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### Postdoc Pub Night

March 7 - 8:00pm  
Q's Billiard  
(on Wilshire Blvd)  
Come all and bring friends!

### Postdoctoral Scholars Reception & Awards Presentation

March 12 - 5:30 pm  
Faculty Center  
RSVP required:  
[www.gdnet.ucla.edu/rsvp/?Event=POSTDOC2008](http://www.gdnet.ucla.edu/rsvp/?Event=POSTDOC2008)

### Seminar: Long-Term Writing Projects: How to Increase your Productivity

March 25 - 4-6 pm  
Location - TBA  
co-sponsored by GSRC

### Postdoc Orientation

March 26 - 3:00 pm  
1237 Murphy Hall  
RSVP at [www.gdnet.ucla.edu/gss/postdoc/pdorient.htm](http://www.gdnet.ucla.edu/gss/postdoc/pdorient.htm)

### VISA or IMMIGRATION QUESTIONS ? ?

If you have questions that your department or UCLA's international center could not answer, you can get free e-mail advice from a local immigration lawfirm through the new SoPS "Ask Wolfsdorf" feature. Browse to: [www.postdoc.ucla.edu/AskWolfsdorf](http://www.postdoc.ucla.edu/AskWolfsdorf)

## Seminar: Long-Term Writing: How to Increase Productivity

Join us on Tuesday, March 25 for an excellent seminar given by Dr Gina Hiatt. Gina Hiatt, Ph.D. is a clinical psychologist and academic coach who helps professors and graduate students to complete research and writing projects and publish, while maintaining high teaching standards and other commitments. She is the founder and president of Academic Ladder, a company that provides a wide range of services for academics and universities. Gina is particularly proud of the Academic Writing Club, a phenomenally successful online tool and support system that allows participants to log their writing progress on a daily basis, interact with others about the process of writing, and get help and feedback from a coach. After receiving her Ph.D. in 1978 from McGill University, she went on to do a postdoc at UCLA in the Neuropsychiatric Institute. Since then, she has been in private practice for over 25 years, and has focused on helping academics become productive researchers and writers.

## Union Efforts on Campus

The United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 2865, a union, has indicated an interest in organizing University of California Postdoctoral Scholars for the purpose of collective bargaining. You may be approached by a UAW representative requesting to chat with you about union organizing or requesting that you sign an authorization card.

We would encourage all postdocs to become fully informed about this issue before making a decision. If you would like more information about unions and collective bargaining, you can:

1. contact your campus labor relations office at (310) 794-0860,
2. visit <http://www.gdnet.ucla.edu/gss/postdoc/pdunion.htm>, or
3. contact the union directly.

## Postdoctoral Scholars Reception & Awards Presentation

The Postdoctoral Scholars Reception & Awards Presentation will be held on March 12th to recognize and celebrate the important contributions that postdoctoral scholars make to the interrelated mission of research, teaching and public service at UCLA.

**RSVP Required: [www.gdnet.ucla.edu/rsvp/?Event=POSTDOC2008](http://www.gdnet.ucla.edu/rsvp/?Event=POSTDOC2008)**

## Follow Up: Basics of a Tech Start-Up



Did you miss the event? Check the website for future events by the Biz Dev Committee. Additional photos from the event can be found at [www.postdoc.ucla.edu/gallery](http://www.postdoc.ucla.edu/gallery)