Graduate Professional Development

ALL GRAD STUDENTS, ALL DISCIPLINES, ALL CAREERS

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Graduate Professional Development...We’re in this together!

How can we, VPGE staff, enhance how you work with graduate students?

How can we help you help students develop the skills they need to succeed at Stanford and in their careers beyond?

Today I want to:
- show you our website
- introduce you to interactive GPD Framework
- invite you to a Breakfast Chat
Reflect. Explore. Dive in.
Let’s **reflect** on the skills your grad students need to succeed at Stanford…

- Writing
- Speaking
- Teaching
- Networking
- Teamwork
- Problem Solving
- Synthesizing
- Managing Data
- Negotiation
- Management
- Leadership
- Emotional Intelligence
- Self Awareness
- Facilitation
- Collaboration
- …
Graduate Professional Development Framework

As a Stanford graduate student, you have the opportunity to draw from a wide array of professional development resources, both within and beyond your graduate degree program.

The Graduate Professional Development (GPD) Framework was designed to help you connect your interests and goals with the abundance of opportunities Stanford offers. The Framework describes skills and experiences that are valuable to all graduate students, in all disciplines, for all careers, and is intended to complement and enhance your learning in your degree program.

Reflect. Explore. Dive in. Use the interactive GPD Framework to:

- Reflect on your strengths and identify areas for growth
- Explore resources, programs, events and other learning opportunities
- Dive in to your academic and professional development

First, use the red command button below to log in with your Net ID. Then assess your skills to receive specific recommendations. Your assessments are saved and securely stored to maintain confidentiality.

Read more about the GPD Framework here.

Launch Interactive GPD Framework (WebAuth)  Launch Interactive GPD Framework (Public)

Check out a quick video guide for using the Interactive GPD Framework.

Quick Video Guide

Tell us what you think about the new interactive GPD Framework.
Instructions

Selecting Domains
1. Click to select one or more of the six domain(s) you want to explore first (the domain should pop out when you click on it)
2. Click on one of the command buttons below the Framework to begin exploring:
   - Select "Take Self Assessment" to receive customized recommendations
   - Select "Browse All Recommendations" to skip self-assessment and view all recommendations in the domain(s) you selected

Assessing Your Skills
1. Once in the self-assessment view, use the sliders to indicate how effective you feel you are in the various areas.
2. If self-assessing in more than one domain, navigate by clicking the red tab headings at the top or the next page button at the bottom.
3. After completing your self-assessments in your selected domain(s), click on the grey “Show Recommendations” button at the bottom to view your recommendations.
   - Note: the domains in which you have already self-assessed will be faded out, but you can still click on them to re-assess.

Log in to save your assessments and recommendations
Suggestions:
- Pick one or two domains to begin.
- Select what’s most important now.
- Return to explore further.
Self-Assessment for Communication

How effective do you think you are in these areas of Communication?

Writing

- writing productively, clearly, succinctly, and in a style appropriate to your field and audience
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

- writing for academic purposes, such as for courses, research, presentation, or publication
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

- writing for professional purposes, such as correspondence, funding proposals, or job applications
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

Speaking

- expressing yourself confidently in courses, meetings, and workshops
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

- speaking persuasively in high-stakes situations such as a job interview or dissertation defense
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

- presenting in a public or professional forum, such as at a conference
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

Using electronic & social media

- using multi-media tools, such as slides, images, and video, to present your work and ideas
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

- developing and maintaining a professional online presence
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

- using social media and electronic networking tools for professional purposes
  - Need development
  - OK for now
  - Feel strong

Let’s zoom in on Speaking...
Let’s say we need development in all three areas…

So let’s move sliders from “OK for now” to “Need development”.
Now that we’ve self-assessed...

Let’s look at Recommendations
Recommendations:
- dynamic
- diverse
- “filterable”
Individual Recommendation:
- reference type
- primary source
- can have multiple tags
Let’s dive in to the primary source

- Brief teaser (who, what, why)
- Stable link to primary source
- Type, audience, source
Extensive resources to **dive in** even further…

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**Interviewing**

**CDC Career Communities**

- Earth Sciences
- Engineering
- Freshman/Sophomore
- Humanities & Sciences

**Interviewing**

- Types of Interviews
- How to Prepare
- Attire and Etiquette
- During the Interview
- Sample Interview Questions
- Questions to Ask Employers

**Our Services**

- Cardinal Careers Recruiting Resources
- Cardinal Recruiting
- Career Counseling
- Career Fair Strategies
- Event Calendars
- The Letter of Recommendation Service
- Newsletter Archive
- Career Planning Handbook

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Employers don’t interview candidates they don’t feel are qualified; therefore once you’ve made it past the initial screening it’s your opportunity to convince an employer, using your powers of persuasion and communication skills, that you are the right person for the job.

- Types of Interviews
- How to Prepare
- Attire and Business Etiquette
- During the Interview
- Sample Interview Questions
- Questions to Ask Employers
- Employer Interview Tips (video)
- Employer Dress Attire Tips (video)
- InterviewStream - Video Mock Interviews (use your Stanford email account to register)

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Our message to students: Be proactive and take advantage of all that Stanford offers!
Breakfast Chats: Tell us how we can help you and your grad students…

- Optional Breakfast Chats
- 6-8 people per session, breakfast provided
- 8:30-9:30 or 9-10? You tell us which time is better.
- Sign up by Wednesday, Nov. 12

vpge.stanford.edu/breakfast
That’s my 10 minutes…Can I ask you for 10 minutes?

- Visit our website: vpge.stanford.edu
- Sign up for a Breakfast Chat: vpge.stanford.edu/breakfast
- Explore the GPD Framework: vpge.stanford.edu/framework
- Read and subscribe to our newsletter: vpge.stanford.edu/newsletter
- Give feedback and suggestions: hdoyle@stanford.edu

Thank you!