# 2021 Humanities Without Walls
## PreDoctoral Career Diversity Virtual Summer Workshop

| WHEN | July 19th through August 6th. Online, virtual workshop sessions are planned for approximately four hours per day, to be scheduled between 9am to 5pm, Monday through Friday, for three weeks. Synchronous and asynchronous programming will comprise the remaining four hours per day. |
| WHERE | ONLINE. All workshop sessions will be virtual, taking place remotely via the Zoom video communications app. |
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W O R K S H O P D A I L Y O U T L I N E

WEEK ONE

“Personal Values, Career Discernment, and Humanities Mindsets”:
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. You will also begin a three-part series exploring careers within nonprofits, learn about publishing and editing careers, and participate in an op-ed pitch workshop.

MONDAY, JULY 19, 2021: “Reassessing Identity, Work, & Values” with Megan Stielstra

- **Session 1**: 10am–Noon
- **Lunch**: Noon–2pm
- **Session 2**: 2pm–4:30pm
- **Break**: 4:30pm–5pm
- **Virtual Social Hour event**: 5pm–6pm

TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021: “Careers in the Nonprofit Sector”

- **Session 1**: 10am–Noon
- **Lunch**: Noon–2pm
- **Session 2**: 2pm–2:30pm
- **Break**: 2:30pm–3pm
- **Session 3**: 3pm–4pm

SPEAKERS:

- **Session 1**: “Advocacy Careers in the Nonprofit Sector”
  - Martha Collins, Co-Founder, Nonprofit Academy of Wisconsin
  - Rob Meiksins, Co-Founder, Nonprofit Academy of Wisconsin

- **Session 2**: The Mellon Foundation
  - Dr. Elizabeth Alexander, President, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

- **Session 3**: Small group reflection check-in
**WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2021: “Values Driven Career Decisions, Informational Interviews, and Humanities Mindsets”**

**Session 1** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10am–Noon  
Lunch . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Noon–2pm  
**Session 2** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2pm–4pm

**SPEAKERS:**  
**Session 1:** “Humanities Mindsets”  
Derek Attig, Assistant Dean for Career and Professional Development, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
Mearah Quinn Brauner, Director of Strategy and Policy, Northwestern University  

**Session 2:** “Pathways into Nonprofit Careers”  
Carolyn Swabek, Director, Trinity Fellows Program, Marquette University  
Katie Shumway, Director, We CU, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

**THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2021: “Careers in Academic Publishing”**

**Session 1** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10am–Noon  
**Session 2** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Noon–1:30pm  
Half-day for Informational Interviews

**SPEAKERS:**  
**Session 1:** “Editor and Author: Careers in Academic Publishing”  
Dawn Durante, Editor in Chief, University of Texas Press  
Badia Ahad-Legardy, Associate Professor of English and Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Loyola University Chicago  

**Session 2:** Small Group Reflection Check-in  
Informational Interviews

**FRIDAY, JULY 23, 2021: “Freelancing and How to Pitch an Op-ed”**

**Session 1** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10am–Noon  
Lunch . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Noon–2pm  
**Session 2** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2pm–4pm  
Break . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4pm- 5pm  
Optional Virtual Happy Hour . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5pm–6pm

**SPEAKERS:**  
**Session 1:** “Navigating Uncertain Freelancing Terrain”  
Joe Fruscione, Communications and Advancement Associate at The Siena School  

**Session 2:** “How to Pitch an Op-ed Workshop”  
Keyanah Nurse, ACLS Emerging Voices Fellow, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  

**Virtual Social Hour**
“Skills, Documents, and Making the Humanities Relevant”:
In Week Two you will work on translating your academic experiences, research, and methodological approaches into the skillsets and discourses valued by a variety of employment sectors including those working in federal government, digital humanities at national public humanities programs, and in the tech sector with a workshop led by representatives from the Shedd Aquarium and the City of Chicago.

