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LIFE SCIENCES CAREER EXPO 2021

PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS



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WHAT IS THE LIFE SCIENCES CAREER EXPO (LSCE)?

The LSCE is a virtual, national, multi-day careers conference designed to bring together students and postdoctoral fellows with educators, researchers, industry partners and government stakeholders. These professionals have a shared common interest to educate the next generation of trainees about diverse careers.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- KEYNOTE PANEL
- CAREER PANEL
- COMPANY SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATIONS
- PROFESSIONAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS
- JOB SIMULATIONS PROGRAM
- 3-MINUTE THESIS (3MT) COMPETITION
- NETWORKING COMPANY BOOTHS
- INFORMATIONAL INTERVIEWS

PRESENTED BY THE LIFE SCIENCES CAREER DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO, AND THE CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR
MOLECULAR BIOSCIENCES

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- EVENTS AND PROGRAMMING -

KEYNOTE PANEL

Interactive discussions led by key leaders in industry and academia. Our focus panels will address current topics, such as:

- Al, the Future of Health, Research, and Work
- Educating Next-Gen Researchers
- Transitioning Successfully from School to Work
- Navigating the Post-COVID Job Market

CAREER PANEL

Each career panel will focus on a different industry. The panels will consist of 3-4 speakers, who can speak to their personal career journeys and their current roles and responsibilities.

Each session will be in a moderated Q&A format, with an opportunity for the audience to submit their questions in real time.

Sessions: Academia and Beyond, Public Sector (Gov't/Nonprofit), Biotech, Pharma and Research, and the Private Sector (Consulting/IB/VC)

COMPANY SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATIONS

Company-driven information sessions designed to provide the audience with insights surrounding topics, such as the organization's mission and vision, company culture, and the available opportunities to get involved.

In concurrent sessions, each company will have a 20-minute presentation, followed by 5 minutes of audience Q&A.

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PROFESSIONAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Workshops designed to facilitate professional development by providing relevant and impactful skill-building exercises in collaboration with various partnering organizations.

JOB SIMULATIONS PROGRAM

Workshops designed to give trainees an example of what a professional in this field might experience.

Day one provides an overview of the industry and some guidance on a micro-project which the participants will work on overnight. Micro-projects will be presented or discussed in more detail on day two.

Streams: Healthcare Consulting, Scientific Editing, and Medical Affairs

3-MINUTE THESIS (3MT) COMPETITION

The 3-Minute Thesis (3MT) is an academic competition that fosters effective presentations and communication skills among graduate trainees. Participants have just **3 minutes** to explain the breadth and significance of their research projects using a static slide to a non-specialist audience.

Trainees are invited to **submit video recordings** of their 3MT submissions, and will be evaluated by a panel of judges, as well as other attendees during an dedicated viewing session.

The top **presenters** will then be given an opportunity to present their 3MT to a live audience on Wednesday, May 19th, for a chance to win up to \$500.

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NETWORKING COMPANY BOOTHS

Open networking opportunity for trainees to visit participating companies in a virtual setting. Each company will have their own virtual booth, and trainees will be able to live-chat with representatives during the designated session.

INFORMATIONAL INTERVIEWS

A one-on-one opportunity for trainees to have a chat with a company representative. Each session is 10 minutes long, and the participating company representative will have the opportunity to meet with six (6) invited trainees over the 1 hour session.

Interested trainees are asked to submit a one (1) page resume at the time of registration. Next, the collected resumes will be sent to the participating companies for review and selection. Successful candidates will receive an invitation from the LSCE team on behalf of the company, and they will be given 48 hours to accept the invitation before it is forfeit.

Prior to the informational interview, participating trainees will be assigned a specific time slot on their designated date, and will have 10 minutes to chat with their matched company representative.