



The Graduate School



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Welcome to the monthly newsletter focusing on professional and career development for ODU graduate students. This newsletter is brought to you by [ODU Career Pathways](#), a university-wide career and professional development program for graduate students and post-doctoral scholars.

About Career Pathways

ODU is committed to supporting graduate student success by providing career and professional development programs to bridge graduate school and career success. The Career Pathways program provides resources, programs, events, and planning tools to help graduate students transition into thriving careers upon completion of their graduate degree programs. Career Pathways is free and is available to all ODU graduate students and post-doctoral scholars.

Career Pathways offers two Certificates:

- [Preparing Future Faculty \(PFF\) Certificate](#) – designed for graduate students interested in an academic career. [More info.](#)
- [Preparing Future Professionals \(PFP\) Certificate](#) – designed for graduate students interested in a non-academic career such as in industry, non-profit/non-governmental organizations, or government agencies. [More info.](#)

Watch a [short overview video](#) about Career Pathways.

Career Pathways Events and Related Programming

- [Introduction to the CV Workshop](#) on October 20th from noon-1pm on the Graduate School Multipurpose Room (Monarch Hall 2100) and via [Zoom](#). Learn about why you need a CV, create your CV using the workshop template, and develop a plan for how to fill in gaps in your CV. This workshop is targeted at early PhD students (1st and 2nd years).
- [Nonprofit Leadership Career Luncheon](#) on October 25th from noon-1pm (in-person lunch and via Zoom). Two nonprofit leaders share their experience and answer questions about careers in nonprofit organizations. [Registration](#) required.
- [Networking Basics for Graduate Students workshop](#) addresses how to network effectively and allows you to develop and practice your networking pitch. November 15th from noon-1pm in Learning Commons LC1310-1311. [Registration](#) required.
- Keep an eye out for an email inviting you to participate in survey on graduate students' career and professional development needs. Make sure your voice is heard!

Resources

- The Career Pathways [Publishing Academy](#) offers a two-part workshop focusing on the submission, review, acceptance, and scholarly communication of your research. Part I covers the Author and Journal Editors Perspective ([video](#)) and Part II covers Article Acceptance and Beyond ([video](#)).
- Preparing for the academic job market? Check out Career Pathways [resources](#) for the academic job market.
- Have a CV? Want to get feedback on your CV? [Submit your CV](#) to receive feedback from a faculty member.
- The [ODU Career Pathways events repository](#) has videos of more than 40 professional development events. Login using your MIDAS ID.
- The [ODU Career Pathways YouTube channel](#) offers playlists including Grant Writing, Teaching, Research, Strategies for Success, Work-life Balance, Career Planning, and many others.

Career Exploration

- Want to explore more career opportunities in government? Check out the [Career Exploration Roundtable: Careers in Federal Agencies](#) ([video](#)) and two panels exploring [Careers in Local Government](#) ([video 1](#) and [video 2](#)).
- Have you considered how your graduate degree can be useful in pursuing entrepreneurial opportunities? In this [video](#) panelists discuss their career paths as entrepreneurs and how they leveraged their graduate education in innovative and entrepreneurial ways.

Take one professional or career development step today!

Don't wait. There are simple and easy activities you can take today to be one step closer to career and professional readiness.

- Conduct an informational interview with a professional whose job or career you aspire to. Learn more about the basics of informational interviewing in this [video](#).
- Interested in an academic career? Review [Certificate](#) requirements.
- Interested in careers in business, governments, nonprofits, or others? Review the [Certificate](#) requirements.
- Sign up to receive Career Pathways emails – Keep up-to-date with Career Pathways events and happenings. [Sign up](#) for the e-mail list.

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