A bi-weekly supplement to the Campus-Wide Career E-Newsletter, specifically for Current PhD students and Postdocs. Contact Dr. Susan Martin, smarti18@umd.edu for more information about this content.

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Prepare for a Career You Will Love

The month of February is filled with fantastic opportunities for doctoral students and postdocs to actively engage in meaningful career exploration, professional development and networking.

Upcoming Career Development Events

Career Skills Workshops for PhD Students and Postdocs

PhDs have many transferable skills. What do you plan to do after finishing your degree? These sessions provide information and tools to help you explore and launch a career in academia, industry, nonprofits or government. Click on the session titles below for more information and to register. Space is limited and registration required. Contact Dr. Susan Martin, smarti18@umd.edu, if you have questions.

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MYTH: Career fairs are just for undergraduates!

TRUTH: PhDs can use upcoming career fairs to make initial in-person contacts with organizations of interest. Some possible goals for conversations with representatives can include: practice making a positive impression with an engaging self-introduction, learning more about job postings you applied for on their website, getting a referral to someone in the company to do a follow up informational interview after the fair.

Review the list of 244 Registered Employers 30% seeking PhD level candidates 22% seeking Post-doc candidates

Other Spring Career Fairs

- Applied Economics Career Fair - Tues. 2/13, 2-4 pm
- CS Internship & Career Fair - Tues.2/20, 3-8 pm
- Maryland Metropolitan Education Expo - Wed. 2/28, 9:30-5 pm

Career Fair Preparation Drop-In Hours

Not sure what to do or say at a career fair? Looking for ideas about how to make the most of your time at the fair? Stop by for a quick 15 minute consultation, resume critique or conversation about specific tips on how to present yourself to employers at the upcoming career and internship fairs. Location: 3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing-University Career Center & The President's Promise. Just walk-in. No appointment needed.
Career Fair Prep Workshops

- **How PhDs Can Leverage Career Fairs**, Thursday, February 15, 12-1:30 pm
- **Advice about How to Prepare for Fairs**, Monday, February 19, 4:00-5:00 pm
- **Does Talking to Recruiters Make you Nervous?**, Thursday, February 15, 2018, 4:00-5:00 pm

Upcoming Professional Development & Networking Events

**Women's Foreign Policy Group Annual Mentoring Fair**
Wednesday, February 7, 6:00-9:00 pm, More info...

**1st Annual Graduate Career Pathways Conference**
Friday, April 20, 2018, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.
Registration Opens March 1st.
- 9 panels of professionals working in a specific career sector
- Opportunities to network with UMD PhD and Master's alumni
- FREE, but space limited.

Events for Engineers (Click image to see full calendar and register)
Career & Professional Development Resources & Tools

Careers4Terps YouTube Video Tutorials
Learn the basics of how to use C4T to schedule career advising appointments, search and apply for jobs, access the Vault online career library, and use Interview Stream to practice typical interview questions. PhDs and postdocs already have a FREE account—simply complete or update your profile to activate your account.

CIRTL Network Workshops and Courses
If you are preparing for an academic career check out CIRTL! Consortium universities offer FREE ONLINE professional development training for graduate students and faculty related to implementing and advancing effective teaching practices for diverse student audiences. Learn more about teaching careers, mentoring, research methods, and teaching and assessment best practices.
GoinGlobal is available inside of your Careers4Terps account. It is useful for PhDs searching for jobs outside of the US and contains career guides for 90 locations, international job and internship postings database, and information about employers hiring international students. Watch the instructional videos to get started. Schedule a follow up appointment through C4T to discuss your job search.

If you are preparing for an academic career, TLTC programs and services should be a part of your professional development plan! The TLTC provides faculty, students, and staff with training, resources, professional development activities, and individualized consultation to transform their classrooms and careers. Attend their teaching portfolio and teaching philosophy statements in preparation for starting your search for a faculty position.

Not sure what you want to do with your PhD? ImaginePhD is a career exploration and planning tool developed specifically for Arts and Humanities and Social Sciences PhDs. Take the online assessments and explore 16 career families. Schedule an appointment through C4T with Dr. Susan Martin to discuss your results and effective strategies for exploring careers that are aligned with your interests and skills.

STEM PhDs can use this tool to explore science careers outside of academia and create an Individual Development Plan. Schedule an appointment through C4T with Dr. Susan Martin to discuss your results and effective strategies for exploring careers that are aligned with your interests and skills.

ChemIDP is an Individual Development Plan tool designed specifically for graduate students and postdoctoral scholars in the chemical sciences. Learn
Thinking about non-academic careers? The University of Maryland subscribes to a resource that demystifies non-academic careers and reveals many professions that can utilize the skills you are developing in graduate school. This resource contains real life examples of the resumes, CVs and cover letters of Humanities, Social Science and STEM PhDs and their story about how they landed their job outside of academia. Learn more.