Professional Development and Career Planning  
Spring 2021 Highlights  

Be sure to view the LGS Professional Development and Career Planning calendar for a detailed look at all of the activities taking place to support the professional development of LGS graduate students.  

One-on-One Career Coaching  
Graduate Students are invited to sign up for one-on-one coaching with Laney’s career coaches. Sign Up for a Coaching Appointment at: bit.ly/emorylaneycpdc  

Are you new to career coaching? Get to know LGS’s Career Coaches at a special session on Strategies for Professional Success, featuring LGS Career Coaches  

Date: February 1, 2021 ♦ Time: 2:00 to 4:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

LGS Career Coaches also offer workshops throughout the semester on topics such as:  

Strengths-Based Interviewing  
Date: February 10, 2021 ♦ Time: 10:00 to 12:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

Challenging Negative Career Thoughts  
Date: March 8, 2021 ♦ Time: 2:00 to 4:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

Developing Career Resilience  
Date: March 15, 2021 ♦ Time: 2:00 to 4:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

Strengths-Based Networking  
Date: March 24, 2021 ♦ Time: 10:00 to 12:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

Grant Writing Coaching  
Students in the humanities and social sciences who are preparing grant and fellowship applications are encouraged to submit their materials for grant writing coaching. Please visit our website here for details.  

Deadline to Apply: February 22, 2021 ♦ Sign Up and Learn More Here  

Virtual LGS Graduate Writing Group  
Are you working on a research article or a dissertation chapter? Or on a teaching philosophy, research interest statement, or some other writing project? If so, join our weekly graduate student writing group to keep yourself accountable, make some progress, and obtain feedback! The writing group is hosted by the Writing Center and ELSP.  

Dates: Every Thursday from January 28-April 1, 2021 ♦ Time: 1:00 to 3:00 pm ♦ Learn More Here  

Data Science Software Carpentry Multi-Day Workshop  
This workshop will help researchers get their work done in less time and with less pain by teaching them basic research computing skills. The workshop will cover basic concepts and tools, including program design, version control, data management, and task automation. No previous knowledge is necessary.  

Date: January 19-22, 2021 ♦ Time: 4:00 to 7:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

Professional Online Communication Series  
We are pleased to offer a new series of trainings on professional communication. Participants in this workshop series will learn strategies for employing written, verbal, and non-verbal professional communication in online formats such as over email, in Zoom presentations, and in online and in-person networking situations.  

Part 1: Overview of Professional Communication  
Date: February 3, 2021 ♦ Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

Part 2: Giving Presentations in an Online Environment  
Date: February 16, 2021 ♦ Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here  

Part 3: Developing Professional Body Language and Voice for Online Interactions  
Date: March 3, 2021 ♦ Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm ♦ Sign Up Here
Part 4: Transitioning In-Person Networking Skills Online
Date: March 18, 2021 • Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm • Sign Up Here

Martha and William Dobes Series
The Martha and William Dobes Outstanding Graduate Teaching Fellow Award promotes reflection on the impact of themes of science, reason, and/or humanism upon the research and teaching activities of advanced graduate students. Awardees develop an LGS-facing remote training, workshop, or presentation related to their teaching expertise. Details about this year’s Dobes Award winners are below.

Tell the Story of Your Research through Creative and Persuasive Communication
featuring Misael Romero-Reyes, Chemistry
Date: March 4, 2021 • Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm • Sign Up Here

Trauma-Informed Teaching in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic
featuring Elena Lesley, Anthropology
Date: March 30, 2021 • Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm • Sign Up Here

Financial Literacy
These workshops, featuring Maria Carthon from the Office of Financial Aid, will prepare graduate students with the necessary tools to manage their debt and have successful student loan repayment experience.

Debt Management for Master's Students
Date: March 9, 2021 • Time: 12:00 to 1:30pm • Sign Up Here

Debt Workshop for Doctoral Students
Date: March 17, 2021 • Time: 12:00 to 1:30pm • Sign Up Here

Business Concepts for Life Scientists, from iBiology
This course will enhance PhD scientists’ understanding of foundational business concepts. This business coursework is unique because it is designed to prepare scientists for career transitions into both academic and non-academic settings. Instructors Dr. Thi Nguyen and Deb Dauber, PhD will help doctoral students and postdocs understand how biopharma enterprises operate beyond the bench. Participants who attend all four sessions will have completed work to obtain a certificate in Business Concepts from iBiology. Sign Up and Learn More Here

Part 1: Intro to Business Strategy:
Date: March 10, 2021 • Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Part 2: Strategy Toolkit:
Date: March 17, 2021 • Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Part 3: Intro to Business Development
Date: March 24, 2021 • Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Part 4: Finance
Date: March 31, 2021 • Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Networking Opportunities

ORISE Fellowships: Various Dates and Times (Monthly) • Sign Up Here

St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital
Date: January 29, 2021 • Time: 12:00 to 1:00pm • Sign Up Here

Master's and PhD Virtual Career Expo
Date: March 3, 2021 • Time: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm • Click Here for More Information

Pathways Beyond the Professoriate: Entrepreneurship
Pathways Beyond the Professoriate connects students with distinguished alumni who have chosen career paths outside of the academy. This edition is about careers for PhDs in Entrepreneurship, featuring Dr. Chris Hermann (Clean Hands – Safe Hands) and Dr. Chris Lee (nUvasive via Vertera Spine Acquisition; Woodbridge Foundation).
Date: February 23, 2021 • Time: 12:00 to 2:00 pm • Sign Up Here
Jones Program in Ethics
Selected JPE 610 Sessions

The following activities are eligible for JPE 610 credit for LGS students who sign up in advance. To see the full schedule of JPE 610 activities or to learn how to sign up for a JPE 610 session, visit the JPE 610 homepage on the LGS website.

Diversity and Inclusion Counts: How Universities Reshape Racial Inequality Behind Diversity Numbers (JWJI Colloquium Series): February 8 ♦ Time: 12:00 pm to 1:15 pm

Race-Ethnicity and the Applicant-Employer Interface (JWJI Colloquium Series): February 15 ♦ Time: 12:00 pm to 1:15 pm

Xenophobia in America: How We Got Here and What’s At Stake (JWJI Colloquium Series): February 22 ♦ Time: 12:00 pm to 1:15 pm

How to Translate Academia into Accessible, Memorable Story (Janece Shaffer): February 11 ♦ Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Active Bystander Skills (ABS) Training (Office of Respect): February 12 ♦ Time: 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Writing a Data Management Plan for Grant Proposals (Jennifer Doty): February 17 ♦ Time: 10:00 am to 11:30 am

The Ethics of Authorship (Eric Weeks): February 19 ♦ Time: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Intention to Publish: Perils and Pitfalls of Analyzing Data Specifically to Generate Significance (Paul Weiss): March 12 ♦ Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Putting the Humanities PhD to Work, A Conversation with Katina Rogers, Ph.D.: March 19 ♦ Time: 10:00 am to 11:30 am