Megan Way– Economics    Jessica Simon - Economics
Self-employed women, though more highly educated than self-employed men, earn approximately 75% of what their male counterparts earn on an hourly basis. We examine economic returns to education for self-employed workers compared to wage-employed in the context of the self-employment gender earnings gap for the Millennial generation. We consider both human capital and signaling theory, and apply OLS and quantile regression to examine the returns to education across the income distribution for samples of both wage-employed and self-employed Millennial women and men, using the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1997. We find that, generally, returns to education do not differ between self-employed and wage-employed, or between male and female self-employed. There are, however, some differences along the income distribution, which may indicate a breakdown of signaling theory when applied to self-employment.

“Publish AND Perish! A Discussion Regarding Predatory Journals”
Daryl Bullis – Lead Instructional Services Librarian, Horn Library
Is it “publish or perish” or “publish and perish”? Publishing is a very important activity required of academic faculty, but if choosing your research agenda is not challenging enough, it is sometimes even more difficult to choose in which journals to publish. Colleagues and mentors in your department often have great suggestions about which journals are worth your attention, but there is much more to this process. There are a number of factors that contribute to the confusion that surrounds many of the issues concerning scholarly publishing. Some factors include: choosing whether to publish within or outside your discipline, journal rankings and citation impact factors, and individual article citation counts. These traditional factors are being complicated by a conversation around Open Access, “pay to play” practices, and predatory journals. How can we sort this out and what are the predatory “red flags”?

We look forward to your participation. Refreshments for attendees will be paid for by the BFRF - Pick up your lunch in Olin Pandini’s (before noon), sign the Chat list at the checkout period. For additional information, contact Sandra Castaldini, x5339.