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Webinars | Job Search Strategies | Interviews with PhDs

## **Beyond the Professoriate Workshop, March 16**

**Aurora by Beyond the Professoriate -- Interactive Workshop  
3 Mistakes PhDs Make in Their Nonacademic Job Search  
March 16th 2021 | Noon ET**

Beyond the Professoriate's research shows that PhDs approach their job search without a plan. This haphazard approach to job searching leads to frustration and failure. But there is a plan that you can follow to help you maximize your success of landing a job that will use your education and be intellectually engaging and rewarding! Join Beyond the Professoriate founder Dr. L. Maren Wood for this live, interactive workshop. She'll share with you the 3 most common mistakes PhDs make in their job search, how you can avoid them, and how the resources and programming in Aurora can help you succeed in launching a meaningful career.

After attending this webinar, you will be able to:

- Identify common mistakes PhDs make when applying for non-academic jobs
- Apply proven strategies so that you can avoid making these mistakes
- Recognize the most critical piece of a non-academic job search.

The webinar is LIVE ONLY and will be held via Zoom webinar. Advanced registration is required.

Once you are logged into your Aurora account, [click here to register.](#)

[Click here for information about creating an Aurora account.](#)

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# GradTeach LIVE!

## 2021 GradTeach Live! Virtual Showcase

4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14th, 2021

[GradTeach Live!](#) (GTL) offers graduate teaching assistants the opportunity to showcase their teaching philosophy and instructional skills to the university community in a concise and engaging three-minute presentation. Our 2021 Live Virtual Showcase will include a keynote by Professor Kevin Gannon, author of [Radical Hope: A Teaching Manifesto](#) (West Virginia University Press, 2020). An activist, teacher, and public intellectual, Gannon writes for the Chronicle of Higher Education and speaks on the themes of social justice and teaching as a “radical act of hope.”

Gannon’s keynote is co-sponsored by [The Graduate School](#) and [Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching](#). Following the keynote, [GradTeach Live!](#) participants with the top submissions will present live, and then we will hold people’s choice voting, followed by the announcement of our winners.

The Graduate School will hold a virtual workshop from **4 p.m.-5:15 p.m. EST on Tuesday, March 16th** for all who registered their intent to participate in GTL. The workshop will be held via Zoom (the link will be sent to registered participants).

The deadline for submitting your GTL entry submission (video and slide) will be no later than 8 a.m. EST on **Monday, March 29th, 2021**.

Save the dates today, and watch our [GradTeach Live! website](#) for more information.

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## Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowships

The Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad (DDRA) Fellowship Program provides opportunities for doctoral candidates to engage in full-time dissertation research abroad in modern foreign languages and area studies. The program is designed to deepen research knowledge and increase the study of modern foreign languages, cultural engagement, and area studies not generally included in U.S. curricula.

The internal submission deadline for the DDRA Fellowship Program is **Thursday, March 18 at 12:00 p.m. EST**.

For more information on these fellowships, including who is eligible and how to apply, visit the [Graduate School website](#).

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## Discussion with the Authors of THE NEW PHD, March 23

Tuesday, March 23  
12:00 p.m. via Zoom

Join the Graduate School’s Office of Graduate Student Professional Enhancement (GSPE) for a lunch-and-learn conversation with Dr. Leonard

Cassuto and Dr. Robert Weisbuch, co-authors of *The New PhD: How to Build a Better Graduate Education* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2021).

