

SIXTH MOTOR CONTROL SUMMER SCHOOL

We invite bright, open-minded graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and young professionals to apply for admission to the **Motor Control Summer School # VI (MCSS-VI)**. MCSS-VI will be a five-day event, **May 28 - June 1, 2009**. It will include an arrival day (May 28), three days of sessions (May 29-31), and a departure day (June 1). We plan to bring together **6-10 faculty and 25-30 students** selected from the pool of applicants.

Acceptance criteria:

- (1) Relevant experience reflected, in particular, in the number of publications;
- (2) As a rule, one-two students per research group will be accepted (including the groups led by the faculty);
- (3) Preference will be given to productive, advanced graduate students and postdoctoral fellows;
- (4) Balanced representation of different sub-areas such as neurophysiology, psychology, biomechanics, modeling, rehabilitation, etc.

The program will include **LECTURES AND FORMAL AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS OF HOT TOPICS INCLUDING ISSUES RAISED BY THE STUDENTS THAT MAY BE RELATED TO THEIR CURRENT OR PLANNED PROJECTS.**

There will be no tutorials; the students should know basic

anatomy, muscle physiology, neurophysiology, biomechanics, basic calculus, basic operations with vectors and matrices, statistics, etc. The style of the lectures and discussions will be frank and open.

TUITION: none.

Each participant will pay his/her expenses. There will be no tuition, and the faculty will receive no compensation for their participation. **MCSS has no funds (the total budget is exactly \$0) to help with travel costs.** All participants will get a formal certificate to help them get reimbursed through whatever means they have at their disposal.

SITE:

We have made an arrangement with a Conference Center "Antiochian Village" in the Laurel Mountains area of Pennsylvania. The Center is about 90 min of driving from the Pittsburgh International Airport (East). The closest town is Ligonier, PA. The current rates range from \$300 to \$400 (approximately, depending on single/double/triple occupancy) for four nights including all meals. **Please, do not contact the Center and do not make any travel arrangements until you get an official acceptance letter to join MCSS-VI.**

FACULTY:

The current, **tentative** list of faculty includes:

Roger Enoka, University of Colorado
Anatol Feldman, University of Montreal
Mark Latash, Penn State University
David Ostry, McGill University
Robert Sainburg, Penn State University
John Scholz, University of Delaware

If you would like to participate in MCSS-VI, please e-mail a letter of interest to Mark Latash (latash@psu.edu) with a single-file attachment that contains a statement of personal goals and a c.v. with the list of publications and presentations. Virus-free Word and PDF attachments are welcome.

**THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS:
February 15, 2009. Earlier applications will get preference for admission. Admission decisions will be made by March 15, and those accepted will be notified by e-mail.**