2014 RESEARCH & INNOVATION WEEK at UMSL
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Think Outside the Lab

Alternate Careers for Scientists
a session for graduate (and undergraduate) students

Representatives from the FBI, an IP law firm, the BALSA Group, and the St. Louis Economic Development Partnership will discuss alternate career choices for scientists who want to utilize their expertise outside of the laboratory.

Kathleen Chaffee, Ph.D., is a patent agent at Dentons and focuses on patent prosecution and litigation in the biotechnology and life sciences fields. She used her doctoral degree in chemistry to join the legal profession. A patent agent needs a degree in a field of technology recognized by the USPTO, but does not need a law degree. A USPTO registered patent agent can prepare, file and prosecute patent applications.

John Flick, who has a bachelor’s in mechanical engineering and a master’s in aerospace engineering, is a special agent in the FBI currently working in national security investigations. The FBI uses cutting-edge science to solve cases and prevent acts of crime and terror. Flick previously worked at NASA Langley Research Center doing spacecraft systems design and analysis.

Brett Maricke is president of The Biotechnology and Life Science Advising (BALSA) Group, a non-profit organization founded and led by WashU graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. BALSA provides short-term consulting services to companies ranging from startups to large corporations. BALSA is recruiting scientists to join their team; members gain experience in the life science industry while improving leadership, teamwork and business skills.

Travis Sheridan is assistant vice president, innovation & entrepreneurship, at the St. Louis Economic Development Partnership (STLPartnership). He is passionate about entrepreneurship as a driver for economic development and is well-connected to startup resources in the St. Louis region.

Pizza and networking after!

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TUESDAY, APRIL 22
3:30 p.m.: Program (MSC, SGA Chamber)
5:00 p.m.: Pizza and Networking (MSC Rotunda)