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The Petrie-Flom Center is Hiring!

The Petrie-Flom Center will hire a new Project Coordinator in connection with our work on the Regulatory Foundations, Ethics, and Law Program of Harvard Catalyst | The Harvard Clinical and Translational Center. Reporting to the Petrie-Flom Center's Executive Director and working closely with the Center's Administrative Director, Faculty Co-Directors, and other staff, the Project Coordinator will support the Center's work on the Harvard Catalyst Regulatory Foundations, Ethics, and Law Program (40% effort), as well as the Center's core administrative needs (20% effort). The position has four major areas of responsibility: (1) meeting and event support; (2) financial and compliance support; (3) other administrative support, including communications; and (4) special projects. For a full description and to apply click here. For questions, please contact petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu.

We are also hiring a Senior Law and Ethics Associate to work on the Regulatory Foundations, Ethics, and Law Program. View the full job description and apply here.

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New Directions for Food Safety: The Food Safety Modernization Act and Beyond
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Scholarship & Commentary from Petrie-Flom Affiliates

Ethics and Ontology in Deep Brain Stimulation
by Michael J. Young (Petrie-Flom student fellow)
AJOB Neuroscience. Vol. 5, Issue 1, 2014

"Rapid advancements in the fields of neurology and neuroscience over the past decade have enabled unprecedented progress toward the development of brain-modulating technologies and therapeutics. Central to these advancements are cross-disciplinary translational research efforts to engineer systems that can reliably deliver electrical, ultrasound, or magnetic impulses to specific deep cortical areas and neural circuits, with the ultimate goal of influencing abnormal patterns of neural activity implicated in disorders of the brain and nervous system (Famm et al. 2013). As knowledge of the brain's dynamic synaptic networks and microcircuitry expands, it is anticipated that deep brain stimulation (DBS) technologies will begin to target neural activity with increasingly greater precision and functional efficiency (Warner-Schmidt 2013). While research in these domains carries tremendous promise for treating many neurologic and psychiatric conditions that have long been considered refractory to traditional treatments (Lozano and Lipsman 2013; Nestler 2013; Warner-Schmidt 2013), they introduce a complex array of ethical, social, and legal questions."

Read the full article.

Think Again: Prostitution:
Why zero tolerance makes for bad policy on world’s oldest profession
by Aziza Ahmed (Petrie-Flom visiting scholar)
Foreign Policy, January 19, 2014

"Prostitution may be the world's oldest profession, but there is still little agreement on the social and moral legitimacy of commercial sex. There are, of course, those who consider sex sacred and its sale a sin, and there are libertarians who are willing to accept nearly any degree of sexual freedom. But plenty of people have views that lie somewhere in between, and they are fighting over the fairness, regulation, and even the precise definition
of what advocates and practitioners increasingly refer to as 'sex work.'"

Read the full article.

**A green light for prostitution?**
**Exploring the debate around the decriminalisation of sex work.**
*A discussion with Darby Hickey, Aziza Ahmed, Taina Bien-Aimé and Trisha Baptie*
*The Stream, Al Jazeera America, January 27, 2014*

"Would decriminalising prostitution give sex workers added protection? UN reports have recommended the decriminalisation of brothel-keeping, pimping and the purchase of sex to promote safer working environments. However, some groups say these recommendations ignore the experiences of survivors of prostitution and sex trafficking while making attractive environments for traffickers, pimps and organised crime. [The Stream explored] this debate…"

Listen to the full story.

**Religious groups to back Obamacare contraceptive mandate**
*Quoting Holly Fernandez Lynch, Petrie-Flom Executive Director*
*Tom Howell, Jr., Washington Times, February 4, 2014*

"I do think it is interesting in the sense that it focuses on inclusiveness," said Holly Lynch, a health care law and bioethics researcher at Harvard Law School. "Whereas some of the religious groups have focused so intently on what they are being 'forced' to do and what the impact is on them, this perspective highlights the fact that in a pluralistic society, everyone has to give up something."

Read the full article.

