LEADERS FOR THE FUTURE

INFORMATION SESSION

Tuesday, April 16, 2019
Noon – 1:00 p.m.
1302 Gallagher Hall – Dorf Classroom
Welcome / Agenda

- What is Leaders for the Future?
  - Program Background / Funding
  - Program Overview, Benefits and Eligibility
- Program Activities and Completion Requirements
- Application and Selection Process
- Questions and Answers
Leaders for the Future is a cross-campus collaboration between the **Internship and Career Center, GradPathways (Graduate Studies)** and the **Mike and Renee Child Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship**.
Program Leads and Implementation Team

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Why offer this program?

- Need for leadership and business skills training to complement scholarship for careers both inside and outside of the academy
- Increase in graduate students and postdoctoral scholars seeking career paths outside of academia
- Fewer than 17% of new STEM PhDs find a tenure-track position within three years of graduation
- Fewer than 60% of Humanities and Social Sciences PhDs find tenure-track positions

National Science Foundation, 2012
MLA Study of occupations in 2013
What is Leaders for the Future?

- Nine-month certificate program for PhD candidates and postdoctoral scholars from all disciplines—including the humanities, social sciences and STEM.

September 2019 - May 2020

- Opportunity for PhD candidates and postdocs to participate in an immersive experience and receive training designed to develop the leadership, business communication, project management, innovation and entrepreneurship skills.
Program Benefits

• Explore career opportunities through immersives off-campus and outside of academia (internships, job shadowing, short projects, etc.)

• Certificate of completion

• Capstone certificate (upon acceptance for an of immersive experience)

• Additional benefits:
  • Supplement your academic accomplishments with innovation, communication and business skills – *differentiate yourself!*
  • Gather with cohort of PhDs and postdocs across disciplines
  • Cultivate your network of mentors and potential colleagues
  • Free StrengthsFinder Assessment
  • Automatic acceptance and scholarship ($250 value) to Entrepreneurship Academy
Program Eligibility

- Must be a **Graduate Student** on active student status (not on filing fee status or PELP) with priority given to those who have completed qualifying exams by program start (September 2019)

  **OR**

- Must be a **Postdoctoral Scholar** whose appointment extends through the program
## Required Program Activities

### RECEPTION
**Weds., June 5, 2019 (5:30-7)**

### OPENING GEAR UP
**Friday, September 27, 2019 (9-5)**
- Networking, LinkedIn and informational interviews
- Career exploration opportunities
- Resumes
- Interviews
- Individual Development Plans

### WORKSHOPS (5)
**September 2019 - May 2020**
- Nexus Work (Building Networks) **October 30**
- Panel Discussion: Making the Leap - **January 15**
- Fellow’s Meeting / Pitching Like a Pro - **early March TBA**
- Business Writing and Presentations - **March 18**
- Communicating Impact - **April 1**

### CLOSING RECEPTION & FINAL PRESENTATIONS
**Friday, May 15, 2020 (9-5)**
- Reflections and Project Overview
- Interviewing Skills
- Consulting Skills
- Career Exploration and Social Networks
- Final Presentations to friends, family and program alumni

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*Entrepreneurship Academy (choose one):*
- BMEA - July 15-17; UCEA – September 10-12

*Attendance at a Career Fair:* Five options available throughout 2019-20

*Immersive participation may be during or after completion of these program activities*
Career Fairs – choose one

Fall Internship and Career Fair
October 16, 2019 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. • ARC Pavilion

Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Scholars Internship and Career Fair
October 16, 2019 • 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. • ARC Upper Pavilion

Fall Internship and Career Fair – STEM
October 17, 2019 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. • ARC Pavilion

Engineering and Tech Internship and Career Fair
January 29, 2020 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. • ARC Pavilion

Winter Internship and Career Fair
February 26, 2020 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. • ARC Pavilion
Optional (Recommended) Career Studios

Career Studio 1: Resumes and Career Fair Preparation
Tuesday, October 1, 2019, 5 – 7 p.m.

Career Studio 2: Interviewing – Mock Interviews
Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019, noon – 2 p.m.

Career Studio 3: Topic TBD by Fellows
Wednesday, February 5, 2020, noon – 2 p.m.

Career Studio 4: Topic TBD by Fellows
Wednesday, March 11, 2020, noon – 2 p.m.

Career Studio 5: Topic TBD by Fellows
Wednesday, April 22, 2020, noon – 2 p.m.
Program Completion Requirements

• Attend and participate in all events and activities
• Final Presentation (3-5 minute slide presentation)

Examples:
• Making the transition to industry or policy/regulatory work
• Pitching a business idea based on your research

• Immersive experience
Immersive Experience

- Career exploration opportunities in all types of companies from NGOs, biotechnology, government and more.
  - Job Shadowing
  - Short projects
  - Internships (3-6 months)
  - Job simulations, or series of activities approved by program

EXAMPLES:
- Allison Hsia (Grad Student) – Full-time internship, Genentech (Clinical Operations)
- Ivana Blazenovi (Postdoc) – Full-time internship, Agilent Technologies
- Lorie Srivastava (Postdoc) – Special Project, Low Carbon Prosperity Institute

- Facilitated placement in immersive experiences
- Option for transcript notation

- Google Life
- Policy Institute of California
- Genentech, South San Francisco
- Genentech, Vacaville
- California Department of Finance
- California Department of Social Services
- City of Davis
Application Process

1. Complete the Leaders for the Future Application Form, which includes demographic information, three short-answer essay questions, and an uploaded resume or CV.

2. Request major professor or principal investigator complete the Leaders for the Future Recommendation Form and upload a letter of recommendation.

DEADLINE: Wednesday, May 1st no later than 11:59 p.m.
Selection Process

Program participants will be selected based on:

• Alignment of applicant’s goals with the program objectives.

• Strength of letter of recommendation.

• Ability and commitment to fully participate in all aspects of the program.

As demonstrated on written application materials and at in-person group interviews for those selected.
Should you apply? Are you...

• Seeking additional skills and connections for diverse career paths?
• Wanting to gain entrepreneurial and business skills?
• Ready to differentiate yourself in any career path?
• Looking to expand your professional network?
• Seeking guidance and inspiration to clarify your career aspirations?
• Looking to explore a different vision of success?
All application materials due:

Wednesday, May 1st – 11:59 p.m. PST

For more information:
https://gsm.ucdavis.edu/program-detail/leaders-future

Questions?
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