F.M. Kirby Neurobiology Center

Academic Job Search Guidance

Support for Fellows Entering the Job Market

The postdoctoral community has requested assistance with the search for academic positions, and faculty of the Kirby Center will offer guidance tailored to each fellow and stage of the process.

If you are preparing to enter the job market, please email SJ Cunningham (SJ.Cunningham@childrens.harvard.edu) and Michael Do (michael.do@childrens.harvard.edu). Please contact us well in advance of your first deadline.

We will convene a committee of Kirby faculty members who have appropriate expertise. This committee will

- 1. Review a draft of your application within 2 weeks of receiving it.
- 2. Provide coaching on preliminary screenings (e.g., video interviews), if applicable.
- 3. Offer feedback on your job talk.
- 4. Take you through a mock chalk talk.
- 5. Provide advice on closing the deal.

This assistance is meant to be highly individualized. If you communicate your particular needs (e.g., "I am a biophysicist with neuroethological leanings for whom English is a second language"), that would help us arrange the appropriate committee.