[Click here to register.](#)

UK Libraries has arranged for the UK community to have digital access to The New PhD. The direct link is here:

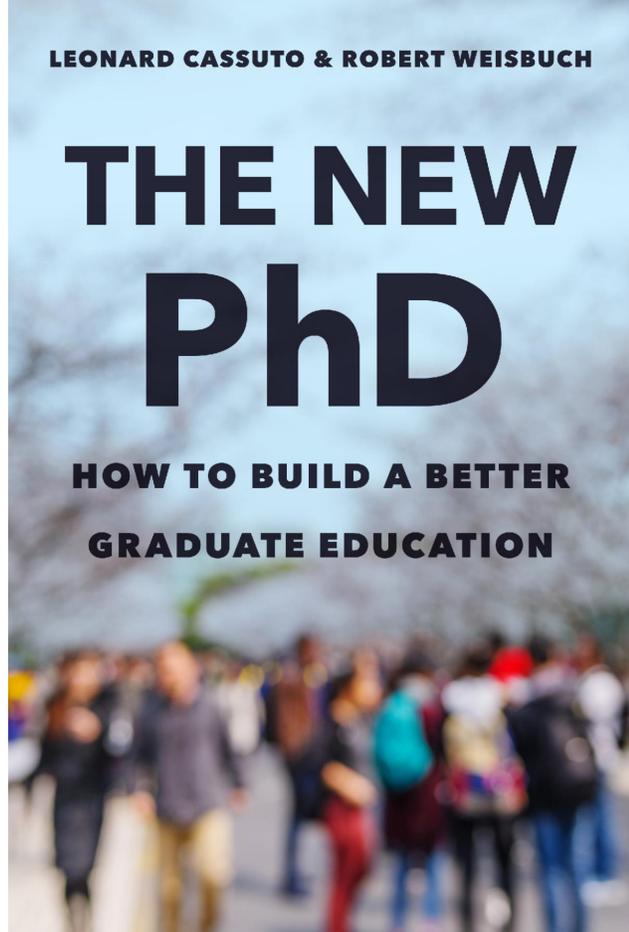
<https://muse-jhu-edu.ezproxy.uky.edu/book/81097>

Questions for the authors are welcome in advance (registrants should watch for a Qualtrics link) and during the Q&A.

LEONARD CASSUTO & ROBERT WEISBUCH

# THE NEW PhD

HOW TO BUILD A BETTER  
GRADUATE EDUCATION



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## Nietzel Visiting Distinguished Faculty Colloquium: "Interdisciplinary Conversation on Anticarceral Feminism"

**Speaker:** Dr. Emily Thurma

**Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 3:30pm via Zoom**

**Register via Zoom at:** [https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_s-fdmALzQ3SkLM4BuZt1A](https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_s-fdmALzQ3SkLM4BuZt1A)

The Department of Gender and Women's Studies invites you to an exciting conversation with Dr. Emily Thuma, author of *All Our Trials: Prisons, Policing, and the Feminist Fight to End Violence* (University of Illinois Press, 2019) and Assistant Professor of U.S. Politics and Law at The University of Washington, Tacoma. Dr. Lydia Pelot-Hobbs, Assistant Professor of Geography and African American & Africana Studies at University of Kentucky and Dr. Ashley Ruderman-Looff, from the Department of Crime and Justice at U-Mass Dartmouth and an alumna of the University of Kentucky GWS PhD program, will join Dr. Thuma in conversation about the history of anticarceral feminism. They will examine its intersectional emergence from movements for racial and economic justice, prisoners' and psychiatric patients' rights, and gender and sexual liberation. This timely conversation is made possible with funds from the Graduate School.

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## Office of Postdoctoral Research at The Ohio State University College of Medicine to Hold Virtual Recruitment Event for Prospective Postdocs

The Office of Postdoctoral Research at The Ohio State University College of Medicine is excited to announce a Virtual 2021 Spring Postdoctoral Recruitment Event on April 26! Interviews will occur April 27-30.

This event will provide an excellent opportunity for outstanding postdocs and PhD students from leading graduate programs to meet our research faculty, interview for open

postdoctoral positions, and discover the exciting and innovative research taking place at The Ohio State University and the Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH).

Application for this event is open to postdocs or senior graduate students who have completed or expect to complete their PhD by August 2021.

