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PRADA March Newsletter



In honor of International Women's Day (March 8th) PRADA is hosting a Womxn in Science Series featuring both early career researchers and faculty members to share not only their science but to discuss how their gender identity has impacted and shaped their careers. Click the image above to view the program schedule!

PRADA Upcoming Events

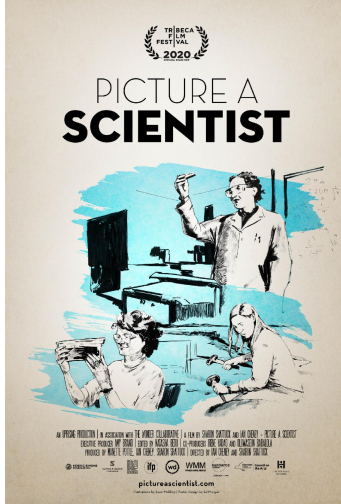
PRADA "Womxn in Science" Event Series

Monday, March 8th from 12-1pm & Thursday, March 11th 12-1pm

Picture a Scientist: Film Screening

March 8th - 11th

PICTURE A SCIENTIST is a feature-length documentary film chronicling the groundswell of researchers who are writing a new chapter for women scientists. A biologist, a chemist, and a geologist lead viewers on a journey deep into their own experiences in the sciences, overcoming brutal harassment, institutional discrimination, and years of subtle slights to revolutionize the culture of science. From cramped laboratories to spectacular field stations, we also encounter scientific luminaries who provide new



perspectives on how to make science itself more diverse, equitable, and open to all.

The film (97 mins) will be viewable for a 72-hour window, ideally beginning on Monday 3/8. Questions related to the film will also be discussed as part of our Womxn in Science Faculty Panel on 3/11.

Film screening link coming soon.

For more information about the movie visit:
<https://www.pictureascientist.com>

Womxn in Science: Early Career Research Rounds

Monday, March 8th, 12-1pm

Please join us for a panel to hear from three early career researchers conducting studies related to women and girls. These Harvard-affiliated postdocs/grad students will each give 10-15 presentations on their research that affects individuals assigned female at birth. Featured projects include work in endometriosis and eating disorders in sexual and gender minority youth. This event will feature presentations from Danielle Peterse, Ariel Beccia, and Ari Tabaac.

PRADA WOMXN IN SCIENCE EVENT SERIES

March 8-12th, access will be provided

"PICTURE A SCIENTIST" MOVIE SCREEN

Monday, March 8th 12-1pm

EARLY CAREER RESEARCH ROUNDS

Featuring:
Danielle, Ariel Beccia and Ari Tabaac

Thursday, March 11th 12-1pm

FACULTY PANEL DISCUSSION

Featuring:
Dr. Elizabeth Engle, Dr. Alisa Khan, Dr. Trista North

In collaboration with BCH PDA

Zoom Information

<https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/96722582478?pwd=WmJUaXNRMWdML3JsTVBBTlhVUjVJ5dz09>

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Womxn in Science: Faculty Panel Discussion

Thursday, March 11th, 12-1pm

Please join us for a "Womxn in Science" panel discussion featuring Dr. Trista North, Dr. Alisa Kahn and Dr. Elizabeth Engle. These three faculty scientists/researchers will speak about their work and how they climbed to their current roles in a themed discussion addressing the topic, "How has your gender identity impacted your career trajectory." The event will start with a synopsis of the movie "Picture a Scientist" (viewing the documentary is not a requirement for attendees or panelists), and move on to the panel discussion. This event will be co-moderated by PRADA and PDA leaders.

Zoom Information

<https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/94667340458?pwd=eW5FN0xiRW9PVmV0Ri9ZY3FwS0tGZz09>

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Science Communication Event 3: The PI Perspective on Writing Research Manuscripts as a RA/RC


Tuesday, March 16th at 12pm

PRADA PRESENTS

THE PI PERSPECTIVE ON WRITING RESEARCH MANUSCRIPTS AS A RA/RC

Tuesday, March 16
12-1 PM

Zoom
Webinar ID: 914 6566 4576
Passcode: prada



Three PIs from BCH (Drs. Christine Sieberg, Carla Kim, and Alyna Chien) will present their tips, tricks, and wisdom for writing research manuscripts as a RA/RC for basic, clinical, and population science research.

