

## Greetings!

The Ames Local Section of the American Chemical Society is excited to be sponsoring **virtual** career development workshops and one-on-one professional resume reviews & career consultations. The event presenter is ACS Career consultant, [Dr. Lisa Balbes](#), who has visited the Ames section on numerous occasions and is an outstanding speaker. **These valuable workshops and consultations are suitable for graduate and undergraduate students, postdoctoral fellows, or mid-career professionals in any engineering or scientific discipline/area.** Please share distribute this invitation broadly.

1. **Workshop 1: Finding Yourself: Identifying a Career that Matches Your Strengths and Values** (see below for details): Monday October 18<sup>th</sup> from 2 pm to 4 pm
2. **Workshop 2: Setting Yourself Up for Success in an Interview** (see below for details): Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 2 pm
3. ***New this year!* Workshop 3: ChemIDP: Planning for Your Career** (see below for details): Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 pm – 4 pm
4. **Resume Reviews & One-On-One Career Consultation:** ACS Career Consultant, Dr. Lisa Balbes, will review resumes, C.V.'s, cover letters, research statements, and/or statements of teaching philosophy and then set up one-on-one virtual appointments with applicants. Appointments will run from October 24 - 27.

**RSVPs are required for all 3 events. To RSVP, [click here](#) or visit: [https://iastate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_29nmFqDE72Yskmi](https://iastate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_29nmFqDE72Yskmi) or scan the QR code below:**



After submitting your affirmative RSVP for workshops, you will be emailed a WebEx link and participant documents. Those submitting an affirmative RSVP for Resume Review & Career Consultation will be sent a Google link to sign up for a virtual appointment with Dr. Balbes and will be invited to submit their resume and other application materials for review.

### **Workshop 1: Finding Yourself: Identifying a Career that Matches Your Strengths and Values (ACS Career Workshop)**

**Monday October 18<sup>th</sup> from 2 pm to 4 pm**

Abstract: Finding Yourself: Identifying a Career that Matches Your Strengths and Values allows you to self-assess your career values and strengths. Participants will also learn how the four sectors of chemistry employment compare and contrast. This course will also help you determine which sector best aligns to your values and strengths and plan your next steps to obtaining an ideal position.

Attendance at the workshop requires an RSVP by Sunday October 17th: [click here or visit: https://iastate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_29nmFqDE72Yskmi](https://iastate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_29nmFqDE72Yskmi)

### **Workshop 2: Setting Yourself Up for Success in an Interview (ACS Career Workshop)**

**Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 2 pm**

Abstract: Breaks down the interview process into navigable stages. Participants will also learn how to identify critical performance factors from job announcement media. The course will also help interviewees to develop a plan to relate their experience and values to the job requirements and organization values of their potential employers.

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### **Workshop 3: ChemIDP: Planning for Your Career (ACS Career Workshop)**

**Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 pm to 4 pm**

ChemIDP is an Individual Development Plan tool designed specifically for **graduate students and postdoctoral scholars in the chemical sciences**. Through immersive, self-paced activities, users identify career goals, determine specific skills needed for success, and develop a plan to achieve their professional goals. This 90-minute workshop walks you through the process for using ChemIDP.

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### **Resume Reviews & One-On-One Career Consultation**

**Appointments will run from October 24<sup>th</sup> through October 27<sup>th</sup>.**

Career Consultant Dr. Lisa Balbes and participants work together to discuss career plans and application materials. Participants will submit resumes, C.V. (Curriculum vitae), teaching and/or research statements to Dr. Balbes for review; the deadline for submission of application materials is noon Friday October 22nd. This will be followed by an opportunity to meet with Dr. Balbes virtually to discuss further.

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