



NATIONAL
POSTDOCTORAL
ASSOCIATION

WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN THE NPA?

Mission of the NPA: The NPA is a 501(c)3 nonprofit association, headquartered in Washington, D.C. The NPA was established in 2003 to improve the postdoctoral experience by supporting enhanced research training, and a culture of enhanced professional growth to benefit scholarship and innovation.

What the NPA Does:

- Promote positive change in the postdoctoral experience.
- Develop and provide resources that postdoctoral scholars and administrators need for success.
- Provide opportunities for the postdoctoral community to connect.

NPA Highlights:

- Recommendations for postdoctoral policies and practices
- International postdoc survival guide
- Resources for developing mentoring plans for postdocs
- Responsible conduct of research toolkit
- The Elsevier Foundation New Scholars Grant
- PDA and PDO toolkits



NPA Membership Benefits:

- Leadership and professional development opportunities through volunteer service
- Opportunities to make your voice heard on national postdoctoral issues
- Subscriptions to the NPA e-alerts and *The POSTDOCKET* (quarterly newsletter)
- Reduced meeting registration fees, as well as other discounts
- Access to members-only Web content

Specific NPA Membership Benefits for Graduate Students – resources on the following:

- *NPA's Core competencies*
- *Information on career options for PhDs*
- *Deciding whether you need to do a postdoc*
- *How to apply and interview for a postdoc*
- *Networking strategies for obtaining a postdoc position*
- *How to select the right postdoc, including finding the right mentor*
- *Additional career planning*

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