

# Graduate Student Resources



## Exploring Your Career Options:

### Step One: Know Yourself

#### Ask yourself:

- What are you good at doing? (skills)
- What do you like to do? (interests)
- What is important to you? (values)

#### Career Assessments give you language to articulate:

- Skills
- Interests
- Values

#### Recommended Assessments:

- Imagine PhD
- MyPhD
- Focus2Career
- Strong Interest Indicator
- StrengthsQuest

### Step Two: Skills Inventory

#### What skills do you have:

- What skills did you gain from your graduate studies?
- What are your transferable skills outside of your discipline-specific knowledge?

#### What skills do you need:

- What are the common skills needed in your interest area(s)?
  - » Look at a variety of job descriptions to get a scope of knowledge and transferable skills needed.
  - » Use LinkedIn to do a skills assessment on yourself.
    - Use alumni and your specific degree as filters to find job titles and skill lists.

## Career Planning:

### Imagine PhD

A career exploration and planning tool for the humanities and social sciences. [imaginephd.com](http://imaginephd.com)

- This resource assesses your career-related skills, interests, and values to explore careers appropriate to your discipline.
- The Job Families component of this site details out 16 job families that are relevant to the humanities and social sciences for PhD students to explore potential careers.

### My IDP

A career planning tool for PhD students and postdocs in STEM. [myidp.sciencecareers.org](http://myidp.sciencecareers.org)

- Assessments to examine your career skills, interests, and values that link to potential career paths.
- Includes a tool for setting career and professional development goals.

### Beyond the Professoriate

Resource to help PhDs leverage their education in meaningful careers.

Log-in using your Okey credentials here: [beyondprof.com](http://beyondprof.com).

- Resources include webinars, recorded career panels, and recorded interviews with over 150 PhD professionals with diversified career paths.

### Beyond Graduate School

Resource to help masters-level students leverage their education in meaningful careers.

Log-in using your Okey credentials here: [beyondgradschool.com](http://beyondgradschool.com).

- Resources include webinars, recorded career panels, and tools for setting career and professional development goals.

## Career Workshops and Events:

### 360 Critical Skills for Career Success Program:

- Multiple professional development workshops given each month in 6 skill areas.

### Career Power Hour Series:

- Monthly, 1-hour, industry career related seminars.

### Academic Job Market Summer Bootcamp:

- Focused 4 day workshop series given each summer to prepare students to enter the academic job market.

### 10+ Career Fairs hosted by OSU Career Services each academic year:

- Your job search strategy should include campus recruiting and the opportunities available from the OSU Hire System (job posting system on HireOSUgrads.com), campus career fairs, on-campus interviews, and connection sessions with company representatives.

## Meet 1:1 with a dedicated graduate-level Career Consultant:

*Brecca Farr*

- College of Education and Human Sciences  
– Make an appointment [here](#).

*Taylor Harbuck*

- Ferguson College of Agriculture  
– To make an appointment email [taylor.harbuck@okstate.edu](mailto:taylor.harbuck@okstate.edu).

*Victoria Teicheira*

- College of Arts and Sciences  
– Make an appointment [here](#).

*Sarah Chabinak & Kenneth Kerns*

- Spears School of Business, Watson Graduate School of Management  
– To make an appointment call (405) 744-2951

*Breanna Gallagher*

- OSU Career Services  
– Make an appointment [here](#).