative for Science & Society ("Science & Society") examines the wideranging and integral role of science in social institutions and culture. Science & Society integrates and fosters innovation in related research, education, and engagement at Duke by adopting an interdisciplinary approach to understanding how science and human endeavors intersect with a specific focus on ethical, legal, and social implications for science. For more info: http://scienceandsociety.duke.edu.

The Fellowship: The Science & Society Fellowship is a residential one-year fellowship, with a possibility for renewal for a second year in limited circumstances. Fellows dedicate approximately two thirds of their time supporting the activities of Science & Society and one third of their time on self-directed research in science communication, education, and/or outreach. Fellows are provided with office space, a competitive stipend, and benefits.

Fellowship Responsibilities:

Support Science & Society activities:

• Help plan, coordinate, and conduct the Science Communication Fellows Program, which provides an opportunity for Duke faculty and postdocs to develop communication skills and put those skills into action.

• Teach or co-teach one to two classes

• Support the Broader Impact Resource Center (BIRC), a project which assists members of the Duke research community in their efforts to develop, implement, and assess programs focusing on the broader impacts of their research.

- Help plan and implement Science & Society workshops and events
- Complete other tasks as requested

Scholarship at the intersection of science and society:

• Complete at least one mentored research project which culminates in a manuscript of publishable quality

• Participate in bioethics conferences, workshops, and seminars as appropriate

The Application Process: Applicants should submit a CV, contact information for three references, a writing sample, an explanation of interest and experience in science communication, and a research proposal (in 2,000 words or less) to Mary Jo Smith (mary.jo.smith@duke.edu). The subject line of the email application should read "Application 2016 Science Communication Fellowship Program" and must be received no later than 5 p.m. on March 5, 2016. Fellows will be chosen based on demonstrated academic merit, on likelihood of future success in academia or science communication, and on the strength of their research proposals. Finalists will be notified by April 30, 2016.

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