March 25, 2024

**Lightning Talks: GCCers Present Tools & Software They Love**

*Zoom*

2:00-3:00 PM EST

Whether it is hosting counseling sessions, managing projects, budgets, or team communications, creatively marketing events, analyzing data... mastering tools and software helps us be more efficient at what we do!

Join us to hear lightning talks from three fellow GCCers on tools and software they love:

- a free self-assessment tool created for students and free to use at other institutions using a combination of Airtable and Luma to manage complex projects and events
- using Zoom and Qualtrics in tandem to measure and communicate about participation in events

Each lightning talk will last 10 minutes and will be followed by a 5 minute Q&A. The lightning talks portion of the event will be recorded, and the Zoom recording will be shared with all registrants. We will also have a non-recorded period of Q&A and exchange with all the speakers after the three lightning talks are over.

Speakers:

Dr. Chris M. Golde has worked over 25 years in graduate education, as a student, faculty member, administrator, advocate, researcher, and scholar. Currently, she is a career coach working with PhD students and postdoctoral scholars, at Stanford Career Education (CareerEd) at Stanford University. She recently advised the AAU PhD Education Initiative; the mission of which is to promote more student-centered doctoral education at AAU universities by making diverse PhD career pathways visible, valued, and viable.

Before joining CareerEd, she spent 9 years as Associate Vice Provost for Graduate Education in the VPGE office at Stanford; she designed and implemented programs and policies to advance graduate education and support graduate students. Before returning to Stanford, she was a Senior Scholar at the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching working on the Carnegie Initiative on the Doctorate, and a faculty member at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She earned a PhD in education and an MA in sociology, both from Stanford University.

Dr. Ivonne Vidal Pizarro supports the postdoctoral community from the Graduate School at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. She also supported the postdoctoral community as the Postdoctoral Intern and subsequently, the Diversity and Recruitment Coordinator for the Biomedical Postdoctoral Program at the University of Pennsylvania. She continued this work as the Membership Manager for the National Postdoctoral Association.

Dr. Vidal Pizarro was raised in Miami, where she earned her Associate of Arts degree from Miami Dade Community College, now known as Miami Dade College. She earned both her Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees from Florida International University. She earned her Doctoral Degree from the University of Pennsylvania, where she also briefly did her postdoctoral research work.

Dinuka Gunaratne is the Director of Career Development and Experiential Learning for Northeastern University in Vancouver. Since 2007, Dinuka has worked at seven post-secondary institutions across Canada and the US in student services, alumni
relations, career development and experiential learning. As a former international student from Sri Lanka and an immigrant to Canada, he is passionate about supporting immigrants and international students while advocating for system-level change for equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) and dismantling racism in higher education. He is also a facilitator of Anti-Racism Response Training (ART). Over the past seven years, Dinuka has specialized in supporting the career development and experiential learning of graduate students (master’s, PhD and postdoc) and is recognized for his expertise in the field. He holds leadership positions with the Canadian Association of Colleges and University Student Services (CACUSS), National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) and the Graduate Career Consortium (GCC). A graduate of the University of Guelph, he holds a Bachelor of Science in zoology and is an avid gardener outside of work.

June 4, 2024

2024 Mid-Career Professionals Workshop: Building Your Skills and Resilience in Times of Rapid Change
Zoom
12:15 PM - 04:15 PM EST
Professional Development Officer,
profdev@gradcareerconsortium.org

All GCC members are invited to join this half-day workshop to build your capacity in career coaching by leveraging ChatGPT, as well as building your capacity for resilience through self-care, reflection, and a change mindset.

Part I: ChatGPT for Career Coaches: Scale Up Your Coaching

Providing specific career advice for each student, postdoc, or alum is a monumental task, especially when you serve hundreds or thousands of job-seekers. But ChatGPT is a chance to fundamentally reshape that equation, leveraging your existing coaching expertise in concert with this new technology to dramatically scale up your impact. Our speaker is Jeremy Schifeling, co-founder of the Job Insiders and author of Career Coach GPT: The Complete Guide to ChatGPT Resume, Cover Letter, Interview, and Job Search Success.

Part II: Self-Care, Reflection, Resilience, and a Change Mindset

Periods of rapid change can lead to imposter fears and a sense of burnout as we try to cope. In this workshop, Dr. Donna Dopwell will help us identify strategies to build self-care activities, reflection, and resilience by engaging a change mindset. Dr. Dopwell is Assistant Professor and Director of Social Work at Tennessee State University, and she will lead us through activities that can help us build resilience while we cope with rapid change in our work environment.

The registration cost for the 2024 Mid-Career Professionals Workshop is $150.