

# Weekly Happenings Newsletter



Quote of the week:

“What we learn with  
pleasure we never  
forget.”

- Alfred Mercier

SPRING 2023

April 10-14, 2023



Spring Registration is Open!

Check <https://www.cirtl.net/> for updates.

## SPRING WORKSHOP SERIES

### ***“Be Your Own Driver: Imagining Post-PhD Career Versatility” Series***

*Four Synchronous Sessions: 1:30 – 3:00 PM, Tuesdays, March 21 – April 11, 2023*

*April 11, 2023- [Putting it All Together: How do I Articulate and Implement a Career Development Plan?](#)*

This series supports graduate students and postdoctoral researchers at all levels to articulate and build upon professional skills acquired within and outside of academic experiences. As this series empowers participants toward the pursuit of liberating and versatile occupation possibilities, we will also resist perceived and received norms of the employment “use” of a graduate degree.

### ***“How CIRTL Has Impacted My Career: Hearing from CIRTL Alumni” Series***

*Four Synchronous Sessions: 2:00 – 3:00 PM, Thursdays, March 23 – April 13, 2023*

*April 13, 2023- [How CIRTL Has Impacted My Career: Careers at Minority-Serving Institutions](#)*

This event is the first in our four-part event series “How CIRTL Has Impacted My Career: Hearing from CIRTL Alumni.” The full series includes the following events, each featuring different panels of CIRTL alumni reflecting on their career paths, their experiences in CIRTL, and how CIRTL impacted where they’re at now.



## SPRING WORKSHOPS

### ***CIRT Network Teaching-as-Research Presentations***

*Synchronous Sessions: 3:00 – 4:30 PM ET, Wednesday, April 26, 2023*

Hear graduate students and postdocs from across the CIRT Network share the results of their Teaching-as-Research (TAR) projects in this online presentation session. TAR projects investigate questions about teaching and learning, including assessing the effectiveness of specific learning activities and tools, examining the learning process about a specific topic, or characterizing the student experience in the classroom.



Check <http://dbserc.pitt.edu/> for updates.

### ***Monday Lunch Discussion***

*12:00 - 1:00 PM, Monday, April 10, 2023*

During this dB-SERC lunch discussion, Dr. Jessica Stephenson from the Department of Biological Sciences will share information on her dB-SERC Mentor/Mentee Award. Her talk is titled, “Student-led engagement with journal articles and their authors increases self-efficacy and belonging, particularly among students who identify as part of an historically minoritized group.”

## University Center for Teaching and Learning

Check <https://teaching.pitt.edu/workshops-events/> for updates.

*None listed*



University of  
Pittsburgh

Office of  
Diversity and Inclusion

Check <https://www.diversity.pitt.edu/> or [https://calendar.pitt.edu/departments/office\\_of\\_diversity\\_and\\_inclusion](https://calendar.pitt.edu/departments/office_of_diversity_and_inclusion) for updates.

***Here to Help: A Resource Fair***

*9:30 AM - 2:00 PM, Monday, April 10, 2023*

*William Pitt Union, Patio and Lawn*

The Sexual Assault Awareness Month Task Force is hosting a resource fair aimed at highlighting resources available to community members who have been impacted by sexual misconduct. Participants can talk with representatives from organizations such as, Pittsburgh Action Against Rape (PAAR), Student Health Services, and SAFE peer educators; learn more about how they can get involved in related student organizations; or take self-care items. This event is open to all Pitt community members.

***Creative Healing: Using Creative Expression to Stand with Survivors and Raise Awareness for Campus Sexual Violence***

*9:30 AM - 2:00 PM, Monday, April 10, 2023*

*William Pitt Union, Patio and Lawn*

Join the Sexual Assault Awareness Month Task Force and the Center4Creativity for a creative expression event. Creative Healing will feature multiple stations that will allow students to create unique pieces of art that promote healing, awareness building and resiliency. All Pitt community members are welcome to stop by and create at this event.

***Circle Up! conversations on sexual agency and safety***

*6:30 - 8:00 PM, Tuesday, April 11, 2023*

*William Pitt Union, Room 630*

Circle Up is a community building tool that encourages participants to share and learn from one another in a safe and inclusive environment. This circle will focus on sexual agency. Conversations are facilitated by graduate prevention educators. An ice cream station will be available to Circle Up participants.