MONDAY, JULY 26, 2021: “Cover Letters and Resumes” with Briana Mohan

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SPEAKERS:
Briana Mohan, Senior Academic and Career Advisor, Tulane University

TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021: “National Fellowships with the ACLS and Federal Jobs Application Portal”

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SPEAKERS:
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John Paul Christy, Director of Public Programs, American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS)

Session 2: “Applying for Federal Jobs”
Benjamin Huskinson

Session 3: Small Group Reflection Check-in
WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 2021: “Digital Humanities Programming for the Public”

- **Session 1**: 10am–Noon
- **Lunch**: Noon–2pm
- **Session 2**: 2pm–4pm
- **Session 3**: Asynchronous Video

**Speakers:**
- **Session 1**: “Making the Humanities Relevant”
  Matthew Costello, Vice President, David M. Rubenstein Center, White House Historical Association
  Virtual App Site Visit Component
- **Session 2**: “Faculty & Teaching Careers at Community Colleges”
  Amy Penne, Professor of Humanities, Parkland College
- **Session 3**: Implicit Bias Training (asynchronous video; fellows to watch on their own time)
  Assata Zerai, Professor of Sociology and Vice President for Equity and Inclusion, University of New Mexico

THURSDAY, JULY 29, 2021: “HWW Homecoming Day”

- **Session 1**: 10am–11am
- **Lunch**: 11am–1pm
- **Session 2**: 1pm–3pm
- **Session 3**: Asynchronous Video
  Virtual Happy Hour: 4pm–5pm

**Speakers:**
- **Session 1**: Small Group Reflection Check-in
- **Session 2**: “HWW Homecoming”
  Angela Tate, HWW 2018
  Michelle May-Curry, HWW 2018
  Luisa Arrieta Fernandez, HWW 2019
- **Session 3**: “Nonprofit Advocacy” Part 2 with Martha Collins and Rob Meiksins (asynchronous video; fellows to watch on their own time)
- **Session 4**: Virtual Social Hour

FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2021: “Tech Careers and the Humanities”

- **Session 1**: 10am–Noon
- **Session 2**: Noon–1pm
  Half-day for Informational Interviews

**Speakers:**
- **Session 1**: “Tech Careers and the Humanities”
  Danielle DuMerer, Vice President of Technology, Shedd Aquarium
  Stacy Mansker-Young, Assistant Chief Information Officer, City of Chicago
- **Session 2**: Small Group Reflection Check-in
MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2021: “Job Interviewing, Networking, and Careers in Consulting and Research”

Session 1 .......................................................... 10am–Noon
Lunch .............................................................. Noon–2pm
Session 2 .......................................................... 2pm–4pm
Session 3 .......................................................... 4pm–5pm

SPEAKERS:
Session 1: “Job Interviewing and Networking”
Derek Attig, Assistant Dean for Career and Professional Development, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Session 2: “Careers in Consulting and Research”
Dylan Ruediger, Ithaka S&R
Collette Johnson, Ithaka S&R

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2021: “Reform Movements in Higher Education”

Session 1 .......................................................... 10am–Noon
Lunch .............................................................. Noon–2pm
Session 2 .......................................................... 2pm–4pm
Virtual Social Hour 4pm–5pm

SPEAKERS:
Session 1: “Reform Movements in Higher Education”
Jessica Neptune, Bard Prison Initiative
Chris Guzaitis, Illinois Humanities

Session 2: “Empowering Graduate Students via Reciprocal & Redistributive Programming”
Theresa Tobin, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Director of Education Preparedness Program, Marquette University
Marisola Xelilli Ciaccio, Associate Director of Education Preparedness Program, Marquette University
John Shaffer, Associate Director for Student Success & Professional Development, University of Texas at San Antonio

Virtual Social Hour
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021: “Careers in Secondary Education”

Session 1 ................. 10am–Noon
Lunch ....................... Noon–2pm
Session 2 .................. 2pm–3pm

SPEAKERS:
Session 1: “Careers in Public Secondary Education”
Jim Nelsen, Milwaukee Public School District
Session 2: Small Group Reflection Check-in

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2021: “Social Media and Networking”

Session 1 .................. Asynchronous Video
Session 2 .................. Asynchronous Video
Half-day for Informational Interviews

SPEAKERS:
Session 1: “Social Media and Networking” Workshop with Paul Gordon Brown, HWW 2017 (asynchronous video; fellows to watch on their own time)
Session 2: “Non-Profit Advocacy” Part 3 with Martha Collins and Rob Meiksins (asynchronous video; fellows to watch on their own time)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 2021: “Bringing the Circle Home” with Megan Stielstra

Session 1 .................. 10am–Noon
Break ....................... Noon–12:30
Session 2 .................. 12:30pm–2pm (Workshop Goodbye Virtual Lunch)