

## **YUKO MIYAMOTO**

Department - Pharmacology  
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**Title:** Assistant Professor

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### **Describe a typical day?**

*Teaching or preparing for a lecture; meeting with students from class and meeting with research students; setting up the lab.*

*On occasion, there is a speaker who will come and the faculty have a meal with them and listen to their talk.*

### **What do you enjoy most?**

*Interacting and mentoring students*

### **What are some of the challenges?**

*Lack of time to do research and lack of resources to do research.*

### **What is the biggest misconception about your career field?**

*Teaching is very time consuming and it is not easier than doing research at a level one research institute.*

### **How did you find out about your current position?**

*Higher Chronicles of Learning emails.*

### **What strategies or resources did you find most helpful during your job search?**

*The special seminars, workshops, meeting with the counselors, mock job interview, networking with other postdocs interested in teaching, the Center for Teaching and Learning.*

### **Looking back on your time as a postdoc or your job search, what do you wish you would have done differently?**

*I wish I would have done a postdoc in a lab that uses a cheaper model system than mammalian tissue culture.*

### **What career planning and/or job search advice do you have for current postdocs interested in your career field?**

*Talk to as many people in the position you wish to obtain and get as much teaching experience as possible. Use the OPS office resources because they are great!*