***Pittsburgh Universities Believe Survivors March***

*11:00 AM - 2:30 PM, Sunday, April 16, 2023*

*Carlow University 3333 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15213*

Join students from Pitt, Carlow, Chatham and Carnegie Mellon universities as we gather together to support survivors and march against campus sexual violence. The march will begin at Carlow University where participants can make signs. At 11:45 a.m. we will march through Oakland. The march will end with a survivor speak out at Pitt's Posvar Patio.



See [https://calendar.pitt.edu/department/office\\_of\\_academic\\_career\\_development](https://calendar.pitt.edu/department/office_of_academic_career_development) for more info.

### ***How to Negotiate for Your Next Opportunity***

*3:30 - 5:00 PM, Wednesday, April 12, 2023*

Are you feeling nervous and unprepared to negotiate an opportunity for yourself? Whether you are seeking a job, a training opportunity, or just the chance to acquire more experience, effective negotiation skills are vital to your career, but don't always come easily. During this session, presented by Jennifer Woodward, PhD (Vice Chancellor for Sponsored Programs and Research Operations), you will learn how to develop a negotiation strategy that will contribute to your future success. Tips and tricks for how to negotiate while maintaining positive relationships will be covered, as well as guidance regarding how to become a more confident and successful negotiator.



See <https://www.hsls.pitt.edu/calendar> for more info.

### ***Graphic Design with Canva***

*10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Monday, April 10, 2023*

Learn how to make attention-getting posters, presentation graphics, and social media posts with Canva, a free online graphic design platform. This 90 minutes hands-on class will show you how to create an account, find free templates and stock photos, upload your own images, and download or print your finished product. Basic elements of design will also be discussed.

### ***Painless Pubmed***

*2:00 - 3:00 PM, Monday, April 10, 2023*

This one hour workshop, highlighting the new version of PubMed, is designed to quickly introduce or update you about searching in the PubMed database. Offered bi-weekly, the topics include: building an effective search strategy, efficiently locating full text articles, and setting up your personal MyNCBI account. Need information for a grant application or a homework assignment? This painless one hour session offers a quick cure!

### ***Basic Endnote***

*9:00 - 10:30 AM, Tuesday, April 11, 2023*

This class is an introduction to the EndNote citation management software. After class, attendees will be able to: Add citations to an EndNote library; Add PDFs to a library and annotate them; Create in text citations and bibliographies in Word; Create an EndNote online account and sync it to an EndNote library.



## Health Sciences Library System

### **RCR: The New NIH Data Management & Sharing Plan: Where to Share Data**

*12:00 – 1:00 PM, Tuesday, April 11, 2023*

This is an encore presentation on NIH's new Policy for Data Management and Sharing (DMS Policy) that went into effect January 25, 2023. This Policy requires NIH-funded researchers to prospectively submit a plan outlining how scientific data from their research will be managed and shared. The Policy includes an expectation that researchers will maximize their data sharing within ethical, legal, or technical constraints, and explicitly encourages researchers to incorporate data sharing via deposit into a public repository into their standard research process.

### **Infographics: Sharing Information Visually**

*12:00 – 1:00 PM, Wednesday, April 12, 2023*

In this class, you'll learn what infographics are and how they can make it easier and more engaging to convey your information. The majority of this class will focus on demonstrating an online resource (Piktochart) so you will be ready to create your own infographics.

### **Gene Regulation**

*1:00 – 3:00 PM, Wednesday, April 12, 2023*

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#### **Additional Resources:**

Pitt-CIRTL website: [www.cirtl.pitt.edu](http://www.cirtl.pitt.edu)

CIRTL website: <http://www.cirtl.net/>

dB-SERC website: <http://www.dbserc.pitt.edu/>

UCTL website: [www.teaching.pitt.edu](http://www.teaching.pitt.edu)

Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion calendar:  
[https://calendar.pitt.edu/department/office\\_of\\_diversity\\_and\\_inclusion/calendar](https://calendar.pitt.edu/department/office_of_diversity_and_inclusion/calendar)

OACD website: [www.oacd.health.pitt.edu](http://www.oacd.health.pitt.edu)

OACD Video Library: <https://www.oacd.health.pitt.edu/video-library>

AME website: [www.ame.pitt.edu](http://www.ame.pitt.edu)