Humanities Without Walls Pre-Doctoral Career Diversity Summer Workshop

When
July 15–August 2, 2019

The workshop will take place all day, five days per week for three weeks. There are several evening dinners scheduled for the 2019 workshop, but there are no events scheduled during weekends. Humanities Without Walls will circulate a list of interesting and exciting activities happening around Chicago that HWW Fellows are welcome to explore on their own.

Where
All weekday workshop events will begin at the Genevieve and Wayne Gratz Center at Fourth Presbyterian Church, 126 E. Chestnut St, Chicago, Illinois (at N. Michigan Ave.). Some activities will take place at sites in and around Chicago, but you will travel there with the group.

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PERSONAL VALUES, CAREER DISCERNMENT, AND CAREERS IN SOCIAL ACTIVISM AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: In Week One, you will begin to expand your imagination about what is possible with a PhD in the humanities and will engage in a discernment process designed to assist you in identifying your career values and prepare for your informational interviews. This week will also introduce you to careers in community engagement including fundraising and grant decision making with non-profit organizations, foundations, and social justice organizations. You will also hear from PhDs who’ve built careers in publishing, freelance editing, and leaders at national universities tasked with designing career diversity and professional development programming for their graduate students.

7/15: “Reassessing Identity & Work” With Megan Stielstra and Welcome Dinner

1. Welcome with Antoinette Burton, 9–9:30am
2. Session 1: Morning workshop with Megan Stielstra, 9:30–12:30pm
3. Lunch at the Gratz Center, 12:30–2pm
4. Session 2: Afternoon workshop with Megan Stielstra, 2–5pm
5. Welcome Dinner at Francesca’s, 5:30–8pm

7/16: “Careers in the Non-Profit Sector” and Site Visit to the Joyce Foundation

1. Session 1: Chicago Area Non-Profit Organizations, 9–10:45am
   • David Ernesto Munar, Executive Director, Howard Brown Health Center
   • Kim Hunt, AIDS Foundation Chicago
2. Session 2: Foundations, 11am–12:30pm
   • Elizabeth Powley, Director of Grants Management, The MacArthur Foundation
   • Susan Lloyd, Executive Director Emeritus, Zilber Family Foundation
3. Lunch at the Gratz Center, 12:30–1:30pm
4. Bus leaves the Gratz Center at 1:30pm for site visit to the Joyce Foundation, 2–4pm
   • Tracie D. Hall, Director of the Joyce Foundation’s Culture Program
   • Bus leaves for return to Gratz Center at 4:30pm

7/17: “Values-driven Career Decisions, Informational Interviews, and Humanities Mindsets”

1. Session 1: Values, Informational Interviews, and Humanities Mindsets, 9am–12:30pm
   • Derek Attig, Director of Career Development, Graduate College, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
   • Mearah Quinn-Brauner, Deputy Chief of Staff and Assistant Vice Provost, Emory University
2. Lunch on your own, 12:30–1:15pm
3. Session 2: The Humble Humanist, 1:30–3pm
   • Dean F. Oliver, Director of Research, Canadian Museum of History
4. Session 3: Community Engagement and Milwaukee’s Near West Side Partners, 3:15–5pm
   • Dan Bergen, Director, Office of Community Engagement, Marquette University
   • Keith Stanley, Executive Director, Near West Side Partners
   • Rana Altenburg, President, Near West Side Partners, and Vice President of Public Affairs, Marquette University
7/18: “Careers in Publishing,” “Freelancing” and “How to Pitch an Op-Ed” Informational Interviews, and Office Hours with Antoinette

1. Session 1: Careers in Academic Publishing, 8:30–9:45am
   • Alan G. Thomas, Editorial Director, University of Chicago Press
2. Session 2: Careers in Freelancing, 10–11am
   • Joe Fruscione, freelance editor, consultant, and writer, editor for the new series at the University of Kansas Press Rethinking Careers, Rethinking Academia.
3. Session 3: How to Pitch an Op-Ed Workshop, 11:15am–1pm
   • Anne Trubek, Belt Publishing
4. Informational Interviews or Office Hours with Antoinette

7/19: “How to Bring Career Diversity Home”.

