

~ GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION ~
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First GSA Social at Splitsville



Come on out this Friday evening to Splitsville at Sunset Place! You'll get to meet graduate students from other departments while enjoying great music, free food, free bowling shoes, and a great atmosphere!

When: Friday, September 25th, 6:30-9:30pm

Where: Splitsville Luxury Lanes & Dinner Lounge at Sunset Place

5701 Sunset Drive
Coral Gable, FL 33143

Admission: Free, just bring your Cane Card or class schedule

Alpha Epsilon Lambda is Currently Accepting Nominations

UM's Beta Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Lambda (AEL), an honor society for graduate and professional school students, is now accepting nominations and self-nominations for membership.

Deadline: Friday, September 25, 2009.

For more information and nomination forms, please go to: <http://www6.miami.edu/ael> or contact AEL at AELMiami@gmail.com.

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## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Marine Science Graduate Student Organization Auction

Announcing the 2009 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Marine Science Graduate Student Organization auction! Proceeds benefit the graduate student travel fund.

### Rummage Sale

When: Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 10am-2pm

Where: Auditorium Breezeway at RSMAS

RAFFLE GIVEAWAYS

### Silent Auction

When: Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:30pm, Live Auction begins at 5pm

Where: RSMAS Commons

Admission: \$6

FREE FOOD & FREE BBER

All events to take place at the Rosenstiel School for Marine and Atmospheric Science, 4600 Rickenbacker Cswy, Miami, FL 33149.

For more information or to donate items, please contact [msgso@rsmas.miami.edu](mailto:msgso@rsmas.miami.edu).

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Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in Biology

The Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO) awards Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in Biology to recent recipients of the doctoral degree for research and training in selected areas of biology supported by BIO and with special goals for human resource development in biology. The fellowships encourage independence at an early stage of the research career to permit fellows to pursue their research and training goals in the most appropriate research locations.

Full Proposal Deadline Date: October 14, 2009

Program Guidelines: NSF 09-573

For more information, please visit

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=12720&WT.mc_id=USNSF_39

Songwriter Competition



Graduate student-run company, Cat 5 Music Publishing brings to UM its 2nd Annual Songwriter's Showcase. Submit your original music for the chance to open up for Grammy Award-winning songwriters Bruce Hornsby & Shawn Colvin at Festival Miami.

Mail your submissions to:
Cat 5 Music Publishing
PO Box 248165
Coral Gables, FL 33146

Submission Deadline: Tuesday, October 13th with a submission fee of \$20. (If you get your song in before Thursday, October 1st, pay only \$10.)

80s Glow Party Brought to You by Canes Night Live

When: September 25, from 10:30pm-2am
Where: The Ratskeller

It's an 80s Party so dress for the occasion. Food will be sponsored by Chipotle. And in true CNL style lots of giveaways!! There will be a jerkin' contest. So be ready to dance!

Join inDegree.

inDegree.com is a free professional networking and job-search website specifically designed for graduate students. Only graduate students and individuals with a graduate degree can join. All of the jobs posted on the website are for graduate degree holders only.

Fortune level employers also create profiles on inDegree to actively target students and post jobs.

For more information, visit www.indegree.com

Want Help Getting an Academic Job?

If so, come to the Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Workshop on "Conducting an Academic Job Search" on either Saturday, October 10, from 10 a.m. to noon, or (a repeat session) Wednesday, October 21, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. 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.). To participate, you can either nominate yourself, or be nominated by a faculty member or your graduate program director. If you have questions or would like to request a nomination form, please contact Isis Artze-Vega, PFF Coordinator, at i.artze@miami.edu.

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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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New GSA website coming soon!

The new GSA website will be accessible on Monday, September 28. If you haven't seen the current website, please visit www.miami.edu/gsa. We look forward to hearing your feedback about the new website on September 28.

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## Reminder: RA/ TA/ GA Health Insurance Credit

Deadline: Thursday, October 1st

In order to receive the health insurance credit, you must **sign up through payroll deduction.**

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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 by 5pm on Sundays.