Dear Postdocs and PhD Students,

***Mark your calendars for September 20, 2019***

The Postdoc Association (PDA) of Wayne State University is thrilled to invite you to participate in a day-long of appreciation of Postdocs at Wayne State University.

Please join us for an engaging series of events, including presentations and panel discussions, to celebrate current and future postdocs, to help you navigate future careers in Academia and elsewhere, and to meet with your peers and spend some time away from the day’s stresses.

This year, we are featuring the renowned STEM career coach Dr. Josh Henkin

(<https://stemcareerservices.com/josh-henkin-phd/>).

***Please RSVP by September 13, 2019***

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| *Tentative Agenda for Wayne State Postdoc Appreciation Day, September 20, 2019* | |
| 8:30 AM | *Breakfast & Registration* |
| 9:00 AM | *Welcome and Opening Remarks*   * Dr. Ingrid Guerra-Lopez, Dean of the Graduate School, Wayne State University * Dr. Sokol Todi, Associate Dean for Postdoctoral Affairs, the Graduate School |
| 9:15 AM | *Welcome from the PDA*   * Drs. Marufa Rumman & Grace Swanson, WSU PDA interim co-Chairs |
| 9:30 AM | *Dr. Ahmad Ezzeddine* (@amezzeddine), Associate Vice President, Office of International Programs, Wayne State University:  “How to connect to a world of collaborators for current work and future careers” |
| 10:00 AM | *Dr. Josh Henkin (*[*STEM Career Coach and Entrepreneur*](https://stemcareerservices.com/josh-henkin-phd/)*)*  10-11:30 AM: Talk: “Transitioning into a Non-Academic Career”  Followed by Q&A session |
| 11:30 AM | *LUNCH* |
| 12:15 PM | *Dr. Josh Henkin (STEM Career Coach and Entrepreneur)*  12:15-1:30 PM: Networking  Followed by : Q&A session |
| 2:00 PM | *Dr. Josh Henkin (STEM Career Coach and Entrepreneur)*  2 PM - 3:30 PM: Acing the Interview: How to ‘PREPARE’ with 7 Tried and True Steps  Followed by Q&A session |
| 3.45 PM | *Academic Panel discussion*   * Dr. Annmarie Cano, Associate Provost for Faculty Development & Success, Wayne State University (@annmarie\_cano) * Dr. Todd Leff, Associate Dean of Development, the Graduate School * Dr. Sokol Todi, Associate Dean for Postdoctoral Affairs, the Graduate School |
| 4:45 PM | *Closing remarks* |

**The venue is Student Center #Ballroom AB; 5221 Gullen Mall, Detroit, MI 48202.**