

**GLOBAL ARTS + HUMANITIES DISCOVERY THEME**  
**IMAGINED FUTURES**  
**CAREER ALLIES ACADEMY**

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**DEADLINE March 15, 2025**

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## **PURPOSE**

Today's graduate alumni are choosing many different career pathways. They need career allies to broaden the definition of career success, help them imagine paths forward and prepare them to use their education in many kinds of meaningful work. The Imagined Futures Career Allies Academy is designed for chairs and directors, directors of graduate studies and graduate program coordinators to build skills in:

- + Guiding graduate students' career exploration.
- + Teaching students to translate skills to seek jobs beyond the professoriate.
- + Integrating career diversity across the breadth of graduate programming.

## **OVERVIEW AND OUTCOMES**

The Career Allies Academy will consist of eight two-hour meetings across the academic year, with some asynchronous work required between meetings. Participants must attend all sessions, barring exceptional circumstances. Meetings will address:

- + Mentoring students for a variety of careers
- + Integrating career exploration and preparation into each phase of graduate education
- + Building broadly-valued transferable skills into existing graduate courses
- + Utilizing data to design and/or revise graduate program content and practices
- + Small changes that have a big impact on students' professional trajectories

Upon completion of the Career Allies Academy, each participant will have developed a plan for sustainable integration of graduate student career development in their own program. Participants may apply for additional funding to support a project that advances the mission of Imagined Futures within or across academic units. Projects might include: curricular changes that integrate transferable skills or experiential learning, improved processes of outcomes data collection and reporting, using engagement with alumni working outside the professoriate to inform graduate program design, etc. Project support will be assessed on a case-by-case basis, contingent upon strength of proposal, alignment with best practices and availability of funds.

## **COMPENSATION**

Faculty participants may receive a course buyout at the lecturer rate (\$7,000) or \$5,000 in research funds. Staff participants will receive a \$5,000 cash supplement.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Chairs/directors, directors/coordinators of graduate studies programs. Chair concurrence is required.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Applicants should complete the following webform: [go.osu.edu/career-allies-academy-application](https://go.osu.edu/career-allies-academy-application)

## **TIMELINE**

- + **Application deadline:** March 15, 2025
- + **Decisions announced:** April 1, 2025

## **PROGRAM DATES (All meetings take place from 9-11 a.m.)**

September 19 • October 10 • November 14 • December 12 • January 23 • February 20 • March 27 • May 8

## **CONTACT**

Applicants may email questions to Imagined Futures Director Danielle Fosler-Lussier ([fosler-lussier.2](mailto:fosler-lussier.2)).