Any candidate in the US (visa status does not matter) can apply. We are especially interested in reviewing applications from US Citizens and permanent residents who are training grant-eligible. Individuals from groups underrepresented in the biomedical workforce are strongly encouraged to apply, including students from racial and ethnic groups shown to be underrepresented nationally and individuals with disabilities. Selected candidates will be invited to attend a virtual event. Participants will learn more about the Ohio State campus and Columbus, Ohio, network with current Ohio State and NCH postdocs, present their research to faculty in a virtual presentation, interview with prospective mentors, and learn more about postdoctoral opportunities at Ohio State and Nationwide Children's Hospital.

Candidates selected to attend the virtual 2021 Spring Postdoctoral Recruitment Event may be considered for a variety of opportunities at Ohio State, including fellowships, training grants, and other internal training programs.

To apply, candidates will need to submit their application by **March 30, 2021**. [Click here to apply.](#)

Please review the [Application Procedure](#) to ensure you have everything you need to apply.

[Click here for a list of faculty members seeking applicants.](#)

Completed applications will be reviewed by a selection committee, and notification of acceptance will be sent via email.

Please contact the Office of Postdoctoral Research at The Ohio State University at [postdoc.office@osumc.edu](mailto:postdoc.office@osumc.edu) with any questions.

## Other Reminders

[2021 Summer and 2021 Fall Registration Windows](#)



## UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY GRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

### News from The Graduate Student Congress

#### Robert E. Hemenway Writing Center Services Available to Graduate Students

**Director:** Judith Gatton Prats ([judithgprats@uky.edu](mailto:judithgprats@uky.edu))

**Dates:** January 25 – May 7

**Hours:** Monday-Thursday 10am-9pm & Friday 10am-3pm

**REMOTE ONLY**

The Writing Center offers free and friendly help to all UK students (graduate and undergraduate), faculty, and staff. The Writing Center assists with writing assignments across the curriculum, offering advice on academic, creative, and professional projects.

The Writing Center can help clients:

- begin, develop, and/or review their projects
- fulfill assignment requirements
- communicate effectively in specific disciplines
- document sources fairly and correctly
- learn and practice academic standards of edited written English
- develop and polish their writing style

The Writing Center is committed to helping clients learn editing and proofreading strategies, as well as documentation skills. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the UK Writing Center offers virtual appointments (E-tutoring or Online Synchronous) for Spring 2021.

*Check out the Writing Center's [website](#) for more information!*

## **GSC Awards Cycle 5 Opens on 03/10**

**Deadline:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. EST  
**Awards Committee Chair:** Lan Jiang ([lan.jiang@uky.edu](mailto:lan.jiang@uky.edu))

Awards Available During Cycle 5:

- 7 Conference Awards (\$500 each)
- 2 Research Awards (\$500 each)
- 1 Professional Development Award (\$250 each)

The Graduate Student Congress (GSC) provides awards to University of Kentucky graduate and professional students to attend conferences, conduct research, engage in professional development, and purchase or rent graduation regalia. We do not place specific restrictions on the types of research, conferences, or professional development that we will fund. Successful applicants should be able to make a strong case for how their proposed research, conference, or professional development will contribute to their personal and professional growth. Due to the competitive nature of the awards, and our desire to fund as many students as possible, applicants are only eligible for funding once for each type of award per academic year.

*See the GSC's [website](#) for more information and links to each application!*

## **“Civic Engagement Saturdays” with KS Rep. Stephanie Byers on 03/13**

**Invited Guest:** KS Representative Stephanie Byers

**Moderator:** David Pool

**Date:** Saturday, March 13, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. EST via Zoom webinar

**Registration Form:** <https://forms.gle/gkKUCDDXomJPcc4w7>

The Graduate Student Congress (GSC) at the University of Kentucky (UK) invites all undergraduate students, graduate students, professional students, and postdoctoral scholars to attend the next “Civic Engagement Saturdays” conversation. The purpose of “Civic Engagement Saturdays” is to provide an opportunity for diverse politicians and activists to speak with members of the UK community about recognizing yourself in politics, how to get involved in politics, and effecting change in your community(ies). The sixth “Civic Engagement Saturdays” conversation will be with Kansas Representative Stephanie Byers, the first openly transgender elected official in Kansas, and the first transgender Native American (Chickasaw Nation) elected official in the United States. The moderator will be David Pool, an undergraduate student leader pursuing his B.A. in Political Science at UK, with a minor in Economics.

