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Get Nerdy with PhilaU at the Philadelphia Science Festival

PHILADELPHIA, April 24, 2015 -- Philadelphia University faculty and students will lead hands-on Philadelphia Science Festival events from April 24 to May 2 as part of the fifth annual citywide event to promote science education.

This year's festival features more than 100 events at locations throughout the region. Through interactive demonstrations, PhilaU students and faculty in architecture, chemistry, engineering and physician assistant studies will share the excitement of science at the following events:

Murder at the Mütter: Preconceptions Sunday, April 26 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. The Mütter Museum, 19 S. 22nd St., Philadelphia Cost: \$40 for adults, \$35 for students

Chemistry Professor Jeff Ashley will lead participants in their work with investigators and forensic experts at different evidence stations to experience the science of criminal investigation and solve a murder mystery.

Neighborhood Science After School Wednesday, April 29 3:30 to 5 p.m. Wynnefield Branch of the Free Library of Philadelphia 5325 Overbrook Ave., Philadelphia

Architecture and engineering students led by Kihong Ku, assistant architecture professor, and Christopher Anderson, visiting assistant mechanical engineering professor, will demonstrate to K-12 students how robotics inspire architecture with designs and prototypes.

Science Carnival on the Parkway Saturday, May 2 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 20th Street and The Benjamin Franklin Parkway The annual Science Festival concludes with a carnival featuring more than 150 exhibitors. Physician assistant studies students and program director Jesse Coale will lead "The Wacky World of the Human Body" exhibit. Architecture and engineering students led by faculty members Kihong Ku and Christopher Anderson will showcase innovative prototypes on smarthome technology

Philadelphia University, founded in 1884, is a private university with 3,700 students enrolled in more than 70 undergraduate and graduate programs. As the model for professional university education, the University, through its award-winning Nexus Learning approach, prepares students to be leaders in their professions in an active, collaborative and real-world learning environment infused with the liberal arts. Philadelphia University includes the innovative Kanbar College of Design, Engineering and Commerce; the College of Architecture and the Built Environment; and the College of Science, Health and the Liberal Arts. For more information, go to www.PhilaU.edu.