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**From the Blog**

**Bill of Health**
*Examining the intersection of law and health care, biotech & bioethics*
*A blog by the Petrie-Flom Center and friends*


Come join the conversation at the Bill of Health! During the last two weeks, our bloggers have been discussing:

**Health insurance, health care reform/finance:**

- The role of health IT in addressing fragmentation and coordination of care ([here](http://blogs.law.harvard.edu/billofhealth/))
- Encouraging innovation in chronic care management ([here](http://blogs.law.harvard.edu/billofhealth/))

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• Treating addiction in pregnant women and new mothers: A promising application for social impact financing? (here)
• Prioritizing parks and patients (here)

Genetics:
• Patient empowerment and 23andMe (here)

Pharmaceuticals:
• Capitalizing on fecal transplants (here)

Human subjects research:
• Update on litigation in Looney v. Moore (SUPPORT trial class action) (here)

Personhood (including discussion of the Munoz and McMath cases):
• Is Fetus a patient? More on bypassing damage caps (here)
• Online symposium announcement on Munoz and McMath cases (here) and associated discussion (here, here, and here)
• Media matters: Fetal abnormalities in the Munoz case (here)

General health law/policy:
• "DC Circuit Upholds FDA Authority over Stem Cells" (here)
• Unconstitutional time bars in Washington (here)
• "The battle of privileges" in medical malpractice suits (here)
• "Encouraging Innovation in Chronic Care Management" (here)
• Health law news on uses of big data (here)

If you'd like to join us as a guest blogger or if you have something you'd like us to post, please contact Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Petrie-Flom Center Administrative Director, at chutchisonjones@law.harvard.edu.

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Health Law Policy and Bioethics Workshops

Upcoming presenters for the Health Law Policy and Bioethics Workshop, this year run by Professors Cohen and Robertson, include:

February 17: I. Glenn Cohen, Harvard Law School, Petrie-Flom Center Faculty Co-Director

PAPER NOW AVAILABLE:
"What (if anything) is Wrong with Human Enhancement? What (if anything) is Right with It?"
Contact kburroughs@law.harvard.edu to request a copy.

March 24: Hank Greely, Center for Law and the Biosciences, Stanford Law School

April 7: David Gamage, UC Berkeley School of Law

April 21: Matthew J. B. Lawrence, Petrie-Flom Center Academic Fellow

All meetings will run from 5:00 to 7:00pm in Hauser 105 at the Law School. For questions and drafts of the papers
being presented, contact Kaitlin Burroughs at kburroughs@law.harvard.edu.

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Petrie-Flom Center Events

CANCELLED:
February Bioethics and Law Research Sessions
New online resources in development.
Based on ongoing discussions with the Harvard Law School and Medical School libraries, the Petrie-Flom Center has postponed the bioethics and law research sessions that were advertised for February. Instead, we will be working with the libraries to develop new online resources, including a video training, to guide both legal and non-legal scholars in bioethics and law research.

To help us design these resources, we would appreciate it if you would answer a few questions to give us a better sense of what would be helpful to you as you learn to navigate bioethics research resources:

1. What sort of help do you need conducting bioethics, biotechnology, and health law policy research in non-legal sources? For example, do you need assistance identifying relevant journals and navigating relevant databases?
2. What sort of help do you need understanding various sources of law as they relate to bioethics, biotechnology, and health law policy issues? For example, would it be helpful to have an overview of case law, statutes, regulation, and guidance documents, and how these sources fit together?
3. What sort of help do you need conducting bioethics, biotechnology, and health law policy research within legal sources? For example, do you need assistance identifying relevant sources, crafting productive searches, etc.?
4. Do you have examples of research questions we can use as case studies?
5. What else can we do to make these resources as useful as possible?

Please send your answers to petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu.

Continue to check our web site in the coming months for more information as these resources become available!

Patents Without Patents: Regulatory Incentives for Innovation in the Drug Industry
February 19, 2014, 12:00pm
Wasserstein Hall 1015, Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave.

In the pharmaceutical industry, patents are the preeminent incentive for innovation in developing new drugs. But patents aren’t the whole story; regulatory agencies also offer different forms of exclusivity-enforced by the agencies themselves-to encourage different forms of innovation in the industry. This panel will discuss actual and potential roles for those rewards in the context of developing new drugs, new uses for old drugs, and new ways to make drugs, in both the United States and the European Union. Panelists include:

- Benjamin N. Roin, Hieken Assistant Professor in Patent Law, Harvard Law School; Faculty Co-Director, the Petrie-Flom Center
- W. Nicholson Price II, Academic Fellow, the Petrie-Flom Center
- Timo Minssen, Associate Professor, University of Copenhagen Faculty of Law; Visiting Scholar, the Petrie-Flom Center
• Moderator, Aaron Kesselheim, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Director of the Program On Regulation, Therapeutics, And Law (PORTAL), Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics, Department of Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital.

