



## 2023 Professional Development Conference

Thursday, October 19th		Tinkham Veale University Center Kelvin & Eleanor Smith Foundation Grand Ballrooms A, B, C
Time	Session	Speakers
9:00-9:30am (Check-In)	Check-In	
9:30-9:45am	Welcome and Introduction	<b>Edward Carson, B.S.E.</b> <i>2023 CBTA Professional Development Conference Chair Co-President, Lerner Trainee Association, Cleveland Clinic CWRU Biomedical Engineering Ph.D. Student</i>
9:50-10:50am	<b>The Art of Networking Panel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emotional Intelligence - Understanding people and how they generally respond to communication</li> <li>How to market yourself Online and In-Person to fit the role</li> <li>Misconceptions about networking - Introverts and Extroverts</li> <li>How to overcome anxiety often attached to networking</li> <li>How to physically read a room and know how to approach others at networking events</li> </ul>	<b>Lauren A. Easterling, MDIV, Ph.D.</b> <i>Assistant Professor of Clinical Anatomy, Cell Biology &amp; Physiology, Director of Trainee Services, Graduate Division, Indiana University School of Medicine</i> <b>Melissa Bostrom, Ph.D.</b> <i>Assistant Dean for Graduate Student Professional Development, Duke University</i> <b>Arnab China, Ph.D.</b> <i>Senior Scientist, Charisma Therapeutics Cleveland Clinic Postdoc Alumnus</i> <b>Melanie Sinche, M.Ed.</b> <i>Director of Career and Professional Development, Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs, University of Virginia</i> <b>Annie Maxfield, M.S.</b> <i>Director of Graduate Career and Professional Development, Texas Career Engagement, University of Texas at Austin</i>
11:10am-12:10pm (Concurrent)	<b>Session 1: CV/Resume/LinkedIn Workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Get your specific questions answered with one-on-one appointments (pre-registration required)</li> </ul>	<b>Lauren A. Easterling, MDIV, Ph.D.</b> <i>Assistant Professor of Clinical Anatomy, Cell Biology &amp; Physiology, Director of Trainee Services, Graduate Division, Indiana University School of Medicine</i> <b>Karin Lawton-Dunn, M.S.</b> <i>Senior Career Services Specialist, Graduate and Postdoc Career Office, Iowa State University</i> <b>Arnab China, Ph.D.</b> <i>Senior Scientist, Charisma Therapeutics Cleveland Clinic Postdoc Alumnus</i> <b>Marcos Rivera, M.A.</b> <i>Assistant Director for Alumni Career Engagement, CWRU Career Center</i>
	<b>Session 1: Networking Workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Active session to practice networking skills</li> </ul>	<b>Annie Maxfield, M.S.</b> <i>Director of Graduate Career and Professional Development, Texas Career Engagement, University of Texas at Austin</i>
	<b>Session 1: Pitch Yourself Workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How to create 3 minute pitches for recruiters</li> </ul>	<b>Melissa Bostrom, Ph.D.</b> <i>Assistant Dean for Graduate Student Professional Development, Duke University</i>
12:20-1:20pm (Break)	Lunch Break	



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1:30-2:30pm (Concurrent)	<b>Session 2: CV/Resume/LinkedIn Workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Get your specific questions answered with one-on-one appointments (pre-registration required)</li> </ul>	<b>Annie Maxfield, M.S.</b> <i>Director of Graduate Career and Professional Development, Texas Career Engagement, University of Texas at Austin</i> <b>Lauren A. Easterling, MDIV, Ph.D.</b> <i>Assistant Professor of Clinical Anatomy, Cell Biology &amp; Physiology, Director of Trainee Services, Graduate Division, Indiana University School of Medicine</i> <b>Karin Lawton-Dunn, M.S.</b> <i>Senior Career Services Specialist, Graduate and Postdoc Career Office, Iowa State University</i> <b>Melanie Sinche, M.Ed.</b> <i>Director of Career and Professional Development, Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs, University of Virginia</i> <b>Marcos Rivera, M.A.</b> <i>Assistant Director for Alumni Career Engagement, CWRU Career Center</i>
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3:50-4:20pm	<b>Institutional Resources Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learn about the professional development resources available at CWRU, Cleveland Clinic, and CSU</li> </ul>	<b>Tessianna Misko, Ph.D.</b> <i>Program Manager of Training and Educational Opportunities, Graduate Education Office, CWRU School of Medicine</i> <b>Rachel Begley, B.A.</b> <i>Director, Graduate Students and Postdocs Professional Development Center, CWRU School of Graduate Studies</i> <b>Jason Ross, Ph.D.</b> <i>Manager, Graduate Programs &amp; Molecular Medicine Program, Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute Research Education &amp; Training Center</i> <b>Kyle Reynolds, M.Ed.</b> <i>Graduate Student Success Coordinator, College of Graduate Studies, Cleveland State University</i>



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11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Your Personal Career</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determining Core Values</li> <li>• Developing an IDP</li> <li>• Establishing Work/Life Balance</li> </ul>	<b>Melanie Sinche, M.Ed.</b> <i>Director of Career and Professional Development, Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs, University of Virginia</i>
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12:20-1:20pm	<b>Networking from a DEI Perspective</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to approach networking as a member of an underrepresented group in your field of interest</li> </ul>	<b>Donna Dopwell, Ph.D.</b> <i>Assistant Professor and Director of Social Work, Tennessee State University</i> <b>Lauren A. Easterling, MDIV, Ph.D.</b> <i>Assistant Professor of Clinical Anatomy, Cell Biology &amp; Physiology, Director of Trainee Services, Graduate Division, Indiana University School of Medicine</i>
1:30-2:30pm (Concurrent)	<b>Communication: Scientific Writing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to write competitive major cross-institutional grant applications</li> </ul>	<b>Juliann Reineke, Ph.D.</b> <i>Senior Scientific Writing Consultant, Strategic Partnership and Research Collaborative (SPARC), CWRU Office of Research Administration</i>
	<b>Communication: Across Disciplines</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to convey your work to other science/non-science disciplines</li> </ul>	<b>Arnab China, Ph.D.</b> <i>Senior Scientist, Charisma Therapeutics Cleveland Clinic Postdoc Alumnus</i>
	<b>Communication: Mentors and Mentees</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building effective communication between mentors and mentees</li> </ul>	<b>Annie Maxfield, M.S.</b> <i>Director of Graduate Career and Professional Development, Texas Career Engagement, University of Texas at Austin</i>
2:40-3:40pm (Concurrent)	<b>Immigration Services + Q/A</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navigating Visas</li> <li>• Transitioning from student to employee</li> <li>• How to apply to jobs</li> </ul>	<b>Stacy Cozart, J.D.</b> <i>Partner, MJB Immigration Adjunct Professor, CWRU School of Law</i>
	<b>Financial Services + Q/A</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retirement Planning</li> <li>• Financial Responsibility</li> <li>• Basics of Investing</li> </ul>	<b>Corina Wack, Ph.D.</b> <i>Financial Services Professional, NYLIFE Securities LLC</i>