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Career Chats Sessions

Attend the Career Chats sessions in Convention Center – Room 346/347 (3rd Floor) to meet professionals in the tropical medicine field who will share their career stories and strategies to help you along your professional path, as well as discuss topical subjects in the field of global health.

Career Chats (Zoom Call for attendees pre-registered for this session): Grants 101

Thursday, November 14, 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. U.S. Central Time Zone

The aim of this session is to empower and provide trainees with tips for successful grant writing. This session is tailored for early career researchers, mid-career professionals, and trainees eager to refine their grant writing skills. In this interactive and informative workshop, experienced grant writers and successful researchers will share their personal journeys through the grant writing process. Participants will gain valuable insights into crafting compelling proposals, understanding funding agency expectations, and avoiding common pitfalls. Special emphasis will be placed on the essential skills required for grant writing in the biomedical and global health fields, including how to articulate clear research aims, demonstrate the significance and innovation of your work, and develop a feasible, well-structured research plan. Whether you're applying for your first grant or seeking to enhance your grant writing proficiency, this session will equip you with practical tips and strategies to increase your chances of securing funding. Join us for an engaging discussion that will empower you to navigate the complexities of grant applications with confidence.

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Career Chats (In-Person Session): Navigating Career Paths in Global Health - Session 1

Friday, November 15, 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. U.S. Central Time Zone Convention Center – Room 346/347 (3rd Floor)

This session aims to introduce trainees to the diverse and breadth of opportunities from pursuing careers in global health through a panel discussion. The remarkable panelists are ASTMH members who have made accomplishes in scientific and clinical research globally, represent diverse fields within the global health sphere as well as championing tropical medicine both nationally and internationally. Panelists will share insights from their remarkable journeys in global health, discuss opportunities and challenges that come with working in global health (i.e., navigating career pathways, funding sources, overcoming obstacles, navigating academic, cultural, socio-economic factors etc), how they transitioned career pathways and discuss their institutional global health portfolio. This session will help in furthering trainees' progress and help increase the visibility of various pathways in global health, and how to navigate future career paths advancement at the global stage. Furthermore, trainees will gain advice from internationally renowned global health champions on their perspectives working on tropical medicine in various capacities around the world. Overall, it is a remarkable session that will provide trainees with opportunities to network and learn directly from international researchers and experts in various disciplines within global health.

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Career Chats (In-Person Session): Navigating Career Paths in Global Health – Session 2

Saturday, November 16, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. U.S. Central Time Zone Convention Center – Room 346/347 (3rd Floor)

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