

## Career Exploration Resources for Graduate Students

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*Contrary to popular opinion, many advanced degree holders do not pursue tenure-track positions - because of personal interests, job availability concerns, family responsibilities, etc. The websites, books, and campus resources listed below can help graduate students and postdocs learn more about an assortment of career paths that would make good use of their skills and educational background. To learn more about your skills, interests, and preferences as they pertain to work, visit the Personal Development section of our site - <http://careers.washington.edu/GradStudents/Personal-Development>*

### ALL FIELDS

#### Websites Targeted to Grad Students:

<http://careerchangeforacademics.com/>  
<http://www.salisbury.edu/careerservices/Students/GraduateMajors/>  
<http://www.ironstring.com/sellout/>  
<http://chronicle.com/section/Advice-Columns/144/>  
<http://cardinalcareers.stanford.edu/communities/graduate/guides.html> (PhD Pathways)  
<http://careers.washington.edu/mystory>  
[http://www.grad.washington.edu/stats/phd\\_survey/1996/exec\\_sum1.html](http://www.grad.washington.edu/stats/phd_survey/1996/exec_sum1.html)  
[http://www.grad.washington.edu/envision/phd/survey\\_index.html](http://www.grad.washington.edu/envision/phd/survey_index.html)  
<http://career.ucsd.edu/L3/sa/GSGettingStarted.shtml>  
<http://www.insidehighered.com/workplace/2005/07/27/rivers>  
<http://www.ncis.org/>

#### General Websites:

<http://online.onetcenter.org>  
<http://www.wois.org/> (from any UW affiliated computer)  
<http://www.collegerecruiter.com/podcast/summary/>  
<http://careerfyi.typepad.com/infointerviews/>  
<http://www.pursuethethepassion.com/index.php>  
<http://www.vocationvacations.com/>  
<http://www.roadtripnation.com/>

#### Books:

Basalla, S., & Debelius, M. (2007). So what are you going to do with that?: Finding careers outside academia. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Bronson, P. (2005). What should I do with my life?: The true story of people who answered the ultimate question. New York: Randomhouse.

- Jansen, J. (2003). I don't know what I want but I know it's not this: A step by step guide to finding satisfying work. New York: Penguin Books.
- Secrist, J., & Fitzpatrick, J. (2000). What else you can do with a Ph.D.: A career guide for scholars. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
- Careers for.... Chicago: VGM Career Books. (books about careers for different personality types)
- Opportunities in.... Chicago: VGM Career Books (series of books about different fields)

## ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

### Websites:

- <http://career.studentaffairs.duke.edu/graduate/wrk4us/discussions/index.html>
- <http://www.beyondthephd.co.uk/>
- <http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices/gradstud/humalt.html>
- [http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices/gradstud/alternative\\_hum\\_socsci.html](http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices/gradstud/alternative_hum_socsci.html)
- <http://depts.washington.edu/cirgeweb/c/publications-presentations/>
- <http://beyondacademe.com/>
- <http://www.nd.edu/~crosenbe/jobs.html>
- [http://www.apa.org/science/nonacad\\_careers.html](http://www.apa.org/science/nonacad_careers.html)
- <http://www.linguistlist.org/>

## SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND MATH

### Websites:

- [http://sciencecareers.sciencemag.org/career\\_magazine](http://sciencecareers.sciencemag.org/career_magazine)
- <http://www.poplarware.com/personal/lvphys.html>
- [http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices/gradstud/alternative\\_sci\\_eng\\_quant.html](http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices/gradstud/alternative_sci_eng_quant.html)
- <http://www.ebionews.com/>

### Books:

- Fiske, P. S. (2000). Put your science to work: The take-charge career guide for scientists. Washington DC: American Geophysical Union.
- Freedman, T. (2009). Career opportunities in biotechnology and drug development. Cold Spring Harbor, NY: Cold Spring Harbor Lab Press.
- Kreeger, K. Y. (1998). Guide to nontraditional careers in science. Philadelphia: Taylor & Francis Group.
- Robbins-Roth, C. (2005). Alternative careers in science: Leaving the ivory tower. Burlington, MA: Elsevier Academic Press.
- Rosen, S., & Paul, C. (1998). Career renewal: Tools for scientists and technical professionals. San Diego: Academic Press.

## CAMPUS RESOURCES

Career Center

<http://careers.washington.edu/gradstudents>

Career Symposium for Grad Students & Postdocs

<http://www.grad.washington.edu/careerdev/symposium.htm>

Career Discovery Week

<http://depts.washington.edu/careerwk> (event on hiatus in 2010)

Bioscience Careers

<http://courses.washington.edu/phd/>

Husky Career Network Alumni Database

<http://www.washington.edu/alumni/careers/hcn>

Odegaard Library Career Section

<http://www.lib.washington.edu/Ougl/career/>

Other UW Career Centers

<http://careers.washington.edu/employers/additionalrecruitingresources>