

McGill Integrated Program in Neuroscience Presents:

# Post-Synaptic Careers: Life after a Neuroscience Degree

Discussion Series



## ***What can one do after a degree in Neuroscience?***

*This discussion series will address this question through informal conversations with some successful non-academics with graduate degrees in neuroscience; the series will compliment IPN's Pathways and Connections, which is the academic equivalent of Post-Synaptic Careers. This is your chance to talk to those who were once where you are. Ask the guest speakers about the often difficult decision to leave academia and the important, but sometimes serendipitous, connections that led them to where they are now.*

### **Francesca Theriault, Professor at [Dawson College](#)**

*Francesca is a tenured biology professor at Dawson College, where she chaired the Biology Department for over 4 years. She was Coordinator of the Science Program for over 3 years and currently has numerous roles in Science Program development. She started her teaching career while finishing her PhD research on the role of the transcription factor Runx1 in neuronal development in Dr. Stefano Stifani's lab at the MNI. The years during which she finished her research, wrote and defended her thesis, got her doctoral degree in Neurological Sciences (which evolved into IPN) in 2007, **and** started full time teaching at Dawson in 2004, were hectic, to say the least! However, the satisfaction Francesca feels in her chosen career is beyond what she had hoped for when first deciding that her future lay in teaching.*



**DeGrandpre Amphitheatre, MNI (3801 Rue University), starting at 6:00 pm on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**

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*Details about future sessions of Post-Synapse will be sent out as soon as they become available.*