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SPEAK OUT ON THE #GRADTAX

If you're concerned about pending legislation that would make graduate student tuition waivers taxable, here are steps you can take.

1. Go to house.gov and look in the upper right corner for "Find Your Representative"
2. After putting in your zip code, your elected official's photo and contact info will appear. Click on the name to be directed to their site.
3. Find the contact form on their site and send a short message:

"Dear Representative: The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that passed the House of Representatives includes a repeal of the income exclusion for graduate student tuition waivers. This will add a huge tax burden to graduate students that make a median wage of just over \$34,000. In addition, it will discourage promising students from pursuing graduate school in STEM at a time when our nation urgently needs it. I urge you to strongly oppose the repeal and to add your name to the letter that Congressman Pete Sessions is developing. To do so, please contact Ron Donado @ Ron.Donado@mail.house.gov."

University Departments that are concerned about the issue should forward the note to their university government relations offices. Those offices will be able to contact the delegation to urge that they sign on.

FEDERATION OF ASSOCIATIONS IN BEHAVIORAL AND BRAIN SCIENCES (FABBS)

Part of your SBN dues support our membership in FABBS, which advocates for behavioral research funding by the federal government. Please [renew your membership](#) and see below for more details on the important activities your dues help support.

Report from the field by Margaret M. McCarthy, SBN FABBS Representative

As a dues paying member of the SBN you are also a participant in and supporter of FABBS, the only coalition of scientific societies focused specifically on advocacy for the sciences of mind, brain, and behavior in the U.S. They advocate for the sciences of mind, brain, and behavior on Capitol Hill and with the federal agencies that fund our sciences. They educate federal representatives and Congress about the importance of research in our sciences; advocate for legislation and policies that enhance training and research; provide sources of expertise to federal agencies and Congress; encourage the sound use of science in the creation of public policy; and foster interactions between our member scientific societies and federal agencies.

[Read more...](#)

22ND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SBN: JOINT MEETING WITH ICN

JULY 15 - JULY 18, 2018
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA

SBN will be hosting their 2018 Annual Meeting jointly with the ICN

This year member registration will cost \$190 less than nonmember registration. Renew your membership today!

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission Opens	December 2017
Registration & Accommodation Opens	December 2017
Abstract Submission Deadline	January 26, 2018
Trainee Travel Award Application Deadline	January 26, 2018
Author Notification of Acceptance	March 15, 2018
Late Breaking Abstract Submission Deadline	April 2, 2018
Early Registration Deadline	April 6, 2018
Regular Registration Deadline	June 1, 2018
Congress Dates	July 15 - 18, 2018

Please visit the [ICN2018 website](#) for complete details, registration, and accommodations information.

PROPOSALS FOR SBN ANNUAL MEETING LOCATIONS

The 2018 SBN annual meeting will be held jointly with the International Congress on Neuroendocrinology (ICN) in Toronto, Ontario in Canada from July 15 - 18, 2018. The 2019 SBN meeting will be held in Bloomington, Indiana.

We are now requesting proposals for sites to hold SBN annual meetings in years 2020 and beyond. The earlier we identify sites, the better we can all prepare and work to keep costs to a minimum. We are seeking venues (College, University or other) that can provide the infrastructure for an excellent meeting, but which also provides the affordability required to encourage participation by students and post-docs or others with limited financial resources. Moreover, with the idea of promoting attendance, we hope to identify locations that will encourage ease of access for individuals traveling from a diversity of states and countries. The SBN Executive Committee encourages members to submit a proposal or contact SBN President-Elect, Barney Schlinger (schlinge@lifesci.ucla.edu), to discuss the possibility of preparing a proposal.

For potential proposals for the 2020 meeting, please contact [Barney](#) before December 31, 2017.

PROMOTE YOUR RESEARCH ON TWITTER

A growing community of scientists are using Twitter to promote their research and expand their scientific networks. The SBNTweets account can help you promote your research in this community by announcing papers or advertising positions.

If you have an account follow [@SBNTweets](#). If you don't have an account you can send announcements to Brian Trainor at bctrainor@ucdavis.edu.

JOB POSTINGS

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If you would like to submit a vacant position, you may do so via the [website](#).

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