

# PHD CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UPDATES



UNIVERSITY CAREER CENTER & THE PRESIDENT'S PROMISE



THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Welcome to a new academic year at the University of Maryland.

Why did you decide to earn your PhD?  
What type of work will you pursue next?

Regardless of your answers to these questions, you ultimately will be seeking employment after your doctoral or postdoctoral training at Maryland. I encourage you to spend a little time each week doing something related to your career and professional development. It is important to leverage the available career resources and build your professional network from the beginning so that you are "career ready" for a position that fits you in academia, industry, nonprofit organizations, government or entrepreneurial ventures.

To stay informed about events and career resources for PhDs, please read this monthly e-newsletter, follow me on twitter, [@UMDPHDCareers](#), and regularly check out the events calendars of the Graduate School, the University Career Center and career center website for your specific college/school.

I look forward to working with you. Please let me, or Jeffrey Yeung, GA, PhD Career Development, know how I can be helpful.

- Dr. Susan Martin, Program Director, PhD Career Development, Graduate School & The University Career Center



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## Get Your Professional Development Going!

### 4 Easy to Accomplish Career Development Tasks for Early to Mid September

1. **Learn more about PhD Career services at Maryland** by watching this quick [15 minute YouTube video](#).
2. **Visit the website of your primary career center.** Activate or update your career portal website ([Careers4Teps](#) (all disciplines), [Careers4Engineers](#) (Engineering only), [HireSmith](#) (Business doctoral programs only), or [UMD Policy Jobs](#) (Public Policy doctoral programs only).)
3. **Review the events calendars and sign up for career and professional development events.** Learn more about the [career fairs](#) taking place the week of September 16th.
4. **Write down your goals for this year (and beyond).** Create or update your [Individual Development Plan](#) (doc students version) or [Postdoc IDP](#).



## Upcoming Career Skills Workshops

### New online Workshops!

No time to attend workshops? No worries. This fall there are 12 online career development workshops scheduled in Webex. All sessions will be recorded and linked to the Graduate School's Professional & Career Development web page.

>>PHD 2019-2020 career development workshops	
<b>FALL</b>	<b>WINTER</b>
<b>SPRING</b>	<b>SUMMER</b>

Link to the [Fall 2019 Webinar Schedule and Registration](#).  
Link to [Download a printable PDF](#) of all 2019-2020 workshops.

### September Webinars: (all 60 minutes or less)

- [Navigating to Your Dream Career](#), Friday 8/30, 12 noon
- [Making the Most of the Fall Career Fair](#), Tuesday, 9/3/19, 12 noon
- [Tips for International Doc Students & Postdocs](#), Friday, 9/6, 2 pm
- [Academic Job Search Overview](#), Tuesday, 9/10, 12 noon
- [How to Apply for Federal Jobs & Internships](#), Friday, 9/20, 12 noon
- [Turn Your PhD Research Project into a Startup](#), Thursday, 9/26, 12 noon. Also in-person at UM Ventures Office in The Hotel.
- [Industry Job Search Overview](#), Friday, 9/27, 12 noon.

## Fall Career & Internship Fair Info

### Learn more about the Fair! Attend some pre-fair events to get ready!



Doctoral students may find a number of employers that are looking to hire graduate students. If you are looking for a summer internship for 2020 or a full time position, the fair can be a way to begin making connections. Attending is a great way to practice presenting yourself to employers. Get ready for the fair by doing the following preparation:

- Attend the [Making the Most of the Fair](#) webinar on Tuesday, 9/3, 12-1 pm
- Stop by at PhD drop-in hours for a 15 minute resume critique on Monday, September 9: 1 p.m.–5 p.m., Thursday, September 12: 9 a.m.–11 a.m. & 2 p.m.–4 p.m., Monday, September 16: 9 a.m.–11 a.m.
- Review the searchable list of [260+ employers that are attending](#) on each of the 3 days of the fair.
- [Computer Science Career Fair](#)- doc students (limited to students in CS program) should check out the CS Fair.
- Need some new job search clothing? Stop by the [JC Penny Suit Up event](#) on 9/8, 7-9 pm for BIG savings.

## Featured Alumni & Employer Events

*These are only a few of the many employer and alumni events offered each semester. For a complete list of events, check the events calendars of the University Career Center, Engineering Career Center, your academic department, College or School and the University.*

### Save the Dates: Rita B. Leahy Series-Careers for PhDs in Data Science



The Rita B. Leahy Career Series  
Where PhD Training Meets Opportunity

During 2019-2020, the first annual Rita B. Leahy Career Series will bring current doctoral students and Maryland alumni together to meet and explore career opportunities for PhDs.

10/1/19- Careers in Data Science  
11/20/19-Careers in Advocacy & Policy

Sessions will be held from 4:30-6:00 PM in the University Career Center & The President's Promise, Room 3134 of the South Wing of Hornbake. The speakers' opening remarks will be simultaneously broadcast via Webex. The networking part of the program will not be on Webex so in person attendance is preferable. [Link to Series Information](#)

## Accenture Meet & Greet - Friday 9/6/19, 3-4:30 pm



If you'd like to learn more about our work and the roles we offer, join some of our representatives between 3pm and 4.30pm on Friday, September 6th at the University Career Center! This is an informal networking event where you can come and go as your schedule allows – we look forward to meeting you! Don't forget to bring a resume!

[Learn more about Accenture's event.](#)

## FBI Info Session - 9/13/19, 12-1:30 & 1:30 and Office Hours - 1:30-3 pm



There literally is a position for almost every major! The FBI has 37,000 employees, an \$8 Billion budget and over 700 locations so there is a business side as well to the FBI. [Link to Session Information.](#)

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## Museum Profession Day - 9/16/19, 1-6 pm, Washington, DC



The Smithsonian American Art Museum is partnering with the American Alliance of Museums for a free table-top museum career fair. Network with professionals from across the Smithsonian Institution, and other museums in the Mid-Atlantic region, and gain insights about advancing your career. [Link to Session Information.](#)

## Get Ready for a Faculty Career

### Develop Skills to Become a More Competitive Faculty Job Applicant



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The TLTC inspires and supports effective, engaging, efficient, and equitable teaching innovations among the University's instructors and assistants. Our team provides faculty, students, and staff with training, resources, professional development activities, and individualized consultation to transform their classrooms and careers.

*If you are serious about pursuing a faculty career then you should fully utilize the professional development events offered by the TLTC throughout your training at Maryland!*

[Link to TLTC UTLP information](#)  
[Link to more information about upcoming events](#)  
at the TLTC.

## Links to Career Services Offices

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