## UC RIVERSIDE

## POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT TALK



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## THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED: EXPLORING NON-ACADEMIC CAREERS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

This presentation aims to provide graduate students in political science with actionable insights into exploring non-academic career paths within higher education. Drawing on the transferable skills developed through a political science PhD, the session will address key strategies for navigating this transition, including collaborating with faculty advisors, networking effectively while completing your degree, and identifying pathways aligned with individual interests. Additionally, we will explore proactive approaches to securing opportunities that lay the groundwork for post-graduation success. I will speak to my own experience that led me to the Divisional Financial Administrative Officer role after completing a PhD in political science. A special focus will be given to overcoming challenges such as balancing engagement with the discipline while pursuing a non-academic career. Attendees will leave with practical tools and a clearer roadmap for achieving their professional goals beyond the traditional academic track.

TIME
Monday, March 3, 2025
12:10PM-1:30PM

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