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Life After MIT

A Sampling of Careers in Biology

This program will cover non-traditional paths for Biology Ph.D.s. Please join us at six exciting seminars featuring speakers who are at the top of these respective fields.

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BioTech

Andrea van Elsas, Ph.D., Director Tumor Immunology, Schering-Plough Corporation

Christopher Farrell, Ph.D., Scientist, Microbia Precision Engineering

Joe Yakamavich, Ph.D., Scientist, Abbott Laboratories

Wednesday January 14th, 1-2:30pm, 68-181

Join us for short talks and a question and answer session with scientists who have made the jump into industry at companies such as Microbia Precision Engineering, Abbott Laboratories and Schering-Plough Corporation. What is it like? How do you find a job? What's the best place for you? Start-ups, medium biotech, or big pharma?

Science Communication & Publishing

Thomas Levenson, Associate Professor of Science Writing, MIT,
Program in Writing & Humanistitc Studies

Faby Rivas, Editor, Cell, Cell Press

Susan Heilman, Education Associate, Museum of Science

Wednesday January 21st, 1—2:30pm, 68-181

The future of science depends on the dissemination of scientific knowledge, both within the scientific community and to society at large. Come hear from people in a variety of communications-related jobs. What jobs are out there and what are they like? What skills do you need? Where can you find more information?

Careers in Science Policy

Natalia Comella, Program Service and Multilateral Diplomacy,
Office of the U.S. Global AIDs Coordinator with the U.S. Department of State

Dorit Zuk, Program Officer for Science Policy, American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Tom C. Wang, Director for International Cooperation, International Office and Deputy Director, Center for Science Diplomacy, American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Friday, January 9th, 1—2:30m, 68-181

What is Science Policy? How does it impact the lives and research of scientists? What are the differences between the private and public policy sectors? Come meet folks who have dedicated their lives to policy work!

Consulting & Venture Capital

Lindee Goh, Boston Consulting Group

Matthias Jaffe

Lily Kim, Associate Consultant, Decision Resources

Christina Yoon, Practice Leader (Development), Management Consulting Services

Thursday, January 15th, 1-2:30pm, 68-181

The business of Biology is booming! This seminar features capitalists, who finance biological enterprises, and consultants, who suggest the best way to merge Biology with business or non-profit. Come listen and speak with Ph.D.s who have made the transition from bench work to the business world at companies such as Decision Resources and Boston Consulting Group.

Law & Intellectual Property

Megan Gustafson, Senior Advisor, Goodwin Proctor LLP

John R. Van Amsterdam, Shareholder and Chair, Biotechnology Practice Group, Wolf, Greenfield & Sacks, PC

Matt Trammell, Technology Specialist, Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, LLP

Aaron D. Schwartz, Technology Licensing Officer, MIT Technology Licensing Office

Thursday January 22nd, 1–2:30pm, 68-181

Thinking of using logical reasoning and scientific framework that you honed in graduate school to leverage a career in Law and Intellectual Property? Come hear scientists who blazed those trails!

Presented by the Biology Department and Biology graduate students at MIT.

No enrollment limit, no advance sign up, prereq: none. Participants

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Government & Forensics

Kara Spice, Special Agent FBI

Dr. Catherine Grgicak, Professor, Boston University School of Medicine

Tuesday, January 27th, 3-4:30pm 68-181

Are you interested in a career in forensics or with a government agency? Come hear about how your science training can be applied to careers in the FBI and other agencies from agents and forensic scientists.