This event is free and open to the public. Lunch will be served.

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**Frances Kamm's Bioethical Prescriptions: Book Talk and Panel Discussion**

**February 27, 2014, 2:00 to 3:30pm**

Wasserstein Hall 1019, Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave.

Please join us as we launch Professor Frances Kamm's latest book, *Bioethical Prescriptions: To Create, End, Choose, and Improve Lives* (Oxford University Press, January 2014). The book showcases Professor Kamm's articles on bioethics as parts of a coherent whole, with sections devoted to death and dying; early life (on conception and use of embryos, abortion, and childhood); genetics and other enhancements (on cloning and other genetic technologies); allocating scarce resources; and methodology (on the relation of moral theory and practical ethics).

Panelists include:

- **Frances Kamm**, Littauer Professor of Philosophy & Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Professor of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, Harvard University; Former Senior Fellow, Petrie-Flom Center
- **Norman Daniels**, Mary B. Saltonstall Professor of Population Ethics and Professor of Ethics and Population Health, Harvard School of Public Health
- **Thomas (Tim) Scanlon, Jr.**, Alford Professor of Natural Religion, Moral Philosophy, and Civil Polity, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, Harvard University
- Moderator: **Christopher T. Robertson**, Visiting Professor of Law, Harvard Law School; Associate Professor, James E. Rogers College of Law, University of Arizona

This event is free and open to the public.

Cosponsored by the Petrie-Flom Center, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Harvard University, and the Countway Library of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. This event is supported by the Oswald DeN. Cammann Fund.

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**Hot Topics at the President's Commission on Bioethical Issues: Plus Q&A on Careers**
in Law and Bioethics
Michelle Groman, Associate Director, President's Commission on Bioethical Issues
Monday, March 3, 12:00pm
Austin Hall West (111), Harvard Law School, 1515 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

Please join us for an update from the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues, delivered by Michelle Groman (HLS '05), Associate Director at the Bioethics Commission. Since its inception in 2009, President Obama's Commission has issued reports on synthetic biology, human subjects research, whole genome sequencing, pediatric medical countermeasure research, and incidental findings. Currently, the Commission is examining the ethical implications of neuroscience research and the application of neuroscience research findings as part of the federal government's BRAIN Initiative. The Commission also has developed educational materials to support teaching of bioethics ideas, principles, and theories in traditional and non-traditional settings.

This final half-hour of this event will feature a discussion of career opportunities in law and bioethics, led by Ms. Groman and Holly Fernandez Lynch, Petrie-Flom Center Executive Director. Bring your questions!

This event is free and open to the public. Lunch will be served.

Cosponsored by the Office of Career Services at Harvard Law School. This event is supported by the Oswald DeN. Cammann Fund.

Mark your calendars for these additional spring events:

- **Tuesday, March 11, 12:00pm:** "Evaluating the Revised Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5)," a panel discussion featuring Steven Hyman (Broad Institute), Anne Becker (HMS), and Nita Farahany (Duke Law)
- **Thursday, March 27, 12:00pm:** a panel discussion on current legal issues in HIV/AIDS work, cosponsored with Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC)
- **Wednesday, April 2, 12:00pm:** "Hot Topics in European Biopatent Law," cosponsored with the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard
- **Friday, May 2, and Saturday, May 3:** 2014 Petrie-Flom Center Annual Conference, "Behavioral Economics, Law, and Health Policy."
- **Friday, May 20:** Conference on regulatory biostatistics, cosponsored with the Food and Drug Law Institute (FDLI).

Look for more details on these events in future editions of this newsletter, or follow us on Facebook and Twitter to receive updates as soon as they're available!

Questions? Contact petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu or 617-496-4662.

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**NEXT WEEK:**
Science Lecture Series
**The Ethicist’s and the Lawyer's New Clothes:**
**The Law and Ethics of Smart Clothes**
*Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 5:00pm*
Sheerr Room, Fay House, 10 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA

**I. Glenn Cohen**  Ri ’13
Professor of Law
Faculty Co-director of the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy,
Biotechnology, and Bioethics, Harvard Law School

From enhanced exosuits for members of the armed services to clothing that spies on you, this lecture will focus on legal and ethical issues pertaining to the future of smart clothes.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please visit [http://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu/event/2014-i-glenn-cohen-lecture](http://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu/event/2014-i-glenn-cohen-lecture).

