• **Neuroscience PhD Program Seminar Series**
  - April 24, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 101 BBE - 1st year rotation talks: Emily Walsh, Noah Armstrong, Maggie Tish, and Berlin Mendez
  - May 1, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 1459 PBDB - 1st year rotation talks: Parker Abbott, Ben Rangel, Tim Skog, and Thomas Pak
  - May 8, 2018 (Tuesday) NO SEMINAR, Finals Week

• **Graduate Women in Science (GWIS)**
  End of the semester professional development event with Dr. Rana Dajani, an Iowa alumna and current Visiting Professor at Harvard University, will present on her experiences as a female, Muslim, and Arab scientist. In her home country of Jordan, she is an authority on genetics and is focusing on genome-wide association studies concerning diabetes and cancer. Dr. Dajani is being honored with the UI Carver College of Medicine Distinguished Alumni Award for Achievement and Service on Friday, April 27. She is also writing a book on her experiences as a female, Muslim, Arab scientist. ALL ARE WELCOME!
  - April 27, 2018 (Friday) at 3pm in IMU Room 335 (Divine Nine Room—Nebraska Room)

• **Neuroscience Writing Initiative Fellowship**
  Specific to students in the Neuroscience Program, this new initiative is to teach neuroscience students strategies for incorporating stylish and creative writing into their repertoire. See attached overview and application, due April 24.

• **2018 UIowa Brainhack**
  Meet other brain enthusiasts and collaboration on projects related to the brain in an interactive three-day workshop/hackathon. (No prior programing experience necessary.) [More information](#). Questions—please contact james-kent@uiowa.edu
  - May 3-5, 2018 (Thursday to Saturday) 9am to 5pm

• **Department of Biology Seminar Series**  Spring seminar schedule can be found [here](#)

• **Iowa Neuroscience Institute (INI) Updates**
  ~ Check the INI website for dates and details on their seminar series and journal club

• **Molecular Psychiatry Seminar Series**
  More details can be found [here](#) of seminar series dates spanning through June 2018

• **Cerebellar Interest Group**
  Monthly meetings, [dates listed here](#) at 1pm in 1385 PBDB, with lunch from the INI! Please RSVP for lunch to Krystal Parker, PhD

• **Postdoctoral Fellowship opportunity at Stanford University**
  Stanford University’s Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences is seeking to hire a full time post-doctoral fellow for their Cognitive & Systems Neuroscience Laboratory. This lab is headed by Dr. Vinod Menon who has broad multidisciplinary expertise that spans several scientific disciplines and has published extensively on various aspects of human cognition and brain function. The successful candidate will be involved in a multidisciplinary project that seeks to develop novel computational frameworks for robust identification of neurobiological signatures of psychiatric and neurological disorders combining deep learning and convolution networks and dynamic brain circuit analyses with task and resting-state fMRI. Clinical disorders currently under investigation include autism, ADHD, anxiety and mood disorders, learning disabilities, schizophrenia, and Parkinson’s disease. We seek talented and highly-motivated individuals with a strong background in at least one of these areas: deep learning algorithms and optimization (theory and practical implementations); computational modeling, statistical inference, and machine learning, especially as applied to fMRI and MRI data. The candidate will have access to multiple large datasets and state-of-the-art computational resources, including HPCs and GPGPUs. Please email a CV, statement of research interests and relevant background, and have three letters of reference sent to Drs. Vinod Menon and Aarthi Padmanabhan at scsnl.stanford+postdoc@gmail.com

• **SAVE THE DATE**
  ~ Faculty: Spring Faculty Meeting in 2141-2 RCP (Neurology Conference Room) on Wednesday, May 9 from 4:00-5:00pm
  ~ Students & Faculty: Neuroscience Program Spring Picnic at Picayune Creek Farms on Thursday, May 17 from 4:30-7:30pm