1. Session 1: National University Graduate Student Career Development Initiatives, 9–10:45am
   • Theresa Tobin, Graduate School Career Development Initiative, Marquette University
   • John Shaffer, Associate Director, Graduate Student Professional Development Center at the University of Texas, San Antonio
2. Session 2: Reinvent PhD Project at Georgetown University, 11am–12:30pm
   • Kathryn Temple, Georgetown University
   • Joe Fruscione, Reinvent PhD at Georgetown
   • Lauren Frey, Georgetown University
3. Working Lunch at the Gratz Center - Bringing Career Diversity Home Group Activity Project with Maggie, 12:30–1:30pm
4. Session 3: Site visit to the Field Museum and Brewery Tour at Metropolitan Brewery, 2–8pm
   • Liz Garibay, History on Tap, and the Chicago Brewseum
   • Brian Alberts, HWW 2017 Fellow, and the Chicago Brewseum
“SKILLS, DOCUMENTS, AND HUMANITIES METHODOLOGIES FOR CAREERS IN PUBLIC PROGRAMMING”: In Week Two, you will work on translating your academic experiences, research, and methodological approaches into the skillsets and language valued by a variety of employment sectors. We will also explore a number of public humanities and arts projects (in the digital and physical realms) with site visits to museums across Chicago. You will learn about employment options available within these organizations and the skill sets required of employees who thrive in these environments. How do PhDs who work in these types of careers apply their methodological training to their current work endeavors? How does their training influence the interpretation and communication of art, history, or the construction of policy, to the public? You will also have time to work on writing your resumes or your plans to bring the work of career diversity back home.

7/22: “Cover Letters and Resumes Workshop” With Sally Schmall

1. Morning session with Sally Schmall, 9am–12:30pm
2. Lunch at the Gratz, 12:30–2pm
3. Afternoon session with Sally Schmall, 2–5pm
4. Evening dinner at Beatrix River North with Safiya Noble, 5:30–8pm

7/23: “The Interpretive Lens: Programming for the Public”

1. Session 1: Site visit to the Museum of Contemporary Art (220 E. Chicago Ave.)
   Meet at the Museum by 8:45am
   • Rosie May, Museum of Contemporary Art
   • J Tyler Friedman, Museum of Wisconsin Art
   • Bus will leave the MCA at 11:30am
2. Session 2: Site visit to the DuSable African American History Museum, 12:00–2pm
   Lunch will be served at the DuSable
   • Courtney Pierre Joseph, Lake Forest College
   • Bus leaves the DuSable at 2pm
3. Session 3: National Public Housing Museum, 3–4:30pm
   • Mark Jaeschke, Oral History Coordinator, National Public Housing Museum
   • Bus leaves the NPHM at 4:30pm for trip back to the Gratz Center

7/24: “Humanities Careers in American and International Governments or Agencies”

1. Session 1: PhD Careers in Government and International Agencies, 8:30–9:45am
   • Laurel Seeley Voloder, Government Accountability Office
   • Michael Tiboris, Chicago Council on Global Affairs
2. Session 2: Mellon/ACLS Public Humanities Fellowship, 10–11:30am
   • John Paul Christy, Director of Public Programs, Mellon/ACLS
   • Kristen Fallica, Chicago Humanities Festival
7/24 (Cont.):

3. Session 3: Values Based Careers in Law Enforcement, 11:30–1pm
   • Lore Vang, Core Coordinator, Madison Police Department
   • Faith Kares, Inspector General’s Office, Chicago Police Department

4. Informational Interviews or Office Hours with Antoinette

7/25: “The Technological Turn”