The smart clothes science lecture series is part of the Academic Ventures program at the Radcliffe Institute and examines the science and ethics of designing materials that improve and protect lives. A larger, one-day public symposium on the topic took place on Friday, November 15, 2013.

Illustration by Carl Wiens

The [Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study](http://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu) at Harvard University is dedicated to creating and sharing transformative ideas across the arts, humanities, sciences, and social sciences. The Fellowship Program annually supports the work of 50 leading artists and scholars. Academic Ventures fosters collaborative research projects and sponsors lectures and conferences that engage scholars with the public. The Schlesinger Library documents the lives of American women of the past and present for the future, furthering the Institute’s commitment to women, gender, and society. Learn more about the people and programs of the Radcliffe Institute at [www.radcliffe.harvard.edu](http://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu).

**Healthcare Virtual Roundtable**
*"When Incentives Meet Information" with Bryan Roberts*

*February 11, 2014 (Virtual), 12:00 - 1:00pm EST*
Dial-in information will be sent evening prior to call.
Members FREE, $25 non-members

Capitalism and free market forces, the bedrocks of US economic success, have rarely been seen in our country’s largest industry - Healthcare. We are all familiar with the failings in cost and outcomes that is the multi-headed hydra that is the patient - payer - provider ecosystem. Costs increase faster than GDP, while wages for physicians fall. Administrative personnel now number an amazing 16 per MD. The examples go on and on. However, the last five years have witnessed the beginnings of change as the twin forces of incentives and information combine to dramatically reshape the workings of our healthcare system. Entrepreneurs have realized this opportunity and are seizing it across many dimensions in HC - it is fascinating, exciting and still in its infancy.

Hosted by the [Harvard Business School Healthcare Alumni Association](http://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu).

For more information and to register, please click here.
A Conversation with Paul Farmer: Insights from Liberation Theology
Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 7:00 - 8:30pm
First Church in Cambridge, 11 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA

Paul Farmer comes to HDS to discuss his new book, In the Company of the Poor, written with Gustavo Gutierrez and published in November 2013. Representing several decades of friendship and collaboration between Dr. Farmer and Father Gutierrez, the book locates considerable common ground between the two thinker’s respective careers in global health and liberation theology. This event will explore the theological roots of Christianity’s preferential option for the poor and the practical challenges of implementing such a worldview.

HDS professor David Carrasco will join Dr. Farmer as a lecture discussant. MDiv candidate Lauren Taylor will moderate.

This event is co-sponsored by Partners in Health at Harvard Medical School and the Science Religion and Culture Program at Harvard Divinity School.

Registration will be until February 10th at midnight. A link for printable tickets will be sent after registration closes.

Register for the event here.

The Medical Ethics Faculty Seminar, 2013-2014
Implementation of the Affordable Care Act: Ethics and Policy

Please join the HMS Division of Medical Ethics at the Faculty Seminars led by Marcia Angell, MD:

February 21, 2014
"Consequences of the Supreme Court Decisions on the ACA"
Michelle M. Mello, JD, PhD, Professor of Law and Public Health, and Director, Program in Law and Public Health, Department of Health Policy and Management, Harvard School of Public Health

For the full 2013-2014 Medical Ethics Faculty Seminar schedule, click here.

New Info-course at HMS Division of Medical Sciences: Patent Law in Academia
First meeting: Tuesday, March 11, 9:30am - 1:00pm
Location: TBD

While most scientists receive excellent training on how to conduct basic research, the job of a scientist, particularly at the level of university faculty, often requires many skills beyond the bench. One task a scientist may face during their career is how to manage a potentially patentable idea or discovery. This Info Course will provide a look into the process of obtaining a patent from the perspective of a principal investigator at a university. We will address many questions including what is a patent? and what ideas are worth patenting? We will also describe the patent process from the perspective of both the faculty member and the university.

Nanocourse Director: Dr. Fred Winston
Curriculum Fellow: Emily Gleason

Lecturers

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Clinical Ethics Continuing Education Day
March 19, 2014, 8:30am - 4:30pm
Harvard Medical School, Medical Education Center (MEC) Amphitheater, 2nd Floor
260 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA

This one day program provides up-to-date information on ethical issues in health care and discussion with colleagues serving on ethics committees and doing clinical ethics consults. Attendees are drawn from the disciplines of medicine, nursing, chaplaincy, law, psychology, philosophy, and allied health professions. Activities and time are structured to meet colleagues doing similar work in clinical ethics, including a working lunch devoted to discussing ways to improve the effectiveness of clinical ethics committees. Small group sessions will address topics in ethics consultation and work with patients and families. While "everything you need to know" about clinical ethics cannot be contained in a single day, annual attendance at this program is intended to enable those serving on clinical ethics committees to keep their knowledge and skills current.

