10 WAYS TO USE PENN CAREER SERVICES FOR PHDS AND POSTDOCS

1. Activate your Handshake account and complete your “career interests” by clicking on your name in the top right of the page to receive customized information on programs/events that are tailored to your career goals.

2. Learn about some of the career paths followed by PhDs, and see whether these align with your skills, interests, and values with PhD Career Training Platform (all disciplines) and Imagine PhD (Humanities & Social Sciences).

3. Schedule a 30-minute, 1-on-1 advising appointment (virtual or in-person) through Handshake to discuss your future career goals and think about some helpful next steps with one of our Career Advisors.

4. Take advantage of LinkedIn Learning to update your technical and professional skills relevant to your future careers.

5. Follow and subscribe to the Career Services YouTube channel to view recorded workshops and get notified when new content is posted.

6. Learn about faculty careers by claiming your institutional account with the National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity.

7. Log in to the Career Services website with your PennKey and set up your industry preferences to get a weekly newsletter with jobs, events, and resources relevant to your job search.

8. Participate in our in-person or virtual events, including workshops and panels, career fairs, employer information sessions, coffee chats, and tech talks; you can search for these programs on Handshake.

9. Get feedback on your LinkedIn profile, and learn how to use this tool to engage with the >170,000 Penn alumni and current students who currently use LinkedIn.

10. Have quick career questions? Career Services holds Same Day Advising that can be scheduled day-of in Handshake.
CAREER SERVICES RESOURCES

**Handshake**
Penn's student/employer interface with access to events and appointments with career advisors

**Career Services Blog**
Learn about a wide range of career-related topics and make sure to catch the "CS Radio" podcast

**Career Services Website**
Find community and industry job search resources and log-in to receive a customized newsletter of opportunities

**PhD Career Training Platform**
Your complete resource for PhD professional and career development including interactive workbooks, interviews with PhDs in diverse career roles, and a comprehensive series of workshops covering all aspects of career exploration, networking, applying for faculty and expanded career roles, and more!

### CAREER EXPLORATION

**PhD Career Training Platform**
An eLearning platform with on demand, self-paced learning modules that allow PhDs and Postdocs to discover career options and methods to apply the skills acquired through their education

**Imagine PhD**
Developed specifically for humanities and social sciences PhDs, this free resource provides self-assessment tools to help you evaluate your skills, interests, and values, and compare these against a wide diversity of job families that value a PhD. You can use the individual development plan tool to identify key next steps as part of your academic/professional development.

**myIDP**
Developed specifically for STEM PhDs, this free resource provides self-assessment tools to help you evaluate your skills, interests, and values, and compare these against a wide diversity of careers that value a STEM PhD. You can use the individual development plan tool to identify key next steps as part of your academic and professional development.

**iBiology**
Successful scientists share their experiences in a variety of careers in education, industry, government, and more

**CareerExplorer**
A career matching platform that helps people explore their career options.

**ChemIDP**
A tool for chemists to explore career options and create a plan for professional and career development.

**Where Historians Work**
An interactive, online database that catalogues the career outcomes of the 8,523 historians who earned PhDs at US universities from 2004 and 2013.

**MLA Connected Academics**
Demonstrating how doctoral education can develop students’ capacities to bring their expertise in advanced humanistic study to a wide range of fulfilling, secure, and well-compensated professional situations.

**Vault Career Insider**
Vault.com provides in-depth intelligence on what it’s really like to work within an industry, company, or profession—and how to position yourself to launch and build the career you want.

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**Big Interview**
Complete engaging courses on resumes, interviewing, and negotiating, learn how to build effective STAR stories for your interviews, and practice and record mock interviews.

**National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity**
An independent professional development, training, and mentoring community for faculty members, postdocs, and graduate students.

**Carpe Careers blog**
Hosted on the Inside Higher Ed, read this weekly blog to learn about professional and career development for PhD students – written by career advisors from institutions across the US specifically for the PhD student/postdoc population

**LinkedIn Learning**
Click “Get Services” for an online training library that provides instructional videos covering a wide range of career and professional development topics, software products, technologies, and business topics.

**LinkedIn**
A database of >170,000 Penn alumni/students, filterable by discipline, skills, and searchable by keyword.

**CareerShift**
An excellent tool to identify contacts at different organizations, build lists of organizations in different fields, and search for jobs at companies of interest.

**Management Consulted**
A comprehensive resource on consulting and case interview prep, featuring cases, math drills, online video courses, and everything you need to know to ace your consulting interviews.