

February 9 2024

	February 9, 2024	
9:30am - 5:00pm	Registration and Check-In	Hallway
10:00am - 10:10am	 Introduction & Opening Remarks (10 minutes) Oyinade Adefuye, PMP, Director of Portfolio & Program Management, bluebird bio Natalie Bell, PhD Candidate, Biomedical Engineering, UT Southwestern Medical Center Drew Sturtevant, PhD, Scientist, CAGE Bio 	Main Room EA1.116 - EA1.120
10:15am - 10:55am	Imposter Syndrome: Trusting Your Skill Set (40 minutes) Do you ever feel like you don't belong in your current job, doubting your skills and accomplishments? You might be experiencing imposter syndrome, a common phenomenon that affects many professionals. Join us for this workshop and take the first step towards recognizing your true value and making your mark in your career. Don't let self-doubt limit your success; you have what it takes to thrive! • Walter Akers, DVM, PhD, Associate Professor and Research Director, UT Southwestern Medical Center • Thomas Kiselak, PhD, JD, Associate, Patterson + Sheridan	Main Room EA1.116 - EA1.120
11:00am - 11:40am	Mastering the Interview: Tips and Tricks for Success (40 minutes) Are you preparing for an important interview and seeking to outshine the competition? Join us to get the knowledge and skills needed to excel in interviews and leave a lasting, positive impression on potential employers. Whether you're a recent graduate, a seasoned professional, or transitioning to a new career, these tips and tricks will help you stand out and secure the job you desire. • Cyonna Holmes, PhD, Global Business Strategy Leader - Ophthalmology, Rare Diseases & RNA, Celanese • Stefan Werdegar, Director of Business Development, Talent & Leadership Consulting, Taylor Strategy Partners	Main Room EA1.116 - EA1.120
11:45am - 12:25pm	Concurrent Sessions (40 minutes)	
	Session 1: Mastering the Art of Networking Join us for an engaging session, where we'll unravel the secrets to building meaningful professional connections. In an era where networking plays a pivotal role in personal and career growth, this session offers practical insights and actionable strategies to elevate your networking skills. • Natalie Bell, PhD Candidate, Biomedical Engineering, UT Southwestern Medical Center • Cyonna Holmes, PhD, Global Business Strategy Leader - Ophthalmology, Rare Diseases & RNA, Celanese	Main Room EA1.116 - EA1.120
	Session 2: Unlocking Opportunities: Finding Life Science Jobs as an International Student Are you an international student with a passion for life sciences and a dream to launch your career in this dynamic field? Join us for an empowering session that will provide you with the knowledge, strategies, and resources to successfully find life science jobs in a foreign land. Sama Sayej, JD, Associate, Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, LLP Kristi Taylor, JD, Partner, Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, LLP	Bio Design Lab EA1.410
	Session 3: Personalized One-on-One Resume Review: Elevate Your Professional Profile (EXCLUSIVE SESSION) Are you seeking individualized guidance to refine your resume and make it stand out to potential employers? Join us for a one-on-one resume review session, where you'll receive expert feedback and tips to help you showcase your skills and experiences effectively. Don't miss this personalized opportunity to elevate your resume to the next level. Join us and take the first step toward career success!	
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Lunch & Networking Break (1 hour)	Main Room EA1.116 - EA1.120
1:35pm - 2:15pm	Unlocking Your LinkedIn Potential: Building Your Presence and Job Search Strategies (40 minutes) Are you looking to kickstart your job search and elevate your professional presence on LinkedIn? Join us for an informative event that will equip you with the skills and strategies to build a robust LinkedIn profile and effectively search for job opportunities. • Aaron BenComo, MD, Director of Business Development & Industry Liaison, BioNTX • Andrew Dickhaut, Director of Life Sciences, Catapult Solutions Group • Drew Sturtevant, PhD, Scientist, CAGE Bio	
2:20pm - 3:00pm	Concurrent Session (40 minutes)	30
	Session 1: Launching Your Career: Finding a Life Science Internship This session is your compass for launching a successful career in life sciences through a strategic internship that aligns with your dreams and understand how internships can lead to long-term career opportunities in the life science industry. Join us for a motivating session that will guide you on the path to securing a life science internship that aligns with your ambitions and launches your professional journey. Natalie Bell, PhD Candidate, Biomedical Engineering, UT Southwestern Medical Center (moderator) Pegah Askari, PhD Candidate, UT Southwestern Medical Center Cynthia Co, PhD Candidate, UT Southwestern Medical Center	Main Room EA1.116 - EA1.120
	Session 2: The State of Life Science Industry Careers and Salaries Across the Nation	
	Join us for an empowering session on life science industry careers and take the first steps toward a rewarding	Bio Design Lab

career in the dynamic world of life sciences. Whether you're a student, job seeker, or professional, gain valuable

insights to make informed decisions about your career path and potential earnings. Jeff Autenrieth, Talent Partner of Life Sciences, Catapult Solutions Group
 Chris Lester, Chief Sales Officer, Catapult Solutions Group

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3:05pm - 3:45pm

Crafting Resumes with ChatGPT and Transitioning it to a CV (40 minutes)

Are you looking to enhance your professional document creation skills and transition from a resume to a curriculum vitae (CV)? Join us for an empowering session that will guide you through the process of creating impactful resumes using ChatGPT and transforming them into comprehensive CVs for academic or international job opportunities.

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• Pamela Dannheim, Corporate Trainer, Catapult Solutions Group

3:50pm - 5:00pm

Employer Meet & Greet: Connecting Talent with Opportunities (1 hour and 10 minutes)

This Life Science Employer Meet & Greet event is your gateway to exploring career opportunities, building valuable connections, and gaining insights into the dynamic and ever-evolving life science industry. Don't miss this unique chance to connect with potential employers and take your career to new heights. Join us and open doors to exciting possibilities in the world of life sciences!

Hallway

5:00pm

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