Tuition:

- $75 (USD) - reduced fee for staff and faculty of Harvard Medical School and its affiliated teaching hospitals and institutions
- $150 (USD) - all others

For more information and to register, click here.

NOTE: The Division of Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School often has public programs likely to be of interest. More information is available here. The Healthcare Initiative at Harvard Business School also hosts a number of relevant events. For details, see here.

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Outside Events

2014 Yale Health Law & Policy Society Conference
Health Insurance Exchange Implementation: Early Challenges and Opportunities
Saturday, February 8, 2014, 8:30am to 5:15pm
Sterling Law Building, Yale Law School, 127 Wall Street, New Haven, CT

Yale Law School is proud to host the first Yale Health Law and Policy Society Conference. The theme of the conference is "Health Insurance Exchange Implementation: Early Challenges and Opportunities." The conference will feature keynote speaker Henry J. Aaron, Ph.D, the Bruce and Virginia MacLaury Senior Fellow in the Economic Studies program at the Brookings Institution. Additionally, other health policy and law experts from across the country will present on topics such as the history of health insurance exchanges, early successes and
challenges, and how to optimally balance state and federal roles in exchange implementation and operation.

A schedule and full list of speakers is available online.

Registration: The conference is open to the Yale University community, the greater New Haven community, and all others interested in health insurance exchange implementation.

To register, please email YaleHIXConference@gmail.com with your name and affiliation.

Registration is free for Yale University and New Haven community members. For all others, the registration fee is $30, payable by check. Checks should be addressed to Yale Law School and include "YHeLPS Conference" in the memo section. Registration fees paid in advance should be mailed to Yale Law School, P.O. Box 208215, New Haven, CT 06511.

Questions? Contact YaleHIXConference@gmail.com.

For directions to Yale Law School, please see: http://www.law.yale.edu/admissions/gettinghere.htm.

For lodging options, please see: http://www.law.yale.edu/about/lodging.htm.

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Opportunities at Harvard

Call for Postdoctoral Fellowship Applications: The Harvard Medical School/Brigham and Women's Hospital Program On Regulation, Therapeutics, And Law (PORTAL)

Deadline: February 14, 2014

The Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics at Brigham and Women's Hospital Department of Medicine and Harvard Medical School invites its 2014 round of applications for postdoctoral fellows in pharmaceutical law and health services research. Current fellows have studied FDA regulation, patents and drug access and costs, and competition in the therapeutic marketplace. Other areas of focus include intellectual property, ethics, and comparative effectiveness, as well as the development, approval, and evidence-based use of drugs, devices, vaccines, procedures, and diagnostics.

Applications are invited from researchers with doctoral degrees (J.D., M.D., Ph.D., Pharm.D., or equivalent) or who will complete such training by July 2014. Fellows will have an appointment at Harvard Medical School, receive close mentorship from faculty members in the Division, and engage in one or more projects intended to start their careers in law and public health research. Fellowship length will vary depending on the candidate (min: 1 year).

To apply, please send to akesselheim@partners.org: (1) a CV, (2) a writing sample, and (3) a cover letter describing your past work, ideas for the kind of research you'd like to do in the fellowship, and career goals.

The Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics is a 50-member interdisciplinary research program. Our work focuses on the evaluation, regulation, outcomes, and cost-effectiveness of prescription drugs and medical devices, as well as in the development and evaluation of policies to improve use of therapeutics. Further information is at www.DrugEpi.org.

E-mail Aaron Kesselheim, M.D., J.D., M.P.H. at akesselheim@partners.org with any questions.

Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School are Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employers;
women and members of underrepresented minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

**Call for Applications: Fellowship in Medical Ethics, Harvard Medical School Division of Medical Ethics, 2014-2015**  
**Deadline: April 14, 2014**

The Division of Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School supports research and teaching on ethical issues in medicine, health, and healthcare policy and practice. The Fellowship in Medical Ethics is open to physicians, nurses, lawyers, social workers, and others in academic fields related to medicine or health with a serious interest in medical ethics and a wish to further their knowledge of the history, philosophical underpinnings and contemporary practice of bioethics. Fellows attend a weekly three hour seminar designed to explore a wide range of issues, including ethical theory, clinical ethics, research ethics, and selected topics in public health ethics. Most weeks there is extensive reading and a brief paper. During the year, fellows participate in the intellectual life of the Division of Medical Ethics and are eligible to participate in Harvard University courses with permission of the course instructor as well as monthly division Faculty Seminars and various public programs in medical ethics sponsored by the Division.