Zoom Information

[https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/91465664576?](https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/91465664576?pwd=ZkEwdHIJMzBpWGxzTGtsNE1rdWc2dz09)

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Webinar ID: 914 6566 4576

For questions please contact:

Seetha Davis at seetha.davis@childrens.harvard.edu

Science Communication Event 4: RA Panel on Manuscript Writing


Monday, March 29th at 12pm

PRADA PRESENTS

RA Panel on Manuscript Writing

Monday, March 29 | 12-1 PM

Meeting ID: 944 6809 7940
Password: 335485



Research Assistants from BCH will share experiences seeking out writing opportunities, navigating the writing and publishing process, and working with PIs and postdocs to present research through writing. Join us with your questions and your lunch!

Zoom information

[https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/94468097940?](https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/94468097940?pwd=ZUprNW0rWU9XeIRVYktwdjJrMXhMQT09)

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Meeting ID: 944 6809 7940

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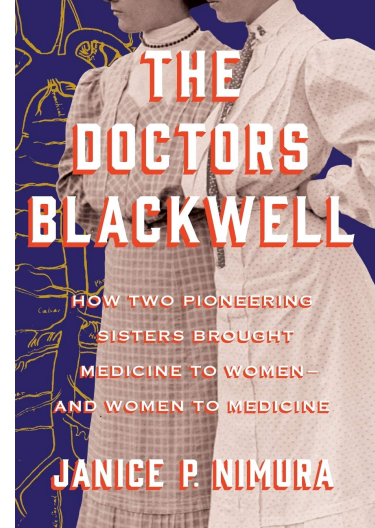
March Book Club Meeting

Wednesday, March 31th at 12pm

To celebrate Women in STEM in March, we will be reading "The Doctors Blackwell: How Two Pioneering Sisters Brought Medicine to Women and Women to Medicine" by Janice P. Nimura. We hope you'll join us!

Below is a description of the book:

Elizabeth Blackwell believed from an early age that she was destined for a mission beyond the scope of "ordinary" womanhood. Though the world at first recoiled at the notion of a woman studying medicine, her intelligence and intensity ultimately won her the acceptance of the male medical establishment. In 1849, she became the first woman in America to receive an M.D. She was soon joined in her iconic achievement by her younger sister, Emily, who was actually the more brilliant physician.



Exploring the sisters' allies, enemies, and enduring partnership, Janice P. Nimura presents a story of trial and triumph. Together, the Blackwells founded the New York Infirmary for Indigent Women and Children, the first hospital staffed entirely by women. Both sisters were tenacious and visionary, but their convictions did not always align with the emergence of women's rights—or with each other. From Bristol, Paris, and Edinburgh to the rising cities of antebellum America, this richly researched new biography celebrates two complicated pioneers who exploded the limits of possibility for women in medicine. As Elizabeth herself predicted, "a hundred years hence, women will not be what they are now."

If you are planning on participating in March's Book Club Meeting, please contact Raquel Ferreira if you would like a free copy of March's book.

Zoom Information

Join from your computer or mobile device: <https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/4133842123?pwd=SUd2VWxCa0hzRmtaamNTWk1rUEZqQT09>

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For questions please contact:

Sarah Lee and Raquel Ferreira at Sarah.Lee@childrens.harvard.edu & Raquel.Ferreira@cardio.chboston.org

PBS Presents: Social Work Career Panel

Monday, March 22th at 12pm

Join PBS on March 22nd,
12 pm-1 pm

**Social work
Career Panel**

Featuring

Kimberly O'Brien,
PhD, LICSW

Ariel Botta,
PhD, MSW, LICSW

This career panel will feature two admirable social workers in our Boston Children's community as they present their educational and professional journeys. Dr. Botta and Dr. O'Brien will be open to questions and discussion after their respective presentations.

Zoom Information

Join from your computer or mobile device:

[https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/95676069003?](https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/95676069003?pwd=emhZZDR5SGlmSm9vT3N3V0JwNnBHdz09)

[pwd=emhZZDR5SGlmSm9vT3N3V0JwNnBHdz09](https://bostonchildrens.zoom.us/j/95676069003?pwd=emhZZDR5SGlmSm9vT3N3V0JwNnBHdz09)

Password: 576891

Dial-in information: Internally: x28882 Externally: 646-558-8656 (Primary)

408-638-0968 (If you are unable to dial into the primary number)

Telephone password: 576891

Meeting ID: 956 7606 9003

For questions please contact: Natalie Cuccia at

Community Service Subcommittee Updates

Summer mentoring opportunity: PRADA & COACH

We are piloting a new partnership with BCH's COACH program that will pair PRADA mentors with college mentees seeking to gain professional experience in healthcare and research. This mentorship program will last for 7 weeks from June to August. Keep an eye out for more details, an interest survey and a mentor application in April.



