Student Updates:

- **Neuroscience Seminar**  
  - August 23, 2016 (Tuesday) at 4pm, in 2189 MERF: Dan Tranel, PhD “Welcome to Seminar” & Kayleen Schreiber  
  - August 30, 2016 (Tuesday) at 4pm, in 101 BBE: Jessica Thomas  
  - September 6, 2016 (Tuesday) at 4pm, in 2189 MERF: Frank Jareczek  
  - September 13, 2016 (Tuesday) at 4pm, in 2189 MERF: Brittany Williams

- **Volunteers Needed - Neuroscience at Iowa, You@UI Recruiting Event**  
  Mike Dailey, Neuroscience Program Associate Director, is recruiting 3-4 volunteers (in their Neuroscience Program t-shirts) to assist with demonstrations, hand out Program information, and answer any questions at an undergraduate recruiting event on campus the morning of Saturday, October 15. You would be needed for approximately one hour to help host ~40 people (students and family). Please contact Mike with interest to volunteer.  
  - October 15, 2016 (Saturday) at 11am-12pm, in 154BB

- **Department of Neurology 4th Annual Fall Symposium: Neurogenetics**  
  University Department of Neurology and Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine is pleased to announce that registration is open for the Neurogenetics Symposium on Friday, September 30, 2016. Neurogenetic disorders affect thousands of Americans and are difficult to treat. Translational scientists forming the faculty of this meeting are in the forefront of developing therapies to help treat these disorders; these therapies will eventually become worldwide standards for neurogenetics. Please visit the conference website for more info or to download the brochure.

- **Updates from Graduate College**  
  - **Incentive Program** - Are you considering applying for a nationally competitive fellowship? The Graduate College’s Fellowship Incentive Program can support your application with initial consultations, review of your materials, and $500 of financial support, just for applying. Click here for full details and a list of eligible fellowships.

  **Upcoming Photo Booth** - Graduate students/postdocs can sign up to have a professional photo taken.  
  - September 7, 2016 (Wednesday) at 1-5pm, in 423 Gilmore Hall  
  - October 5, 2016 (Wednesday) at 9am-1pm, in 283 EMRB

  **Do You Want a Career in Academia?** - Learn when to apply, what materials to prepare, how to prep for an interview, and get advice for negotiations. These workshops will be flipped sessions, requiring students to prepare from home using the provided materials (<20 minutes prep time). Students will leave each session with tailored drafts to use in their search. Learn more & register here  
  ~ Sept. 22, Understanding the Job Search  
  ~ Sept. 29, Preparing Your Materials  
  ~ Oct. 6, Interview & Negotiation Strategies

  **Three Minute Thesis—Registration Deadline, October 1st** - The University of Iowa’s Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition helps graduate students learn to clearly and concisely articulate complex research to non-specialist audiences. More information & registration form can be found here

  **Career Exploration for Grad Students** - Are you exploring your career options? Join us for tips on exploring the expanded job market for PhDs. Topics will include: An overview of the wide variety of fields where PhDs are employed, searching for and interpreting job announcements, introduction to the Versatile PhD web resource, and identifying and marketing your transferrable skills.  
  ~ October 21, 2016 (Friday) at University Capitol Centre, 2520D  
  Register here

  **StrengthsFinder for Grad Students** - When people identify their talents and develop them into strengths they are more productive, perform better, and are more engaged. Gallup’s StrengthsFinder assessment is a tool to help people identify their strengths. StrengthsFinder results gives people a way to discuss and develop their unique combination of skills, talents, and knowledge. During this workshop graduate students will have the opportunity to: increase self-awareness, recognize the strengths of others, and begin to think about using their strengths to enhance their research and career.  
  ~ November 3, 2016 (Thursday), University Capitol Center, 1117  
  Register here
Faculty AND Student Updates:

- **Neuroscience PhD Program Welcome Back Picnic!**
  Neuroscience PhD Program Welcome Back Picnic! Students, please plan to wear your Neuroscience program t-shirt!
  - September 1, 2016 (Thursday) in the evening at Picayune Creek Farms (Old Homestead)

- **Neuroscience Program Student Handbook has been updated!**
  As always, you can find the most up-to-date version of the student handbook on our website. Significant changes in this version include updated information on Scholarly Integrity / Responsible Conduct of Research replacing Principles of Scholarly Integrity and Principles of Molecular and Cellular Biology replacing Fundamentals of Gene Expression and Fundamentals of Dynamic Cell Processes.

- **Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Annual Meeting - San Diego** - November 12, 2016 (Sat.) through November 16, 2016 (Wed.)