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GSA Weekly – October 19, 2009

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## Preventing Disease: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?

Presented by: University of Miami Miller School of Medicine Department of Epidemiology and Public Health in conjunction with Miami-Dade Public Library System

This dynamic evening features a discussion by **Dr. Erin Kobetz**- Assistant Professor of Epidemiology and Public Health at University of Miami, the "Unnatural Causes" video documentary part 1 "In Sickness and in Wealth" as seen on PBS followed by a bilingual discussion led by **Martha Gonzales**- Partnership manager for Coastal Cancer Information Service. The event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

When: Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> , 6:30-8:30pm

Where: West Dade Regional Library, 9445 Coral Way

For more information, contact Recinda Sherman at [rsherman@med.miami.edu](mailto:rsherman@med.miami.edu) or 305-243-4602.

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## Songwriter's Showcase: Free Concert!



Cat 5 Music Publishing is bringing back the Annual Festival Miami Songwriter's Showcase. 14 finalists will perform their original music live on stage in hopes of winning the opening spot for Bruce Hornsby and Shawn Colvin the following evening. Judging for this event will be Grammy Award Winning artists Bruce Hornsby and Shawn Colvin, and two additional music business industry experts. Mark your calendars - this is going to be a phenomenal show!

When: Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 8pm

Where: Gusman Concert Hall

Price: Free Admission!

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## Want Help Getting an Academic Job?

If so, come to the Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Workshop on "Conducting an Academic Job Search". You'll hear from faculty members with extensive hiring committee experience and receive materials to assist you with the process (sample CVs and cover letters, for ex.). If you have questions, please contact Isis Artze-Vega, PFF Coordinator, at [i.artze@umiami.edu](mailto:i.artze@umiami.edu).

When: October 21, 2009, 5pm – 7pm

Where: Learning Center (LC) #160

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## “Career Strategies for Uncertain Economic Times”

“Career Strategies for Uncertain Economic Times,” a panel discussion hosted by The Johnson A. Edosomwan Leadership Institute and the Ziff Graduate Career Services Center at the School of Business Administration, and moderated by Terri A. Scandura, Academic Director of the Leadership Institute. The panel will include three experts in career consulting: Guy Cote, Partner-in-Charge, Heidrick & Struggles, Miami Elizabeth K. Hicks, Senior Client Partner, Korn/Ferry International, Miami Michael Sivori, Market Director, Kforce, overseeing Finance & Accounting and Technology staffing services in South Florida.

When: October 22, 2009, Refreshments at 5:30pm, Panel Discussion at 6pm

Where: James W. McLamore Executive Education Dining Room (located on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Aresty Building in the School Of Business)

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## Data Analysis with JMP Statistical Discovery Software

A challenge to many students in applied statistics courses is getting from concept to effective application. While most statistics software requires the user to memorize where techniques and graphics are located on menus, JMP® provides a smart interface that reinforces concepts and provides an intuitive framework for real-world data analysis. This workshop is for faculty and staff who use JMP or would like to learn more about it.

Register here: <http://www.iacmiami.org/events>

AGENDA includes: \* Navigating JMP and using its smart, graphical interface; \* Analyzing, graphing, and charting in a single step: regression, multivariate analysis, time series, data mining; \* Design of Experiments (DOE) and recursive partitioning; \* Interactive and motion-enabled graphs for examining 2D, 3D and up to 7 dimensions; \* JMP Integration with SAS

For more information please contact the Instructional Advancement Center 305-284-2008.

When: Monday October 26, 2009 from 12:00pm to 2:00pm  
Where: University Center Flamingo Ballroom 226, sections A/B  
Hosted by: Connie Freeman (connie.freeman@jmp.com)

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## RAD Women's Self Defense Class

Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) is an in-depth nationally recognized women's self-defense program that teaches the basic principles of safety awareness, risk reduction and practical physical defense techniques. The Basic Physical Defense Program consists of 12 hours of instruction, broken up over 3 evenings. By registering, you commit to attend all three classes.

Dates: October 26, October 28, & November 4

Time: 5:30-9:30

Where: Coral Gables Campus (exact location given once registered)

For more information, visit [www.miami.edu/police/selfdefense](http://www.miami.edu/police/selfdefense)

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## TA Workshop

TA Workshop Next Week:

The topic is "Learning Styles & Teaching with Style," and participants will be introduced to the varied ways students learn and how to adjust one's pedagogy accordingly, and they will also reflect on their own teaching style and consider alternative pedagogical approaches.

New, veteran, and even non-TAs are welcome!

If you have any questions about the workshop, please email Isis Artze-Vega at [i.artze@umiami.edu](mailto:i.artze@umiami.edu)

When: Tuesday, October 27, 2009 & a repeat session on Wednesday, October 28, 2009, both from 3pm-5pm.

Where: Flamingo Ballroom A & B, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, University Center

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## Halloween Horror Nights



Get a group of 20 or more and receive a discount ticket price for Universal Studios Halloween Horror Nights.

Select nights only, September 25<sup>th</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>

Check out their website for more info.

[http://www.halloweenhorror nights.com/orlando/group\\_sales.html](http://www.halloweenhorror nights.com/orlando/group_sales.html)

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## The SPEAK Test

What: Required to demonstrate ability in spoken English

Who: For prospective international Teaching Assistants

When: Test will be given on Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm

Where: Allen Hall – Room 102

A Photo I.D. (Cane Card or passport) is required. Please call Vanessa from the Intensive Language Institute office at (305) [284-4727](tel:3052844727) to reserve a place or email us at [alc.cstudies@miami.edu](mailto:alc.cstudies@miami.edu) . Students must be registered by 5:00, Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.

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## 2010 Competition for the UNCF/Merck Science Initiative Research Scholarships and Fellowships

Applications must be submitted online no later than December 1, 2009 at [www.uncf.org](http://www.uncf.org).

For further information, please contact Jerry L. Bryant, Ph.D. at 703/205-3503.

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### Weekly TA Teaching Circle at The Graduate School

Whether you want ideas for leading class discussions or need to gripe about the students you're TA-ing, the Graduate School invites you to a weekly teaching circle for TAs, every Friday from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., at The Graduate School. The TA Teaching Circle (TA-TC) is an informal discussion group where you can meet with fellow TAs to discuss teaching, and to give and receive advice. Meetings will also include mini-workshops on such topics as "Teaching Millennial Students," "Teaching with Technology," "Promoting Critical Thinking," "Grading & Assessment," "Problem-based Learning," and "Writing-to-Learn Activities." If you have any questions about the TA-TC or need directions to the Graduate School, please email Isis Artze-Vega at [i.artze@miami.edu](mailto:i.artze@miami.edu).

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If you are interested in advertising an event open to all graduate students, please e-mail the GSA at [gsa@miami.edu](mailto:gsa@miami.edu) by 5pm on Sundays.