If you are looking for volunteer opportunities, please see our **Opportunity Guide**: <https://tinyurl.com/PRADA-Volunteer>

If you need any help filling out an application or getting in touch with an organization, don't hesitate to ask us for assistance! If you have any concerns, please let us know. Our new Community Service subcommittee is a work in progress, and your feedback will help us improve our offerings. Please use the link below to tell us about opportunities you try, or any others you want to share [Optional]!

<https://tinyurl.com/PRADA-Volunteer-Survey>

For questions please contact: Daniel Osorio at daniel.osorio@childrens.harvard.edu

2021 LGBTQ Health Awareness Month



March is LGBTQ+ Health Awareness Month! We would like to highlight a program of events sponsored by the Office of Health Equity and Inclusion, LGBTQ & Friends and the Boston Children's Rainbow Consortium on Sexual and Gender Diversity. Click the "LGBTQ Health" image above to view the program schedule!

E-Board Spotlight

Meet your PRADA PBS Subcommittee Chairs, Juliana and Natalie!

Natalie Cuccia

My name is Natalie and I'm a clinical Research Assistant in Dr. Christine Sieberg's Biobehavioral



Pediatric Pain Lab. Over the last two years I've worked on a wide variety of projects researching Endometriosis associated pain and Chronic Post-Surgical Pain in young adults. My research interests include the psychology behind athletic performance and eating disorder prevention/recovery. After my time at Boston Children's I hope to pursue a PhD in Clinical Psychology. When I'm not working I enjoy cooking and taking my dog, Coco, on long hikes.

Juliana Mendonca



My name is Juliana and I'm a Clinical Research Assistant in Dr. Bosquet-Enlow's Biobehavioral Research Lab. In our lab we work to learn about child cognitive development and how this is affected by maternal stress. I am specifically interested in the disparities that exist among vulnerable populations and how socioeconomic status of diverse groups affect early childhood development. I aspire to earn a PhD in Clinical Psychology and contribute to research focused on the early childhood disadvantages and their lasting effects on childhood development. This includes defining advantage versus disadvantage as this may look different across varying cultures. I hope to enhance the knowledge available on addressing the needs of children on the individual level.

E-Board Open Positions

Below is a link to a document with all our current open PRADA E-Board positions, please check them out!

Open Positions:

[Health Disparities & Inclusion \(HDI\)](#)

[Book Club](#)

[Science Communications/Grand Rounds](#)

[Mental Health Monthly](#)

[Professional Development and Networking](#)

[Click to see Open PRADA Positions](#)

New Resources for PRADA Members and Alumni

[PRADA Outlook Calendar](#)

The PRADA outlook calendar is now accessible to everyone who is a part of our email distribution list! You are now able to add the PRADA calendar to your own to automatically see any events. We will still be sending out the newsletter every month, and emailing out invitations to events, this is just an extra way for everyone to see what's going on with PRADA each month.

If you are struggling to add the PRADA calendar, please take a look at the attached instructions, or feel free to reach out. We're happy to help!

[Click for PRADA Calendar Instructions](#)

Scope360

Scope360 is the Boston Children's mobile app for employee communications. It is great for sharing content and news about the hospital, research, and organizations within BCH (like PRADA)! You can find it using the link below and signing in with your BCH credentials.

[Click for Scope360](#)

Leaving BCH? Stay in Touch!

As you move on to exciting new opportunities, we would love to stay in touch! Help us extend our alumni network by filling out our survey.

[Click for Alumni Survey](#)



Our Facebook Group

PRADA Communications is proud to see members engaging with our Facebook Group! Our group is the best place to post opportunities, connect with other members, and reap all the benefits of our community. Plus, we get to see your lovely faces! Check out our Facebook page here (<http://www.facebook.com/groups/BCH.PRADA>) and send us a request to join!

About Us

PRADA is a supportive, inclusive learning community for research assistants, coordinators, and other young professionals at Boston

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