1. Session 1: Introduction to Story Center, 9–10:15am
   • Andrea Shultice, University of Iowa

2. Session 2: The Technological Turn: Humanities and Big Data, 10:15–11:30am
   • Shion Guha, Marquette University

3. Informational Interviews or Relaxation Day!

7/26: “Career Diversity With the Mellon Foundation”

1. Breakfast: 8–9am

2. Session 1: Humanities Without Walls Fellowship Alums, 9–10:30am
   • Emily Lacy, University of Illinois at Chicago, HWW 2017 Fellow
   • Robert Smith III, The Surdna Foundation, HWW 2015 Fellow
   • Sara Thiel, Chicago Shakespeare Theater, HWW 2016 Fellow

3. Session 2: History of Career Diversity Projects, 10:45am–Noon
   • Antoinette Burton, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and PI, Humanities Without Walls
   • James Grossman, Executive Director, American Historical Association
   • Eugene Tobin, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

4. Lunch: Noon–1pm

5. Session 3: Grad Lab Practicum and HWW Research Challenge, 1:15–2:15pm
   • Sara Černe, PhD Candidate, Northwestern University
   • Bonnie Etherington, PhD Candidate, Northwestern University
   • Tara Hatfield, PhD Candidate, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

6. Session 4: Humanities for the Public Good, 2:30–3:30pm
   • Teresa Mangum, Director, Obermann Center for Advanced Research, University of Iowa

7. Session 5: How the Humanities Can Inform STEM, 3:45–5pm
   • Holly Falk-Krzenski, Vice President for Research Intelligence, Elsevier

8. Walk to Jake Melnick’s Corner Tap for Reception, 5:30–7pm
“NETWORKING, INTERVIEWING, AND CAREERS IN EDUCATION”: During Week Three, you will consider how to build networks with potential employers in a variety of forums and develop strategies for building a professional brand on social media. You will also spend time prepping and practicing for job interviews. What do you do once your cover letters and resumes get you an in-person interview? What are some of the best strategies for interviewing well? Finally, you will explore career paths beyond the traditional tenure-track within the academy including explorations into administrative careers within higher education, alternative education initiatives, and public humanities projects.

7/29: “Networking 101: Virtual Networking and Job Interviewing”

1. Session 1: Networking in the Virtual Sphere, 9am–12:30pm
   - Paul Gordon Brown, Roompact
2. Lunch at the Gratz, 12:30–2pm
3. Session 2: Job Interviewing, 2–5pm
   - Derek Attig, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

7/30: “Professions Within Academia”

1. Session 1: Applied Humanities Methodologies, 9–10:30am
   - Carolyn Randolph, Project Manager, Training in Digital Methods for Humanists, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2. Session 2: Student Research Support, 10:45am–12:30pm
   - Matthew Roberts, Librarian for Literatures and Languages, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
   - Karen Rodriguez’G, Director, Office of Undergraduate Research, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
3. Lunch on your own, 12:30–2pm
4. Session 3: Leadership Careers in Higher Education, 2–4pm
   - Doug Woods, Dean of the Graduate School, Marquette University
   - DeBrenna Agbenyiga, Provost, Bowie State University

7/31: “Values in Action: Public Higher Education Projects”

1. Session 1: Bard Prison Initiative, 8:30–9:45am
   - Jessica Neptune, Associate Director of National Projects, BPI
2. Session 2: Odyssey Project, 10–11:15am
   - Chris Guzaitis, Director of Education and Projects, Illinois Humanities
3. Session 3: Prison and Neighborhood Art Project, 11:30–12:45pm
   - Alice Kim, Director of Human Rights Practice, University of Chicago
4. Informational Interviews or Office Hours with Antoinette
8/1: “Careers in Secondary Education”

