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NSF International Funding Opportunity for Graduate Students in Your Community
NSF’s OIIA/ISE would like to make you aware of an opportunity for U.S. graduate students in your community to participate in research experiences in East Asian countries in summer 2014 through the East Asia & Pacific Summer Institutes (EAPSI) program. EAPSI supports 200-205 graduate students each year to do research in the lab of their choice in any of seven locations: Australia, China, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Singapore or Taiwan. Each institute has a fixed start and end date, and includes a pre-departure orientation near NSF and an in-country language and culture orientation. An EAPSI award includes a $5,000 stipend and round trip air ticket provided by NSF, and a living allowance provided by NSF’s counterpart funding agency in the host location. The program is open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents enrolled in research-oriented graduate programs in NSF-funded STEM fields. The U.S. graduate student is the PI on an EAPSI proposal. The application deadline for summer 2014 is November 25, 2013. The EAPSI program announcement and related information are available at http://www.nsf.gov/eapsi.
EAPSI is an excellent opportunity for U.S. graduate students to advance their research in collaboration with high-caliber scientists and engineers in East Asia and to build professional networks in a scientifically important region of the world. The program is entirely funded by ISE and our international partners: there is no cost to NSF directorates or to your PIs. It’s an excellent opportunity to leverage our resources to advance international research and education opportunities for your community. We invite you to share this mail or the link with PIs, graduate students, and others in your community who may benefit from the EAPSI opportunity.

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Conferences

Future of the Statistical Sciences Workshop Only Two Months Away: We seek your input

The Future of the Statistical Sciences Workshop, the capstone event of the International Year of Statistics, will be held November 11 and 12 in London, United Kingdom. The workshop will bring together statisticians from around the world, scientists who collaborate with statisticians, science writers and representatives from funding agencies.

Participation is by invitation only and will involve approximately 100 people. In addition to statisticians, the workshop will involve representatives from other areas of science and practice that involve problems of a statistical nature. The workshop will be organized around presentations and panels.

However, all will be able to view the workshop via the web thanks to Wiley Publishers.

Further, we seek the input of all interested parties. One of the major outcomes of the Workshop will be a paper, written by a professional science writer, which will be targeted to funding agencies. These agencies need to understand the statistical sciences and have a sense of where we are heading. To help us prepare this paper, and to help us set the tone for the workshop, we invite you to submit a brief statement describing your perspective on the current and near-term future state of the statistical
sciences you are most familiar with. We will compile all of the perspectives we receive to develop a global view. But we want to be sure to hear each voice.

Also, if you’d be willing to do so, we would benefit from your comments on the questions in the titles of these breakout sessions at the workshop:

- Core of the Discipline: Does it Exist?
- Large-Scale Statistical Science (Big Data, Data Science, Data Mining, Etc.): What are the Implications?
- Workforce Development, Graduate Education, Online Learning: How Will We Meet the Demand?
- Statistics and Society: Impact on a Global Scale?

Please send your perspectives and comments to Ron Wasserstein, Executive Director of the American Statistical Association, at ron@amstat.org.

NC-ASA Symposium

The Department of Statistics at North Carolina State University and the NC Chapter of ASA are delighted to sponsor a one-day conference, which will provide a forum for young researchers to discuss recent progress in statistical theory and applications, thereby provide new directions for statistical inference in various fields.


The symposium will feature plenary talks given by two of the eminent speakers from the triangle area; the morning plenary talk will be delivered by Professor Ross Leadbetter (UNC-CH) and the afternoon plenary talk will be given by Professor Marie Davidian (NCSU). Professor Leadbetter, a fellow of the ASA and IMS, will present a very exciting talk which will take us on a journey through "The early development of Statistics in N.C." In the afternoon, Professor Davidian, the current president of the ASA will present an illuminating and thought provoking talk by describing "The Present and Future of Statistics: Challenges and Opportunities." Both plenary talks will be broadly accessible to anyone interested in knowing the past, present and future of statistics.

The symposium will also include technical talks given by graduate students and new researchers. Interested students and new researchers are highly encouraged to submit the title and abstract of their talks using the conference website by the deadline of September 22nd, 2013. Accepted abstracts will be posted on the website after September 30th, 2013. In addition to technical talks, the symposium invites high school and undergraduate students to submit the title and abstracts for poster presentation. Cash awards and certificates for winning posters will be presented separately to the winning undergraduate student poster and high school students at an award ceremony to be held at
the conclusion of the symposium.

We welcome submission of titles and abstracts from all students and researchers irrespective of their geographical location but registration is required to present a paper or poster.

**Positions Open**

**Tenure-Track Faculty Position**

University of Pittsburgh

*Graduate School of Public Health*

Department of Biostatistics

(see also attached PDF file)

The Department of Biostatistics in the Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh seeks applicants for one tenure-track position at the assistant, associate, or professor level, to begin in fall 2014 or earlier. We seek outstanding individuals with a commitment to methodological and collaborative research, and teaching. We have particular interest in candidates with research expertise in several areas including, but not limited to, clinical trials, comparative effectiveness, high-dimensional data analysis, longitudinal data analysis, and observational studies. For further information, please go to www.biostat.pitt.edu.

