“You need to let your voice be heard”

Postdoc Advisory Committee
Welcome Lunch 2015

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Postdoc Advisory Committee

MEPAC*: Initiative by the Associate Dean of Research to help and support Engineering postdocs.

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Mission:

- Enhance postdoc training experience across CoE
- Advocate policies and recommendations to the CoE Associate Dean for Research for the postdocs.

“Participate and let your voice be heard”
How MEPAC enhance your experience?

1. Events, seminars and workshops to promote professional development.
2. Organize support groups to provide career guidance and support from peers & faculties (academia and industry).
3. Networking and collaboration opportunities to share and exchange info among the members.
4. Fostering a sense of community among postdocs.
5. Advocating for postdoc-friendly university policies and creating awareness in the administration about problems.
Recent survey results

Postdocs interests:

- Industry career dev.
- Research proposal skills dev.
- Academic career dev.
- Scientific communication skills dev.
- Social events
- Recruiting events
- International postdoc resources
- CoE Postdoc Award
- Technical/resource workshop

% of respondents interested
Current activities:

• Scientific communication skills
  • Writing circle
• Industry career development
  • Industry/Government career development invited speakers
• Academic career development
  • Academic job search group

New activities:

• What else do you need?
  • Talk to us today!
MEPAC Logo Design Competition:

General guidelines:
• Open to all Michigan engineering postdocs
• DONOT redesign, redraw, modify, distort, or alter Michigan Official logos. (Visit vpcomm.umich.edu/brand for more restrictions)
• Creative and engineering themes recommended.

Procedure for selecting final winner:
• MEPAC members will vote.
• Jury may reject or request modifications for the selected logo.

Submission Specifications:
• 300 dpi, minimum 2x2 cm, JPEG or PDF
• Send image file w/ description to elwa@umich.edu before Oct 31st

Questions: ramta@umich.edu, elwa@umich.edu
Associate Dean for Research webpage:

- Office of the **Associate Dean for Research** (ADR) website has lots of resources and info for postdocs (adr.engin.umich.edu/postdoctoral-research-fellows/information-for-postdoctoral-fellows)
- Such as **funding** sources (grad.engin.umich.edu/funding)
Social Media

- For informal/social **interactions** between postdocs
- **Announcements** about future meetings & events

- Facebook: [fb.com/groups/MEpostdocs/](https://fb.com/groups/MEpostdocs/)
- LinkedIn: [linkedin.com/groups/Michigan-Engineering-Postdoc-Community-7003612/about](https://linkedin.com/groups/Michigan-Engineering-Postdoc-Community-7003612/about)
Advisory Committee Monthly Meetings

First Thursday of the month 12-1pm

• Next meeting: Thursday, Oct 1st 12pm Duderstadt (Conf. Rm 4)
• Discussing input we get from you today
• Questions? Concerns? Ideas?

Join us!

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-For the postdocs by the postdocs