

Developing Yourself at Princeton

A Graduate Workshop on Professional Development

December 8, 4:00 - 6:30 PM

Friend Center 101

Time	Academic Friend 004	Non-Academic Friend 006	Entrepreneurship Friend 008
4:00 PM	Welcome and Introductions Amy L. Pszczolkowski, the Graduate School Friend 101		
4:20 PM	McGraw Center Preparing to Write a Meaningful Statement of Teaching Philosophy	Career Services Making the Transition: Envisioning Your Future Non-Academic Career	Keller Center What the Keller Center Offers to Princeton's Entrepreneurs
5:00 PM	5 minute break		
5:05 PM	Writing Program Building a Sustainable Writing Practice: Moving from Sprinting to Marathons	Career Services Creating and Sustaining Your Professional Committee	Prof. Derek Lidow and Alex Lorestani A Conversation Between Two Generations of PhD Entrepreneurs
5:45 PM	Networking Reception with Professional Development Groups		

4:00 pm Welcome and Introductions

Mircea Davidescu, GSG President

Amy Pszczolkowski, Assistant Dean for Professional Development, The Graduate School

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4:20 pm Breakout Workshops

(stay in the same track for both workshops or feel free to switch rooms!)

Track 1: Academic - Room 004

Title: Preparing to Write a Meaningful Statement of Teaching Philosophy

Description: Teaching statements have become important in academic job searches as more and more colleges and universities are requesting them from applicants for faculty

positions. This workshop will introduce participants to the concept of the teaching statement and present recent research on how search committees interpret them. We will also discuss how writing a statement can serve as a valuable means of enhancing one's own teaching strategies. This workshop will provide a context for participants to start writing their own statements by drafting key elements of them that draw on their teaching experiences and their goals for their students.

Presenter (s): Sarah Schwarz, Associate Director, McGraw Center

Track 2: Non-Academic - Room 006

Title: Making the Transition: Envisioning Your Future Non-Academic Career

Description: If you are looking to expand your career search beyond the academy, come explore the first steps to a successful job search including self-reflection, exploration and communication. Start your transition to a career outside of academia by becoming informed and making a plan of action.

Presenter(s): Career Services
Pulin Sanghvi, Executive Director
Susanne Killian, Associate Director, Graduate Student Career Advising

Track 3: Entrepreneurship - Room 008

Title: Entrepreneurship through Princeton's Keller Center

Description: An overview of the Keller Center's eLab Summer Accelerator and Academic Year Incubator Programs, designed to help student startups flourish at Princeton. Learn how you can become more involved with activities at the Entrepreneurial Hub, located at 34 Chambers Street in downtown Princeton. Learn how to connect to startup advisors, business professionals/service providers, and amenities such as Entrepreneurship and Design Thinking courses, workshops, workspace, and conference rooms. The Keller Center also provides TA opportunities and a Princeton Start-Up Immersion Program (PSIP) with opportunities at early stage startup companies in NYC or Tel Aviv. Princeton-sponsored housing, networking, cultural and social events and stipend make up this unique and immersive experience.

Presenter(s): Keller Center for Entrepreneurship Stephanie Landers, Entrepreneurial Program Manager Victoria Dorman, Academic Affairs Manager Lilian Tsang, Associate Director, Outreach and Administration

5:00 pm Break (5 min.)

5:05 pm Track 1: Academic - Room 004

Title: Building a Sustainable Writing Practice: Moving from Sprinting to MarathonsDescription: Writing in Graduate School is challenging: the projects are large, the time frame is long, the literature is vast. In the process lurks a hidden, long-term danger: while there are many ways of getting the writing done, the strategies most writers used as undergraduates almost guarantee future writing blocks. In this workshop, we'll

consider how to develop a sustainable writing practice that sets the stage for a lifetime of productive work.

Presenter(s): Judy Swan, Associate Director for Writing in Science and Engineering, The Writing Program

Track 2: Non-Academic - Room 006

Title: Creating and Sustaining Your Professional Committee

Description: Developing your professional network takes time and effort, but may be easier than you think. In this session, you will learn the basics to identifying your existing professional contacts, organizing your network, identifying and reaching out to new connections all while sustaining and growing these relationships.

Presenter(s): Susan Killian, Associate Director, Graduate Student Career Advising, Career Services

Track 3: Entrepreneurship -Room 008

Title: A Conversation Between Two Generations of PhD Entrepreneurs

Description: An interview featuring Derrek Liddow, James Wei Visiting Professor in Entrepreneurship, and Alex Lorestani, CEO of Geltor, on what it takes to be effective start-up leaders, as well as a discussion of courses on entrepreneurship at Princeton.

Presenter(s): Derek Lidow, Professor in Entrepreneurship

Alexander Lorestani, GS (MOL) and CEO of Geltor

5:45 pm Networking Reception with Graduate Student Representatives:

University Administrative Fellows (UAFs)
Princeton University Graduate Consulting Club
Career Services Graduate Student Advisory Board
Writing Center Fellows
McGraw Center Teaching Fellows
Princeton Grad Entrepreneurship Club

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