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**AGENDA** 

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### Breakout Session 1 - 1:00-1:50 pm

The Academic Job Search

Angela Miller, PhD

HUB VIP 1

Thinking of applying to faculty jobs in the academy? This presentation is an overview of the academic job search process from when and how to apply to receiving and negotiating an offer. Elements of the process that will be addressed include: when and where to look for academic jobs, what kinds of jobs are available in the academy, what materials go in an application, who is the search committee and what is their role in the process, and what to do and look for at an interview.

Let's Not Be Creepy - The Art of Conference Networking Supriya Baily, PhD HUB VIP 2

How often do people tell you to network at a conference? What does that mean? Stalk someone at a reception? Get tongue-tied in the elevator when your academic idol enters? Ask a babbling question at a huge plenary session, and realize you are perspiring down your entire back? Of course not! The art of conference networking begins before you even get to the conference, continues at the super not-so secret tequila party, and ends when you are home reflecting on your experience. Conferences use a lot of resources —learn how to make the most of the experience.

#### **Exploring Education Jobs in Government**

Spiros Protopsaltis, PhD HUB VIP 5

This presentation will provide an overview of the various education-related job opportunities in the public sector, with a focus on jobs that involve designing, advancing, implementing and evaluating education policies, at the federal, state, and local levels, as well as in both the executive and legislative branches. Tips, insights and suggestions for exploring government jobs and navigating the process will be offered.

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### Breakout Session 2 - 2:00-2:50 pm

**Zotero for the Graduate Student**Christopher Magee

HUB VIP 1

Zotero is a Citation Management Software tool that can ease the burden of managing and referring back to sources encountered in one's academic program. It can also assist with the often-despised, but very real need, to cite one's work. It is a tool every student of a Masters or PhD program should be using, and this session will show you how to use it effectively and efficiently. Please bring a laptop to make the most of this session.

#### **Conquering the 'Challenge' of Portfolios**

Beverly Shaklee, PhD HUB VIP 2

The portfolio process in CEHD can seem like a time and management challenge as you begin your program. The good news is that it is neither. It is an opportunity for your to build your knowledge and expertise through critical reflective practice. Supported by your Advisory Phase Committee – the only thing you have to do is get started! Come and find out how to implement your plan for successful portfolio reviews.

#### **Writing Grants**

Margaret King-Sears, PhD HUB VIP 5

Whether writing a 4-page grant for a thousand dollars or a 25-page research grant for a million dollars, basic actions are involved. During this session, information about determining grant sources, deciding when a grant matches you, and deciphering what's involved in writing the grant are described. Common elements of grants are identified, with emphasis on persuasive writing, which differs from scholarly writing. Participants leave this session knowing more about what grants are, what it takes to write a grant, and what grant reviewers are seeking when evaluating grants.

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### Breakout Session 3 - 3:00-3:50 pm

Finding and Fetching Funding and Fellowships

Margret Hjalmarson, PhD

HUB VIP 1

Funding only comes to those who apply for it! This session will describe the process of seeking and applying for funding to support your work and research as a doctoral student. Topics will include writing a proposal, identifying funding sources and matching funding to your professional goals.

#### **Navigating the IRB Process**

Boshra Zawawi HUB VIP 2

Let's face it, the IRB process can be frustrating and time-consuming, especially for first-time applicants. What language should you use to describe your research and how much information should you provide? How long will the IRB process take and what to expect? Join us for this interactive workshop to learn applied techniques on how to receive the IRB approval. Attend this workshop for insights on why is the IRB process important, how to set up and navigate your IRBNet account, and how to identify key information and techniques to complete the IRB form.

#### 10(ish) Steps to Academic Publishing

The Journal of Mason Graduate Research HUB VIP 5

Publishing isn't just necessary for PhD students who want to become faculty; publishing your research in academic journals is an excellent way for future practitioners to share knowledge, improve communication skills, and demonstrate expertise. In this presentation, the Editors of the Journal of Mason Graduate Research, Jennifer Lebrón, Gia Cromer, John Dooris, and Shelby Kruczek will help you identify appropriate journals for your work, understand the steps involved in peer review and editing, and share tips and tricks to navigate the academic journal world. You will also learn how volunteering with JMGR can help build your academic-publishing confidence so that you can hit submit on your next manuscript.