The Graduate Center is a hub of campus-wide professional development resources for graduate students and postdoctoral scholars. We offer support in-person and online. Our workshops and events focus on five areas of professional development: Communication, Multiple Career Pathways Support, Mentoring, Wellness, and Interdisciplinarity and Diversity.

**Upcoming Fall 2021 Graduate Center Events and Services**

-- All workshops and services are FREE and offered remotely --

Full details about the programs and additional on-campus professional development opportunities can be found on our website: [https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/](https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/). Dates and times are subject to change.

**Graduate Center Newsletter**

[https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/articles](https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/articles)

A quarterly newsletter with articles featuring resources, student and alumni profiles, community engagement, and opportunities for collaboration. Stay connected and [sign up to receive the newsletter](https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/articles) four times per academic year.

**Writing Efficiency Sessions**

[https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/writing-support/writing-efficiency-sessions](https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/writing-support/writing-efficiency-sessions)

A weekly virtual program to help attendees complete their writing projects. The program includes timed writing sprints, a short discussion about improving your writing productivity, and the opportunity to meet 1:1 with a writing consultant. Attend all or part of a session. There is no cost to register or attend.

**ABD to PhD Writing Workshops**

[https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/writing-support/abd-phd-writing-workshops](https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/writing-support/abd-phd-writing-workshops)

A participatory workshop series focused on dissertation writing.

- Effective Planning and Working with Faculty
  - September 15, 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM Arizona Time, Zoom
- Writing In-depth Analysis to Support Your Research
  - October 20, 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM Arizona Time, Zoom
- Literature Review 1.0: Dissertation Edition
  - November 17, 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM Arizona Time, Zoom
Graduate College Career Advising
https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/career-support

The Graduate Center supports graduate students and postdoctoral scholars in their career endeavors, with a focus on the transition to industry, government, business, and non-profit employment sectors. Support includes identifying opportunities, conducting searches, networking, drafting application materials, and interviewing. You can schedule a 1:1 career advising appointment using Handshake (select "Graduate College Career Advising" and follow the prompts) or by emailing gradcenter@email.arizona.edu.

Career Forward Sprint: Beyond the Academy

For graduate students and postdoctoral scholars who are thinking about careers outside the academy. This free, fully online (D2L) program teaches strategies to help you successfully navigate your career beyond the academy, while presenting your most professional self. The 1-month cohort experience covers:

1. Career research and discovery
2. Building your network and your professional self
3. Developing your application materials
4. Preparing for and practicing interviewing

In typical Sprint fashion, recommended daily tasks help ensure you keep moving forward! If you have questions or want to reserve your spot, please email gradcenter@email.arizona.edu. A new cohort begins every month. More information available at https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/career-support.

Graduate Center Endorsed Career Fairs

2021 Fall Career Days

Every semester the University of Arizona facilitates a multi-day career fair that brings together employers who are actively recruiting and networking. While it is true these employers may not be readily recruiting for roles requiring an advanced degree, you may still find opportunities of interest. If nothing else, this is a fantastic opportunity for you to begin building relationships with potential employers of interest because you never know where your next opportunity will come from. The 2021 Virtual Fall Career Days is facilitated via Zoom. Register to attend through Handshake. Here is the full schedule:

- September 24, 1-4 PM MST: Commerce and Management Opportunities for All Majors
- September 28, 1-4 PM MST: Engineering, Data & Technology
- September 29, 1-4 PM MST: Health, Biosciences, Research and Academia
- September 30, 1-4 PM MST: Global Impact & Public Service
Career Fair Prep Program

This free and fully online program for graduate students launches one month before each of the University of Arizona’s career fairs - in August for fall semester and January for spring semester - and provides information, guidance, and resources on:

- Using Handshake to research employers and their opportunities
- Crafting a self-introduction and talking points to make a great first impression
- Preparing application materials if you find opportunities of interest
- Maximizing your interactions with employers day-of
- Continuing to build relationships after the event

Additionally, participants receive priority appointment scheduling with your career support team. This means you can schedule a 30-minute 1:1 career counseling appointment the same day (as available) to help you prepare for the career fair.

The Career Fair Prep Program launches 10 to 14 days prior to the campus-wide career fair each semester.

If you have questions or want to reserve your spot, please email gradcenter@email.arizona.edu. More information available at https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/career-support.

Preparing for Faculty Job Applications Series

https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/career-support/preparing-faculty-job-applications-series

This series of participatory workshops focuses on the academic job market and addresses topics such as writing teaching, research, and diversity statements; creating ePortfolios; managing your online presence; and preparing for interviews.

- Paving Pathways Beyond PhD: Academia and Higher Education
  - September 7, 12 PM to 1:30 PM Mountain Standard Time/Arizona Time
- Developing your Teaching and Research Statements
  - September 14, 12 PM to 1:15 PM Arizona Time
- Writing Diversity Statements,
  - September 21, 12 PM to 1:15 PM Arizona Time
- Creating ePortfolios and an Online Presence
  - September 28, 12 PM to 1:00 PM Arizona Time
- Preparing for the Academic Job Interview,
  - October 5, 12 PM to 1:30 PM Arizona Time
- Application Materials Review submission deadline
  - Materials submission deadline: October 12, 11:59 PM Arizona Time
  - Feedback returned: October 20
“Fighting Feeling like a Fraud: Understanding and Overcoming Combat Impostor Syndrome” with Earl Lee, Office of Diversity and Inclusion

This workshop will provide an overview of Impostor Syndrome, common thoughts associated with the phenomenon, and examples of how it impacts careers. Strategies will be offered to overcome imposter anxiety, and there will be time for discussion among participants and speakers.

- Date and time to be announced

Funding Workshops


- **NSF GRFP Information Sessions**
  - An overview of the application process and tips on applying.
    - Tuesday, August 24, 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM MST
    - Monday, August 30, 11:00 AM to 12 PM MST
    - Thursday, September 2, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM MST

- **DAAD Information Session**
  - An overview of an excellent source of funding for study and research in Germany
    - Tuesday, August 31, 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM MST

- **Hertz Foundation Fellowship Information Session**
  - Hear from Kevin Lin, Hertz Representative for the University of Arizona, about applying for the Hertz Fellowship.
    - Wednesday, August 25, 12:15 - 1:15 PM MST

- **Student Fulbright Application Workshop**
  - To be announced. Please contact the Honors College Office of Nationally Competitive Scholarships for more information.

AAUW Start Smart Workshops on Establishing Salary Goals and Effective Negotiation

https://gradcenter.arizona.edu/career-support/start-smart-salary-and-negotiation-workshops

A set of workshops that help attendees understand the impact of the gender pay gap, establish salary goals, and effectively interview for and negotiate a job offer.

- Date and times to be announced. More information is coming soon.

Financial Literacy and Debt Management Workshop
A presentation for graduate students about how to manage debt and enhance financial literacy.

- TBD

**Webinar: Making the Most out of Mentoring**

A webinar providing research-based strategies for getting the most out of mentoring relationships. Applicable for either mentors or mentees.

- TBD

**Mitigating Unconscious Bias: What Graduate Students Can Do**

A webinar discussion of best practices for reducing unconscious bias in order to improve decision-making and inclusiveness

- TBD

In addition to our programs, we promote opportunities offered by our campus partners: see our [online calendar](#).

Have questions about our programs listed above, ideas for new programs, or other topics? Send them to [gradcenter@email.arizona.edu](mailto:gradcenter@email.arizona.edu) or call 520-621-0580.