This year-long series of informal presentations and interactive workshops covers a variety of career exploration & professional development topics to help graduate students and postdocs succeed in (and beyond) grad school!

Find more info & resources at: upstate.edu/grad/career/index.php

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2021 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | NAB 4414BC
“3 Minute Thesis Competition”
Featuring: Graduate Students
Judges: President Dewan, Dr. Schmitt and Dr. Amberg

Graduate students will present their dissertation research findings to a general audience in three minutes with only one PowerPoint slide. Our judges for the competition will include President, Dr. Mantosh Dewan, Dean of the College of Graduate Studies, Dr. Mark Schmitt and Vice President of Research, Dr. Dave Amberg. ALL students and postdocs are eligible to participate in the competition. You may use this as an opportunity to share your research. First place winner takes home $250 cash prize, second place $100.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | WH 3105
“Publication 101”
Patricia Kane, PhD
Professor and Chair of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
SUNY Upstate Medical University

Dr. Kane has numerous publications in prestigious scientific journals and can speak on experiences, successes and pitfalls. Students will learn how to be effective contributors in scientific community and should come prepared with questions about the publication process.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | SETNOR 2509 & 2510
“Selecting your Advisor and Committee”
Mark Schmitt, PhD
Dean, College of Graduate Studies
SUNY Upstate Medical University

Join us as Dr. Schmitt provides direction when selecting your advisory committee. He will discuss setting research goals as a PhD student and how to establish your committee. Attend this workshop to discuss the student progression and development as a scientist through advisory committee meetings and guidance from faculty members and mentors.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | ZOOM
“The Tech Industry: A Career in Data Science at FaceBook”
Jie Peng, PhD
Data Scientist
Facebook

Please join our next career development workshop as Dr. Jie Peng, an alumnus from the College of Graduate Studies and Dr. Feng’s lab, discusses how years of research can transition into a tech-industry career. Dr. Peng is currently a Data Scientist at Facebook. Join us to learn how to prepare for a career in this field and how to find opportunities in graduate school to gain experience. Also, learn networking tips and how to look for industry positions after earning your PhD.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | WH 3105
“How to Prepare a Postdoctoral Application and Make Your CV Stand Out From the Crowd”
Mariano Viapiano, PhD
Associate Professor, Department of Neuroscience & Physiology
SUNY Upstate Medical University

Are you interested in a career in academia? Please join us as Dr. Viapiano provides tips and tools to have an effective application package. Learn how to format your CV, the basics of networking, how to draft professional emails and what to include on an application to make it stand out.