Fellows must have external salary support. The fellowship fee is $7,000. Most Fellows receive this support from their sponsoring institutions, and The Division of Medical Ethics will assist applicants who would like help approaching their sponsoring institutions with such a request.

Fellows are selected on the basis of their previous academic achievement and the contribution they are likely to make as researchers, clinicians, and teachers in medical ethics. Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae and a letter of not more than 750 words, describing the reasons for their interest in the Fellowship, including any particular topics or questions they are most interested in exploring. This letter is an important opportunity for applicants to tell us about themselves, their interests, and their motivations in pursuing training in medical ethics. Applicants should also provide two letters of reference and a third letter from their supervisor or key senior staff person, demonstrating institutional support for the candidate's involvement in the HMS Fellowship and likely opportunities the candidate will have to contribute to bioethics at their home institution, upon completion of the Fellowship.

Deadline for submission of application materials is April 14, 2014. Three copies of all application materials should be sent to: Dr. Mildred Solomon, Fellowship Director, c/o Helena Martins, Harvard Medical School, Division of Medical Ethics, 641 Huntington Ave, 2nd Flr, Boston, MA 02115. If you have any questions please contact Helena at helena_martins@hms.harvard.edu or 617-432-3041.

For full description and to apply click [here](#).

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**Jobs, Fellowships, and Other Opportunities**

**Post-Doctorate Fellowships in Science, Ethics, and Democracy**  
**Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Tel Aviv University**  
**Deadline: February 15, 2014**

The Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Tel Aviv University is accepting applications for its 2014-15 post-doctorate fellowship program. The Center offers grants to outstanding researchers who study the interplay between scientific and technological developments, politics, and ethics. The fellowship is open to researchers from all disciplines and fields, including humanities, social sciences, law, medicine, and bioethics.
Grant Amount: $28,000

Candidates must have a PhD from a recognized institution in Israel or abroad, and must have received their degree after February 1, 2011. Candidates with permanent positions at universities or colleges are not eligible.

Additional funding for travel for non-Israeli fellows is available.

The Research Fellows will be part of the Center's research group and will take part in the Center's activities. While in residence, the fellows are expected to dedicate their full time to research.

Applicants must submit:

- Approval indicating eligibility for a doctorate degree, or certification of the submission date of their dissertation.
- Three letters of recommendation. Preferably, at least one recommender should not belong to the academic institution where the applicant was a doctoral student.
- Summary of the dissertation and brief description of the research plan (both up to two pages).
- CV, including a list of publications (if applicable).

**Deadline for submission of all application materials: February 15, 2014.** Application materials should be sent by email to safracen@post.tau.ac.il.

Additional information about the Center, research fellows and activities can be found at [http://ethics.tau.ac.il/en/](http://ethics.tau.ac.il/en/).

**Call for Applications: Duke University Science & Society**

**Deadline for application to all programs: March 3, 2014, 5:00pm**

- Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program
- Associate in Research Program
- Residential Internship in Science and Society (RISS)

**Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program**

Duke University Science & Society invites applications for the 2014-2015 Post-doctoral Fellowship Program. This paid fellowship is intended for individuals with a doctoral degree (JD, PhD, MD, DPhil) who are interested in an academic or policy career working on issues in science and society, with a particular interest in the legal, ethical, and social implications of the biosciences.

**Science & Society:**

Duke Science & Society is an interdisciplinary initiative that examines the wide-ranging 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 a pluralistic approach to understanding how science and human endeavors intersect with a specific focus on ethical, legal, and social implications for science. For more information, visit our website at [http://www.scienceandsociety.duke.edu](http://www.scienceandsociety.duke.edu).

