

Frontiers and Careers in Photonuclear Physics

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REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

To register click [here](#) and complete the form. The registration deadline is June 30th. As quite a number of people have already expressed their interest in attending, registering early is recommended. If we reach full capacity before the registration deadline, a waiting list will be made. The website has been updated with further travel and location information. Please see below for details regarding the Registration fee and updates regarding lodging options for Saturday night.

DESCRIPTION:

The conference aims to bring together nuclear and particle physics Ph.D. students and post-docs to discuss research and career perspectives in a friendly environment. The participants will be given a chance to present their research during oral presentation sessions. There will also be panel discussions with leading experts, focusing on how to effectively build out a career in the field. The goal is to address important aspects of a young scientist's career beyond research, such as creating an effective curriculum vitae and effectively interviewing for positions. The meeting will introduce young researchers to some of their peers from different parts of the world and provide them with information, opportunities, and guidance on prospective career paths.

The conference is modeled on the recent successful program of Gordon Research Seminars associated with Gordon Research Conferences, but it is independent of the Gordon Research Conferences organization. The conference does immediately precede the Gordon Research Conference (GRC) on Photonuclear Reactions and aims to increase attendance and involvement of young scientists in the GRC.

FORMAT AND SCHEDULE:

The Conference starts on Thursday, August 7, 2014 with a reception at 6 PM followed by talks. The program on Friday August 8 will follow a format similar to the GRC, having a 3-hour morning and 3-hour after dinner plenary sessions. The afternoon is free for participants to either take part in planned excursions or to engage in their own activities. The conference will end on Saturday, August 9 after a morning session and early afternoon panel discussion.

KEY DATE:

Registration Deadline June 30, 2014

REGISTRATION FEE:

The Conference Registration fee is set at \$150. It will cover food, drinks, and conference supplies. More info on how to pay will be sent out to registered participants prior the meeting. Dorm rooms at MIT will be available for participants from Thursday August 7 to Saturday, August 9, 2014. The rates for rooms at MIT are \$69/Single-occupancy room and \$46.50/double-occupancy room per person. For Saturday night lodging options, see below.

SATURDAY NIGHT ROOM OPTIONS:

Participants who will be attending the GRC will need to make their own accommodation plans for Saturday night.

As accommodation in Boston during a summer weekend can get quite expensive, we have options on several rooms (doubles and triples, 20 beds total) at the [40Berkeley hotel](#), located in downtown Boston and easily reachable from MIT. If you are interested in taking one of the available spots for Saturday night, you can indicate this on the registration form. Final prices haven't been set yet but current estimates are \$75 for a bed in a double room and \$55 for a bed in a triple room.

GRC participants can also get discounted rates from two hotels in the Boston area. More info can be found at: <http://www.grc.org/sites.aspx?id=2>

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

We anticipate having resources that will support participants attending our seminar and the GRC. If you need financial assistance please indicate this when registering.

LOCATION:

The conference will take place at MIT. The plenary sessions and panel discussions will be held in the Kolker Room at the Laboratory of nuclear science and attendees will be rooming at the MIT dorms.

WEBSITE:

Info about the conference will be posted at:
<http://www.physics.sc.edu/~frontiers2014/>

Please check back for updates on deadlines and updates.

OTHER INFO:

The Gordon Research Conferences offers bus transportation (for a fee) from Boston Logan Airport to the Photonuclear Reactions GRC in Holderness, NH on Sunday, August 10.