Review of applications will be ongoing and continue until the positions are filled. Rank and salary will be determined by the candidate's credentials. New PhDs and postdoctoral fellows are encouraged to apply. Candidates should submit a letter of application, a statement of research and teaching interests, and a curriculum vitae. Candidates should also arrange for three reference letters to be submitted. Electronic applications are preferred and should be sent to biost@pitt.edu. Applications may also be submitted via mail to: University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health Department of Biostatistics; Biostatistics Faculty Search Committee; Jong-Hyeon Jeong, PhD; 130 DeSoto Street; Pittsburgh, PA 15261. The University of Pittsburgh is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. Women and minority candidates are especially encouraged to apply.

**Assistant Professor of Statistics**

Hampshire College, an independent, innovative liberal arts institution in Massachusetts, is accepting applications for an Assistant Professor of Statistics in the School of
Cognitive Science. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in statistics or a closely related field and be oriented toward applied statistics and data analysis.

The successful candidate will have a demonstrated ability to engage undergraduates with statistics through innovative teaching and collaborative research, and an interest in furthering statistics education and scholarship across the college. Responsibilities include designing and teaching two courses per semester, pursuing an active research program, student advising, and mentoring students engaged in advanced independent research projects. We are particularly interested in candidates who will add to the strengths of the School of Cognitive Science and collaborate with colleagues in fields such as psychology, biology, computer science, linguistics, neuroscience, animal behavior, and education.

Hampshire College is a member of the Five College Consortium (Amherst College, Smith College, Mount Holyoke College, and the University of Massachusetts) and a member of the Five College Statistics Program, an active group of statisticians who are creating a collaborative statistics community in the area.

The review of applications will begin October 15, 2013 and will continue until the position is filled. A Ph.D. is required by time of appointment, July 1, 2014. Applicants should submit the following to our website at http://jobs.hampshire.edu/: 1) letter of application; 2) curriculum vita; 3) teaching statement with descriptions of potential courses; 4) research statement with your own research plans and ideas for interdisciplinary collaboration with other faculty or students; and 5) three letters from professional referees.

Hampshire College is an equal opportunity institution, committed to building a culturally diverse intellectual community and strongly encourages applications from women and minority candidates.

Other News of Interest

INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE & ENGINEERING VISUALIZATION CHALLENGE
(see attached PDF file for more information)

Deadline Approaching  ENTRY DEADLINE: Sept. 30, 2013
Science & Engineering's Most Powerful Statements Are Not Made From Words Alone
You are invited to submit an entry to this year’s International Science & Engineering Visualization Challenge, cosponsored by the National Science Foundation and AAAS journal *Science*.

Entry categories include: Photography, Illustration, Posters and Graphics, Games & Apps, and Videos. Winning entries will be published in a special section of a February 2014 print issues of *Science* and ScienceMag.org, and NSF’s website.
For entry forms, rules and more information go to: [www.nsf.gov/news/scivis](http://www.nsf.gov/news/scivis)

**Nominations for the 2014 Alan T. Waterman Award**

Dear Colleague:

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is pleased to accept nominations for the 2014 Alan T. Waterman Award. Each year, the Foundation bestows the Waterman Award in recognition of the talent, creativity, and influence of a singular young researcher. Established in 1975 to commemorate the Foundation’s first Director, the Waterman Award is NSF’s highest honor for promising, early-career, researchers. Nominees are accepted from all sources, from any field of science and engineering that NSF supports. The award recipient will receive a medal and an invitation to the formal awards ceremony in Washington, DC. In addition, the recipient will receive a grant of $1,000,000 over a five-year period for scientific research or advanced study in any field of science or engineering supported by the National Science Foundation, at any institution of the recipient's choice. We are especially interested in nominations for women, members of underrepresented minority groups, and persons with disabilities.

**Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

1. Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. They must be 35 years of age or younger, or not more than 7 years beyond receipt of their Ph.D. degree, by December 31 of the year in which they are nominated.
2. Candidates should have demonstrated exceptional individual achievements in scientific or engineering research of sufficient quality, originality, innovation, and significant impact on the field to place them at the forefront of their peers.

Complete nomination packages, consisting of nominations and four letters of reference, are due by October 25, 2013. The nominations and letters must be received through the FastLane system. To submit a nomination, please visit [https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/honawards/](https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/honawards/).
Please contact the Program Manager for the Alan T. Waterman Award at waterman@nsf.gov or 703-292-8040 if you have any questions. You may also visit http://www.nsf.gov/od/waterman/waterman.jsp for more information. A PDF version of the call for nominations is available at http://www.nsf.gov/od/waterman/nsf_watermanaward_2014callfornominations_130730.pdf.

The nomination of deserving colleagues is one of the most important and gratifying aspects of service in the scientific community. Please help celebrate the contributions of a promising young researcher by submitting a nomination for the Alan T. Waterman award.