**The Fellowship:**

The Science & Society Fellowship is a residential fellowship that provides an opportunity to become involved in the activities of Science & Society and Duke University, while pursuing independent scholarship at the intersection of science and society. Candidates are offered a one-year position, with a possibility of renewal for a second one-year position. Fellows dedicate approximately one third of their time to supporting the activities of Science & Society, one third of their time supporting the research of the Director of Science & Society, and one third of their time on independent research. Fellows are provided with office space, a competitive stipend, and benefits. Applicants should have a JD or other doctoral level degree (MD, PhD) in a relevant area. A law degree is a significant advantage but is not a requirement.
Fellowship Responsibilities:
Independent scholarship at the intersection of biosciences and law:

- Complete at least one mentored research project which culminates in a manuscript of publishable quality
- Participate in bioethics conferences, workshops, and seminars as appropriate

Support Research of Director of Science & Society:

- Provide research support on research projects, presentations, and grant proposals under the supervision of the Director of Science & Society
- Draft manuscripts, engage in empirical and qualitative research activities in support of the research projects of the Director of Science & Society

Support Science & Society activities:

- Organize and implement for the master's program the colloquium series "Contemporary Issues in Bioethics & Science Policy," which involves coordinating a series of speakers for the course.
- Serve on the Science & Society Workshop Committee, and help plan and implement Science & Society workshops
- Implement a training program for young researchers interested in learning more about Science & Society topics
- Support the work of Science & Society, including research, education, and engagement
- Complete other tasks as requested.

The Application Process:
Applicants should submit a CV, contact information for three references, a writing sample, and a research proposal (in 2000 words or less) to Julia Walker (julia.s.walker@duke.edu). Subject line of email application should read "Application 2014 Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program" and must be received no later than 5 p.m. on March 3, 2014. Fellows will be chosen based on demonstrated academic merit, likelihood of future success in academia or science policy, and on strength of their research proposals. Decisions will be made by March 24, 2013. Duke University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Please contact Julia Walker at julia.s.walker@duke.edu or by phone at (919) 684-8839 if you have questions.

Associate in Research Program
Duke University Science & Society invites applications for the 2014-2015 Associate in Research Fellowship Program. This paid post-baccalaureate program aims to prepare motivated applicants for interdisciplinary scholarship in emerging ethical, social, policy and/or legal issues raised by research in the biosciences. This position is intended for post-baccalaureate students without a doctorate who are not current degree candidates.

Science & Society:
Duke Science & Society is an interdisciplinary initiative that examines the wide-ranging 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 a pluralistic approach to understanding how science and human endeavors intersect with a specific focus on ethical, legal, and social implications for science. For more information, visit our website at http://www.scienceandsociety.duke.edu.

Job Description:

- Support the work and activities of Science & Society, including research, education, and engagement
- Conduct research, assist with presentations, and assist with courses and the development of related materials under the supervision of the Director of Science & Society
- Support the research activities of supervising mentors
- Conduct independent ELSI research in issues around biosciences

Other Opportunities:
- Participate in Science & Society intellectual life
- Be involved in research ethics
- Help plan and participate in Science & Society symposia, policy workshops, and other events and programs aimed at forging interdisciplinary dialogue in science and society

Required Qualifications:

- Completion of an undergraduate degree
- High academic achievement
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Strong interest in Science and Society
- Demonstration of good judgment, flexibility, and integrity
- Fluent English speaker

The Application Process:
Applicants should submit a CV, contact information for three references, a writing sample, and a statement of purpose (in 1000 words or less) to Julia Walker (julia.s.walker@duke.edu). Subject line of email applications must read "Application for 2014 Associate in Research," and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 3, 2014. Decisions will be made by March 24, 2013.

Residential Internship in Science and Society (RISS)
Duke University Science & Society invites applications for the 2014-2015 Residence Internship in Science & Society (RISS). This unpaid in-residence internship in Science & Society (RISS) is designed for post-baccalaureate or post-doctoral students seriously contemplating or furthering a career at the intersection of science and society. The internship provides a supportive environment to pursue scholarly interests related to the ethics of science, with a preference for those focused on neuroscience & society and genomics and society. The RISS works closely with mentors from Science & Society, who will help guide, train, and advise. The internship is located at Science & Society, Duke University, in Durham, NC.

Description
The RISS is focused on experiential learning in an academic research setting; the RISS will integrate previously learned knowledge and theory with practical research application and skills development. The RISS will have no prescribed duties related to the daily work of the initiative. The nature and extent of the RISS involvement with Science & Society are to be determined more by the RISS's own interests than by any demand on his or her time. The RISS will be invited to weekly bioethics seminars, journal clubs, conferences, and other educational opportunities related to the intersection of science and society.

To maximize the benefit of the internship, during the pendency of the term, the RISS shall not have any other full-time job, nor be a degree candidate in any college or graduate school. The specific term of the internship, which can range from 4 months up to 1 year, will be determined before the start of the program. Science & Society will provide facilities and work space during the internship.

