Careers in academia you might not know about

Want to know more about different types of careers in academia, including faculty, staff, teaching, and research positions?

Description:

In this whiteboard talk, we will explore the different types of faculty and non-faculty career-track positions available to life science PhD-level scientists in academic institutions, including research-intensive (R1) institutions, primarily undergraduate institutions (PUIs), liberal arts colleges, master's granting universities, and community colleges. Some examples of these types of careers include positions with research, teaching, and/or administrative responsibilities. We will feature the stories of several UCSF faculty and staff, and illustrate how they navigated their career trajectory in a variety of different academic positions. This talk was previously created for the 2017-2018 MIND Program [1], and is now being offered to the wider graduate student and postdoctoral scholar community at UCSF.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the session, you will be able to:

- Describe different types of positions for PhD-level scientists within an academic institution
- Identify the different types of higher education institutions in the US
- Differentiate among the the roles and responsibilities of different types of academic positions
- Recognize the various career trajectories available within academia
Dates and Times:
Friday, February 9, 2018 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Mission Bay Genentech Hall N-114
Register through Eventbrite [2]

Speakers:

Bill Lindstaedt, MS
Assistant Vice Chancellor of UCSF’s Career Advancement, International and Postdoctoral Services?

Bill Lindstaedt has been helping scientists and engineers make career decisions for over twenty years. He was the Director of the Office of Career and Professional Development at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) for 13 years. Since October 2014, he has served as the Executive Director of the umbrella unit known as Career Advancement, International & Postdoctoral Services (CAIPS). Lindstaedt is also co-author of “myIDP”, a popular career development tool hosted by Science magazine’s careers site.

Gabriela Monsalve, PhD
Program Director, Motivating INformed Decisions (MIND) Program

Gabriela Monsalve manages the development, instruction, and evaluation of the Motivating INformed Decisions (MIND) program [3], which is a research study in career exploration for students and postdoc at UCSF funded by the National Institute of Health Common Fund [4]. She was a Damon Runyon postdoctoral fellow at UCSF, and complete her PhD training in Biological Chemistry at UCLA. She is passionate about improving mentoring and training outcomes for biomedical trainees, and for the advancement and advocacy for underrepresented groups in STEM. Please send any questions about the MIND Program to mind@ucsf.edu [5].

This program is presented in collaboration with the MIND Program at UCSF.

To prepare for your faculty job search, visit the OCPD website[6] for tips, resources, and sample materials.
To explore additional types of academic careers, visit the Career Exploration webpage[7].