Non-academic Career Exploration Programs

Missed any of the past non-academic careers programs? Want to sign up for an upcoming workshop? Check out our programs below.

January

Industry Research

Are you interested in a career as a researcher in the biotechnology industry? Check out the series of workshops to help you get started, interview, and negotiate!

This series takes place twice a year, in January at Parnassus and July at Mission Bay.

Programs in this series:

- Job hunting in biotech- Wednesday, January 3, 2018 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
- Networking- Wednesday, January 10, 2018 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
- Resume- Wednesday, January 17, 2018 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
- Interviewing for employment- Wednesday, January 24, 2018 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- Job talk
- Negotiation- Wednesday, January 31, 2018 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
February

Data Science[9]

Considering a career where you could work to make sense out of large amounts of data? In February, these workshops focus on exploring and preparing for a data science career.

- Data Science: Entry points for students and postdocs- Tuesday, February 6, 2018 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- Informational Interviewing [10]- Wednesday, February 7, 2018 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Interviewing [6] for employment- Tuesday, February 20, 2018 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

March

Consulting[11]

Ready to learn more about becoming a consultant? In March, we'll focus on preparing for consulting positions.

- Interviewing [6] for employment- Monday, March 26, 2018 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- Application Materials [12]: Cover Letters, Internship Applications, and Resumes- Tuesday, March 27, 2018 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

April

Business of Science[13]

What opportunities exist in the business of science? In April, find out more about these positions.

- Networking for your next career steps [14]- Wednesday, April 25, 2018 11 a.m. - 12 a.m.
- From the lab to the business of science: How do I begin? [15]- Thursday, April 26, 2018 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
May

**Science Writing and Communication**[^16]

Considering putting your skills to use in science writing and communication? In May, learn how to position yourself for a variety of careers in this sector.

- **Take charge of your career**[^17] - Tuesday, May 1, 2018 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
- **Science Communication Careers: Getting Started**[^18] - Tuesday, May 8, 2018 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- **Application Materials: Portfolio Preparation, Writing Samples, and Internship Applications**[^19] - Tuesday, May 25, 2018 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- **Networking for your next career steps**[^14] - Tuesday, May 22, 2018 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

June

**Tech Transfer**[^20]

Would you like to understand what people mean when they refer to a career in Tech Transfer? In June, learn more about technology transfer careers!

- **A Tech Transfer Career: Getting Started**[^21] - Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. and Wednesday, June 13, 2018 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

July
Industry Research

Are you interested in a career as a researcher in the biotechnology industry? Check out the series of workshops to help you get started, interview, and negotiate!

This series takes place twice a year, in January at Parnassus and July at Mission Bay.

Programs in this series:

- Job hunting in biotech- Wednesday, July 11, 2018 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Networking- Wednesday, July 18, 2018 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Resume- Wednesday, July 25, 2018 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Interviewing for employment- Wednesday, August 8, 2018 2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- Job talk for employment- Wednesday, August 1, 2018 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Negotiation- Wednesday, August 1, 2018 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

August

Career Exploration and Skill Development

What does it mean to explore career options as a graduate student or postdoc? In August, focus on applying your research skills and your analytical thinking to an investment in your future work life.

- Take charge of your career- Tuesday, August 8, 2017 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Identifying your values and motivators- Friday, August 11, 2017 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
- Learn to network at your next event- Tuesday, August 15, 2017 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
- Identifying your strengths and skills- Friday, August 18, 2017 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
- Informational Interviewing- Monday, August 21, 2017 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
- Using LinkedIn and UCSF Connect- Tuesday, August 22, 2017 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

September

Nonprofit and Think Tank

Would you like to know what people mean when they refer to a job at a nonprofit or think
tank? In September, learn more about how your research skills can be applied in this sector.

- Non-profits and think tanks: what are my options? [27]- Wednesday, September 13, 2017 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- Networking strategies for a career at a nonprofit or think tank [28]- Tuesday, September 19, 2017 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
- Resume [12]- Friday, September 29, 2017 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

October

Science Policy [29]

Why is science policy important and what types of positions exist in this field for PhD students and postdocs? In October, these workshops are all about preparing for a career in science policy.

- Science policy careers: Getting started [30]- Tuesday, October 3, 2017 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
- Take charge of your career [17]- Wednesday, October 4, 2017 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
- Policy fellowship application materials- Monday, October 16, 2017 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- Using LinkedIn [25] and UCSF Connect [25]- Tuesday, October 24, 2017 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

November

Clinical/Regulatory [31]

What are clinical research and regulatory affairs and how can you break into this sector? In November, explore these fields and how to gain experience that will set you up for a move into these types of positions.

- Personal Branding [32]- Tuesday, November 7, 2017 2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- Clinical/Regulatory careers: Getting started- Wednesday, November 8, 2017 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- Resume [12]- Tuesday, November 28, 2017 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Networking [14]- Wednesday, November 29, 2017 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
December

Startups[33]

What is it like working at a startup? In December, take a closer look at this type of work.

- Working at a startup: How do I begin?- Monday, December 4, 2017 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- Take charge of your career [17]- Monday, December 4, 2017 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Resume [12]- Thursday, December 7, 2017 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
- Informational Interviewing [10]- Thursday, December 14, 2017 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

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