# Professional Development Roadmap for Ph.D. Students

## Departmental & Discipline
- Develop an individual development plan (IDP)
- Attend a dissertation defense
- Complete responsible conduct in research (RCR) training, if necessary
- Investigate fellowship funding opportunities through PIVOT
- Attend departmental professional development (PD) programs
- Attend departmental seminars and talks
- Develop a network of faculty and students in your department

## Communication
- Schedule a writing consultation at the Writing Center
- Seek on-campus opportunities to present your work
- Attend GradSpeak
- Take a writing course
- Attend proposal and fellowship writing workshops
- Attend department seminars

## Teaching & Pedagogy
- Explore the resources available at McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning
- Attend the assistant in instruction (AI) orientation
- Complete a department pedagogy course, where available
- Apply to be a writing fellow

## Career Exploration
- Meet with a career services career adviser to discuss career goals and IDP
- Attend a Career & Life Vision workshop
- Create a HireTigers profile
- Visit Keller Center to explore entrepreneurial offerings
- Begin drafting a CV and/or resume
- Attend Pathway with a Ph.D. to explore new directions with a Ph.D.

## Individual Personal Development
- Explore campus resources
- Develop networks outside of the department
- Develop cultural competency
- Explore diversity programming

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### Career Search
Career Services  
http://careerservices.princeton.edu
Career Services supports graduate student career development both inside and outside the academy. Graduate student career advisers will speak with students about faculty searches, CVs, resumes, interviews, and networking opportunities.

McGraw Center  
http://www.princeton.edu/mcgraw
The McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning offers extensive programs and services geared toward developing graduate students as professional scholars and teachers. These programs can both assist students in meeting degree requirements or and in acquiring skills needed for careers in teaching.

Princeton Writing Program  
http://writing.princeton.edu
The Writing Program offers a continuum of options for graduate students to develop as writers and teachers. Writing courses and one-on-one consultations with experienced fellow writers help students improve their writing skills needed for dissertation work and publication. Students interested in professional development opportunities can apply as writing fellows or later to develop their own writing courses.

Keller Center  
http://kellercenter.princeton.edu
The Keller Center focuses on bridging technology and society through innovation, design, and entrepreneurship. The Keller Center provides a broad range of interdisciplinary courses, co-curricular activities, workshops, and lecture series aimed at educating leaders for a technology-driven society.

Keller Center Fellows in Innovation, Design, and Entrepreneurship
Keller Center fellows serve as key advocates and supporters of the Keller Center’s role while honing their skills as leaders and entrepreneurs. Graduate and undergraduate students selected for the program serve one academic year terms. They are invited to special events and functions hosted by the Center and are eligible to apply for special funding to pursue individual and group projects.

The Pace Center  
http://pace.princeton.edu
The Pace Center supports the Prison Teaching Initiative (PTI), which provides credit-bearing college courses to inmates at two correctional facilities near Princeton's campus. Courses in several disciplines are taught by volunteer instructors including Princeton faculty, staff, postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, alumni, and advanced undergraduates.

Digital Humanities Center  
http://digitalhumanities.princeton.edu
The Center for Digital Humanities (CDH) research team serves as a hub for expertise in digital methods, tools, and best practices that allow scholars to analyze traditional and unconventional source bases to discover and share new insights. The CDH hosts workshops, reading groups, invited lecturers, conferences, and other special events.

Program in Teacher Preparation  
https://teacherprep.princeton.edu
The Program in Teacher Preparation includes the Prison Teaching Initiative (PTI) (link is external), which provides credit-bearing college courses to inmates at New Jersey correctional facilities near Princeton's campus. Courses in several disciplines are taught by volunteer instructors including Princeton faculty, staff, postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, alumni, and advanced undergraduates.

The Graduate School  
https://gradschool.princeton.edu/professional-development
The Graduate School offers a variety of resources to support graduate student success and enhance scholarship and research. Graduate students can take advantage of career exploration and skill development programs as well as funding to support their own professional development needs.