UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

The Researcher Development Pitch Competition

Information Event

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Do you have *an idea for professional development* that you think would benefit the postdoc community in Cambridge?

Can you *design a programme or tool that you think will help your fellow postdocs* to enhance their skills? Improve their wellbeing? Help them to be even more ready for their next career move?

Do you have a *creative way to broaden teaching, leadership, or collaboration opportunities* to include more postdocs?

The Pitch Competition

Great Ideas	Broad and Innovative
Fresh Ways	Tools, Programmes, Platforms

Considerations

- Possible themes
- Needs and priorities of the postdoc community
- Creative ways that ideas could be adapted, expanded, or renewed in order to make an impact on the postdoc community
- First and foremost about your ideas
- The professional services teams can help with the finer details

How does it work?

Ideate

Explore

Propose

Refine

Pitch

Try

Grow

Important Dates

21st January 2019	*Deadline for expressions of interest*
By 8 February 2019	*Shortlisted candidates will be invited to the Pitch Competition*
TBC February 2019	*Pitch Competition Event*

Expressions of Interest:

- **Pitch your idea, its potential impact, and any resources requirements**
- **Max 300 words**
- **Emailed to hollie.godden@admin.cam.ac.uk by 21 January 2019**

Researcher
Development
Programme

Strategic, Intentional Thinking
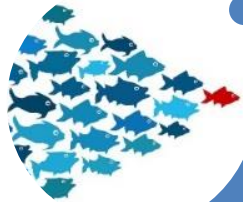
Map Your Postdoc Journey Now!

Research

Peer Review

Grants & Funding

Communicating Research

Writing

Research

Coaching & Mentoring

Self-leadership

Creativity

Resilience

Project & Time Management

Leading Others

Concise Guide to Leadership

Managing Up

Being Assertive

Leading

Difficult Conversations

Communicating

Action Learning

Workshops & Online Courses

Coaching & Mentoring

1:1s

Masterclasses & Panels

Researcher Development Hub

There are many different training providers across the University, and while this means that there are a wealth of personal development opportunities available to you, it can also make it quite confusing to find what you need!

The RDP has therefore collated all of this information into the Researcher Development Hub, with courses organised by application, as a resource to help postgraduate students and postdoctoral researchers find appropriate courses more easily. The colours relate to the CamRDF.

Your Department and School will also run subject-specific courses, and may even run bespoke versions of the courses below: check their programmes too!

Data and Reference Management	Literature and Libraries
Other Software and IT Skills	Statistics
Software for Writing and Graphics	Bioinformatics
Publishing Research	Programming
Careers	Foreign Languages
Enterprise and IP	English as a Foreign Language
Policy	Public Engagement

POSTDOC CAREERS SERVICE

What we do..

Info and role models on career options – academia and outside

Finding & applying for positions

Interviews prep & practice

Fellowships info and tips

Serve all depts, discipline themes

What we're good at

Pool resources and offer in depth conference style events

Fellowships: what you need to know 5th Dec

Record audio sessions, career stories, top tips and videos

Workshops: Experience and feedback to refine these

Run interactive workshops on career options; CVs + other application materials, fellowship proposals, interviews

Gather postdoc job market intelligence from former postdocs and employers incl academics

Write expert publications + web pages: CVs, interview questions, job market, funding

What's missing for you?

Ghina Halabi – She Speaks Science

Questions…