

**Beyond Grant Writing:  
Preparing Humanities PhD  
Students to Navigate the World of  
Sponsored Projects**

The Council of Graduate Schools' *PhD Career Pathways* project is a multi-phase initiative to broaden and improve doctoral education through data collection, information-sharing, and resource development.



**#PhDCareerPathways**

# Current Phase:



## The CGS Humanities Coalition

**Expanding the number of universities regularly collecting and using PhD alumni career information for program improvement.**

**Enhancing the knowledge base and suite of promising practices that better support preparation for diverse humanities careers.**

**July 2020:** Five new Mellon subawardees join the data collection effort.

**2021:** 17 member universities join the Coalition following Request for proposals.

**2021-2025:** Implementation of campus projects. Continued data collection and analysis.



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Visit the CGS Website to learn more  
[www.cgsnet.org](http://www.cgsnet.org)



Preparing for Diverse Roles in Education



Grant Writing and Securing Resources



Building Professional Relationships



# Use our National Dataset to Inform Changes and Improve Programs



Resource for Supporting Department and Program Communications: *Shaping New Narratives about PhD Careers*

- ❑ How Well Did a Humanities PhD Prepare Them?
- ❑ How Well Did a STEM PhD Train Degree Recipients for Their Careers?
- ❑ How do Biological and Life Sciences PhD Holders Transition into the Workforce?
- ❑ Preparing Future Faculty for All Types of Colleges and Universities
- ❑ Job Changes of PhD Graduates After Earning Their Degree
- ❑ PhD Professional Preparation: Value, Timing, and Participation
- ❑ Insights into First-Generation Doctoral Students
- ❑ Academic Professional Development for PhDs in Select Science Fields: Who is Participating?
- ❑ Stay tuned for more briefs to be released in 2023!



# CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR EFFECTIVE GRANT- WRITING AND FUNDRAISING IN MULTIPLE CAREER PATHWAYS

CGS PhD Career  
Pathways  
Humanities Coalition  
Grant Writing Project



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# LUC: GRANT-WRITING

Fall 22

Workshop on Academic Grant-Writing

Spring  
23

Seminar on Professional Grant-Writing  
and Fundraising

Summer  
23

Experiential Course on Professional  
Grant-Writing and Fundraising



# **CGS GRANT: LESSONS LEARNED**

- CGS Grant as stand-alone effort and as pilot program
- Success requires collaboration by Graduate School with multiple stakeholders



# **CGS GRANT: GOALS OF LUC GRADUATE SCHOOL**



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**Informing and Engaging Support of  
Faculty and Graduate Program Directors**

## **GRADUATE SCHOOL & GRADUATE PROGRAMS**

- Success dependent on engaging faculty and Graduate Program Directors as “brokers:” ensuring awareness of employment outcomes for and communication of support available to doctoral students
- Outcome: TGS working with each GPD to develop tailored “brief” on career outcomes and university support to share with faculty

# **CGS GRANT: GOALS OF LUC GRADUATE SCHOOL**



**Identifying and Connecting  
Partners Beyond Academia**



## **GRADUATE SCHOOL & PARTNERS BEYOND ACADEMIA**

- Success dependent on engagement with alumni, university offices, community organizations, & faculty
- Outcome: TGS working with Alumni Relations to implement software linking graduate students and alumni for mentorship, networking, and career exploration

**THANK YOU!**

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