1. Session 1: Careers in Secondary Education, 9–11:00am
   - Melissa Verhey, The Lawrenceville School, HWW Fellow 2017
   - Jim Nelsen, Golda Meir Middle School, Milwaukee Public Schools
   - Tyler Miller, Pine Crest School, HWW Fellow 2015
2. Session 2: Folk and Arts Education with Local Learning, 11:15am–12:30pm
   - Lisa Rathje, Local Learning
3. Lunch on your own, 12:30–1:30pm
4. Session 3: Educational Policy and Learning Assessments, 1:30–3:00pm
   - Stephanie Schmitz-Bechteler, Chicago Urban League
   - Daniel Kanhofer, ETS
5. Session 4: Informational Interview Reflection Session with Antoinette and Maggie, 3:15–4:30pm

8/2: “Closing the Circle”

1. Session 1: Closing the Circle, 9–Noon
   - Amanda Delheimer, 2nd Story Chicago
2. Working Lunch: How to Bring Career Diversity Home project discussion, Noon–2pm
   - Professional headshots
3. Dinner at Tanta, 5:30–8pm
2019 Career Diversity Bibliography

This bibliography categorizes current research and best practices within career diversity discourses to help justify the structure of the 2019 HWW predoctoral fellowship workshop and faculty institutes. We have constructed themes and sub-categories within this bibliography to further distinguish the literature.

**Career Advising**


Bartha, Miriam. “Skill,” Keywords for American Cultural Studies.
https://keywords.nyupress.org/american-cultural-studies/essay/skill/


Career Diversity Critiques & Responses


Career Stories


Faculty Training


**Faculty Training (Cont.)**


**Graduate Student Agency / Value of Collaboration**


**Podcasts**

McCarthy, Monica. *The Happier Hour: Life Outside Academia*.

**Public Humanities and Research Projects**


Public Humanities and Research Projects (Cont.)


Values


Websites: General Advice and National Projects

AHA’s The Career Diversity Five Skills -
https://www.historians.org/jobs-and-professional-development/career-diversity-for-historians/career-diversity-resources/five-skills

AHA’s Career Diversity for Historians initiative -
https://www.historians.org/jobs-and-professional-development/career-diversity-for-historians

Connected Academics - https://connect.mla.hcommons.org/

Carpe Careers - https://www.insidehighered.com/career-advice/carpe-career

Career Exploration Tools & Resources for Medievalists & Other Humanities PhDs -
https://katiehodgeskluck.wordpress.com/2019/03/27/career-exploration-tools-resources-for-medievalists-other-humanities-phds/

ImaginePhD - https://www.imaginephd.com/

MLA’s Guide for PhD Programs and Faculty Members in English and Other Modern Languages -
https://connect.mla.hcommons.org/doctoral-student-career-planning-faculty-toolkit/

MLA’s Doctoral Student Career Planning Toolkit Download -
Websites: General Advice and National Projects (Cont.)

MLA’s Transferable Skills and How to Talk About Them -
https://connect.mla.hcommons.org/resource-transferable-skills-and-how-to-talk-about-them/

Helping Students Prepare for Humanities Careers: Recommendations for Faculty Members -
https://connect.mla.hcommons.org/helping-students-prepare-for-humanities-careers-recommendations-for-faculty-members/

What can you do with that PhD?: FAQs about non-academic jobs -

Talks about translating PhD skills into non-academic settings -

Information on the Foundation Field, Foundation Center - http://foundationcenter.org/

Non-Academic Career Options for PhDs in the Humanities and Social Sciences -
https://www.careereducation.columbia.edu/tips-resources

Created for PhDs in history, but broadly applicable information - http://beyondacademe.com/index.html

10 Tips for Developing an Alternate Career While in Graduate School -
https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/career-transitions/201110/10-tips-developing-alternate-career-while-in-graduate-school

Questions to ask yourself when deciding on a career direction -


Uptowork: Resume Writing - https://uptowork.com/blog/resume-writing

Humanities for the Public Good, University of Iowa - https://uihumanitiesforthepublicgood.com