



February 22-24

## RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM

### Thursday, February 23

- 9-10 am *Research & Development Symposium*  
**CAREERS IN NON-ACADEMIC SETTINGS** HS 102  
This session is for current and prospective PhD students to learn from some of our most successful PhD alums who have research careers in non-academic settings.  
*Panelists: Drs. David Blanchett, David Nanigian, & Tao Guo*
- 10-11 am *Research & Development Symposium*  
**INTERVIEWING FOR ACADEMIC JOBS** HS 102  
This session is for current and prospective PhD students to learn from some of our most successful PhD alums who are involved in hiring PhDs into academic positions.  
*Panelists: Drs. Jacob Sybrowsky, Lami Olajide, & Mark Evers*
- 11:30 am-1 pm **LUNCH WITH PhD ALUMNI** HS 102  
*Hosts: Dottie Durband & Sandra Huston*  
*Guests: David Blanchett, David Nanigian, Tao Guo, Jacob Sybrowsky, Lami Olajide, & Mark Evers*
- 11:30 am-1 pm **LUNCH WITH INVITED ALUMNI** HS 167C  
*Hosts: Sonya Lutter & Michael Guillemette*  
*Guests: Jason McGarraugh, Heath Jackson, Tess Downing, Dan Mauck, Kati Romines-Starkey, Dennis Moore, & Aubrey Moore*
- 1:30-2:30 pm *Research & Development Symposium*  
**CREATING YOUR OWN STUDY GROUP** HS 102  
This session is for all students and alumni to learn about the advantages of forming professional study groups. This is a panel Q&A with consultants and study group members.  
*Panelists: Jason McGarraugh, Heath Jackson, & Kati Romines-Starkey*
- 2:30-4 pm *Research & Development Symposium*  
**RESEARCH POSTER COMPETITION** El Centro  
Current doctoral students will present their research to be critiqued by PhD alums. All are welcome to browse the posters.  
*Judges: Drs. David Nanigian, Lami Olajide, Mark Evers, & Benjamin Cummings*  
*Posters: Nasima Khatun, Turner Amacher, Ohireime Ojeomogha, Van Dihn, Vikesh Kumar, Mikel Van Cleve, Tanaka Chimbane*
- 7-10 pm Casino Night hosted by PFPA Texas Tech Club West Side Stadium (Club Level)

## Friday, February 24

- 8:30-10 am     **PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING CLINIC OPEN HOUSE**     1901 University Avenue  
Please stop by the Charles Schwab Foundation at the Texas Tech Plaza, Suite 305  
to see the new community clinic.
- 11am-12 pm     *Research & Development Symposium*  
**ADJUNCT TEACHING**     HS 102  
*Host: Sandra Huston*  
*Panelists: Brooke Cassady, Brandon Ratzlaff, & Justin Price*  
This session is available to all graduate students and alumni to learn about how to get  
engaged with adjunct teaching in the School of Financial Planning.
- 12-1:30 pm     **LUNCH WITH INVITED ALUMNI**     Off-campus  
*Hosts: Sandra Huston*  
*Guests: Brooke Cassady, Brandon Ratzlaff, & Justin Price*
- 1-2:30 pm     *Research & Development Symposium*  
**PHD ALUMNI PANEL**     HS 102  
*Moderators: Sonya Lutter & Chris Browning*  
*Panelists: Drs. Michael Guillemette, Lami Olajide, & Benjamin Cummings*  
This session is for current and prospective doctoral students to learn how to create a  
research niche and become an expert with your topic. We will hear tips from PhD  
alumni on how to be successful with writing your dissertation and things they wish they  
would have known about entering academia.
- 5:30-6:30 pm     **OPPORTUNITY DAYS RECEPTION & CASH BAR**     TTU Frazier Alumni Pavilion
- 6:30-9:30 pm     **OPPORTUNITY DAYS AWARDS BANQUET**     TTU Frazier Alumni Pavilion