*Check out the GSC's [website](#) for more information!*

## GSC Budget Conference (03/15 - 03/16)

**Committee:** Appropriations & Revenue

**Chair:** Shaila Zaman, Treasurer

**Dates:** Monday, March 15, 2021 & Tuesday, March 16, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. EST

**Proposal Submission Deadline:** Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. EST

**Submission Form:** <https://forms.gle/7fqzVdDZqgDXkEDe6>

Every Spring, the Graduate Student Congress (GSC) Appropriations & Revenue (A&R) Committee is tasked with creating a budget for the following academic year. As part of this process, all GSC Committee Chairs are required to submit a budget report for the current academic year, and a budget proposal for the next academic year. Other GSC members, including the leadership team, Representatives, and constituents, are also invited to submit budget proposals for the next academic year. Let us know if you have an idea for a new GSC initiative, program, or event! At the budget conference, submitters will have the opportunity to justify their proposals. After the budget conference, the A&R Committee will reconvene to finalize the proposed budget so it can be submitted for approval by the entire GSC Congressional Body at the April General Assembly meeting as a regular by-law.

*Check out the GSC's [website](#) for more information!*

## GSC 2021 – 2022 Executive Board Nominations Open Until 03/25

**Election Chair:** Lauren Fann, Vice President

**Nominations Open:** Thursday, March 4, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. EST

**Nominations Close:** Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. EST

**Email Letter of Intent to:** [gsc@uky.edu](mailto:gsc@uky.edu)

Every year, the entire Graduate Student Congress (GSC) Congressional body elects the next year's Executive Board at the April General Assembly Meeting. Per the [GSC Constitution and By-Laws](#), nominees for the Executive Board must be enrolled in graduate or professional studies or be a postdoctoral scholar at the University of Kentucky (UK) during the duration of their term and be in good academic standing. Nominees for President must have been involved with the GSC for at least six (6) months prior to the election in April. Self- and other-nominations are permitted. For self-nominations, interested individuals should submit a letter of intent to the GSC President. For other-nominations, send an email to the GSC President with the name and contact information of the person you are nominating, along with the title of the Executive Board position and a justification for their nomination. The GSC President will contact the nominated individual to ask if they would like to accept or decline their nomination. If the nominated individual accepts, then they will be asked to submit a letter of intent to the GSC President. If the nominated individual declines, then their name will be removed from consideration. At the April General Assembly meeting, nominees will confirm their nomination and be given the chance to speak as an eligible candidate. If a nominee wishes to be considered for the Executive Board, but cannot be present, the nominee's letter of intent can be read aloud instead, or the nominee can pre-record a short video statement.

*See the GSC's [website](#) for a more information about each Executive Board position!*

## Upcoming Spring Semester Events

### March

03/13: "Civic Engagement Saturdays" with Kansas Representative Stephani Byers

03/15 - 03/19: Budget Conference

03/25: "Networking Hangout"

TBD: Celebrating Diversity Month

### April

04/01: General Assembly Meeting (Executive Board Elections, Budget Proposal)  
04/05 - 04/09: NAGPS Midwestern Regional Conference  
04/06 - 04/10: National Graduate Student Appreciation Week  
04/10 - 04/13: Legislative Advocacy Days  
TBD: "Civic Engagement Saturdays"  
TBD: DGS Luncheon  
04/26 - 04/30: UK Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week

**May**

05/06: General Assembly Meeting (Executive Board Transitions)  
TBD: End-of-the-Year Gala  
TBD: Meeting with the President  
TBD: Graduation Celebration

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