Goals & Learning Objectives

- Understand the basic and contemporary issues in bioethics and science policy, as well as familiarity with the literature on these issues
- Gain valuable applied experience in a research and educational setting
- Make connections with mentors in fields related to science and society
- Build research skills
- Complete a mentored research project with the goal of publishing one or multiple first-authored articles for placement in premier academic journals
- Gain competency in oral and written presentation of the project/research results
- Participate in journal clubs and works-in-progress seminars

Required Qualifications

- Completion of an undergraduate or graduate degree
High academic achievement
Excellent oral and written communication skills
Strong interest in Science and Society
Demonstration of good judgment, flexibility, and integrity
Fluent English speaker
Committed to the unpaid fellowship

The Application Process
Applicants should submit a CV, contact information for three references, a writing sample, and a statement of purpose (in 2000 words or less) to Julia Walker (julia.s.walker@duke.edu).

The subject line for all applications should read "RISS 2014 Application" and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 3, 2014. Decisions will be made by March 24, 2013.

Please do not hesitate to contact Julia Walker at julia.s.walker@duke.edu or by phone at (919) 684-8839 if you have questions.

Call for Papers: McGill Journal of Law and Health
Special Issue on Health Law, Biotechnology, and Intellectual Property
Deadline: March 24, 2014

The McGill Journal of Law and Health is an academic, peer-reviewed journal that publishes multidisciplinary articles on the intersection of health and law, both within Canada and at the international level. Now in our eighth year, we have a history of publishing research by major Canadian scholars working in this field. Our journal is entirely run by students from the undergraduate and graduate programs of the Faculty of Law at McGill University (Montreal, Canada). All of our archives are publicly available at http://mjlh.mcgill.ca, as well as by subscription in the Hein Online Law Journal Library.

The MJLH is currently targeting scholarship focused on the intersection of health law, biotechnology, and intellectual property. We are seeking submissions of papers addressing the complex legal issues raised by biotechnological innovation as well as the impact of intellectual property law on health policy and research. Scholars with interest and expertise in any areas related to these topics are specifically invited to contribute to the journal.

Submissions are welcome at any time. Of particular note: Submissions received by 24 March 2014 will be considered for inclusion in a proposed Special Issue on health law, biotechnology, and intellectual property.

Complete submission guidelines are available on our website at http://mjlh.mcgill.ca (choose "Submissions" from the menu).

View the full call here.

Copenhagen Summer University Course Offering:
Pharmaceutical Law and Policy - Hot Topics Shaping the Future of the European Pharmaceutical Industry
Registration deadline: May 28, 2014

What are the most significant current issues shaking and shaping the pharmaceutical industry today? The business environment and legal framework relevant to the pharmaceutical industry continues to change rapidly in the face of constant challenges posed by competition, politics and technological innovation. Considering the highly lucrative and competitive nature of the industry, it is more important than ever for professionals working with legal and regulatory aspects of drug development to stay abreast of the most recent developments.

This course provides a broad and practical understanding of the 'hot topics' and will present and analyse these
topics from scientific, legal and policy perspectives.

The course will run August 12-16, 2014.

This course meets the Danish requirements for compulsory supplementary training for lawyers and trainee solicitors. Read more here.

Directed by Petrie-Flom Visiting Scholar Timo Minssen. For further information and to register please click here.

Additional opportunities:

- Postdoctoral Fellow to provide quantitative analytical support for Public Health Law research, Temple University Beasley School of Law, open until filled
- Engagement Manager, Axiom Law, New York, open until filled
- Summer Internships, Axiom Law, contact recruitment manager Sutton Kraus at Sutton.Kauss@axiomiaw.com, open until filled
- Healthcare Compliance Certification Program 2014 Health Law Student Scholarships, Seton Hall University School of Law Center for Health & Pharmaceutical Law & Policy, Deadline: February 7, 2014
- Duke Master of Arts in Bioethics & Science Policy, Deadline: March 1, 2014

We share announcements of jobs and fellowships and calls for proposals as they are received. We generally include detailed descriptions for one month, or two cycles of the newsletter; after one month we share titles and deadlines along with a link to the item’s online description, when available, until the deadline passes. If you have opportunities that you would like to share via the Petrie-Flom newsletter, please contact Administrative Director Cristine Hutchison-Jones at hutchisonjones@law.harvard.edu.

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