LSA-ADVANCE Workshops for Faculty 2022-23

* Most workshops are open to all Faculty, campus-wide. Workshops with asterisks are open to LSA Faculty only. For more information, please contact advanceprogram@umich.edu.

Writing a Competitive Research Grant Proposal – Friday, September 23, 2022, 10:00am-12:00pm (Weiser Hall, Room 1010)

This workshop outlines strategies for developing a persuasive grant proposal that is responsive to sponsor priorities. Focusing on proposals that are driven by a hypothesis and/or research question, the presenter will offer an overview of crucial pre-proposal preparation, from assessing readiness, to analyzing funders, to understanding the review process. The presenter will also look at proposal components, structure, writing style and common errors.

Host: Isis Settles, LSA Associate Dean for DEI
Presenter: Jill Jividen, PhD, Director for Research Development, Office of the Vice President for Research

Conflict in the Classroom – Friday, October 14, 2022, 10:00am-12:00pm (Weiser Hall, Room 1010)

Conflict in the Classroom focuses on a conversation between students that moves quickly from a typical discussion to a charged argument. It raises questions about how students' different knowledge bases and lived experiences affect the way they approach and engage course content, what constitutes a "productive" discussion, and what responsibility instructors have for productively dealing with conflicting perspectives that emerge in their classrooms.

Host: Isis Settles, LSA Associate Dean for DEI
Presenters: CRLT Players

Navigating the Third Year Review* – Thursday, November 3, 2022, 2:30pm-4:00pm (LSA Building, Room 1040)
(open to LSA faculty only)

This session, designed for LSA Assistant Professors in their 2nd or 3rd year, will offer an overview of the third-year review and answer faculty's questions about the process. The session will focus on two key documents that faculty prepare for the review: the research statement and the teaching statement.

Host/Presenters: Isis Settles, LSA Associate Dean for DEI and Gregory Dowd, LSA Associate Dean for Humanities

How Do We Begin: A Historical Reckoning with Anti-Black Racism at U-M – Friday, November 11, 2022, 10:00am-12:00pm (Virtual)

Written by guest playwright and U-M alumnx Jordan Harris, this short series of plays illuminates U-M’s complicated relationship to elitism and racial inequity. Using Matthew Johnson’s book Undermining Racial Justice (a historical analysis of the admissions processes at U-M) as an entry point, the play examines how American colleges and universities— and U-M specifically—have perpetuated anti-Blackness while simultaneously benefiting from their association with inclusive values. Through a series of facilitated discussion and activities, participants will wrestle with a central question: with an understanding of our inequitable past and present, how will we imagine and pursue a racially just future?

Host: Isis Settles, LSA Associate Dean for DEI
Presenters: CRLT Players
**Everything is Fine!: Rethinking Graduate Student Mentoring** – Friday, December 2, 2022, 10:00am-12:00pm (Weiser Hall, Room 1010)

Through a dramatized series of conversations between graduate students and their advisors, *Everything is Fine!: Rethinking Graduate Student Mentoring* explores the impact of structural and interpersonal issues on graduate student mentoring. To examine challenges related to mental health and mentoring across different identities, depicted scenarios include candid peer-to-peer discussions of personal and academic challenges as well as more formal advisor-mentee meetings. This piece also takes into account the additional challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic to graduate student mentoring. Audiences will engage with the performance by thinking through strategies to improve their interactions within advisee-mentee relationships via facilitated discussion.

**The theatrical portion of this session contains strong language and descriptions of challenges related to immigration status, mental health, race, political unrest, and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.**

Host: Isis Settles, LSA Associate Dean for DEI
Presenters: CRLT Players

**Getting Your Book Published: Publishers’ and Authors’ Perspectives** – Wednesday, January 11, 2023, 3:30-5:00pm (Virtual)

Becoming a published scholarly writer is part of what it means to be a professional academic. However, there are specific skills for the academic author to learn—from proposal to manuscript to first book and on to the books that will follow. This session will focus on the professional publishing knowledge every academic writer needs. Experts in academic publishing will address the key issues, review options and strategies, and field questions. In addition, a LSA faculty member who has recently successfully navigated the publishing process will sit on the panel to share his experience and advice. This workshop is designed primarily for faculty members in "book" fields in the humanities and social sciences, and will focus on individual monographs.

Host: Isis Settles, LSA Associate Dean for DEI
Moderator: Gregory Dowd, Associate Dean for Humanities, College of Literature Sciences and Arts

**Promotion of Tenure-Track Faculty: Associate to Full** – Thursday, February 16, 2023, 5:30-7:00pm (LOCATION TBD)

This session for associate professors offers an opportunity for informational exchange and candid dialogue regarding the promotion to full professor review process in the College.

Host: Anne Curzan, LSA Dean
Panelists: LSA Divisional Associate Deans, LSA Executive Committee Members

**Promotion of Tenure-Track Faculty: Pre-Tenure to Tenure** – Thursday, March 9, 2023, 5:30-7:00pm (LOCATION TBD)

This session is for pre-tenure assistant and associate professors and offers an opportunity for informational exchange and candid dialogue regarding the tenure review process in the College.

Host: Anne Curzan, LSA Dean
Panelists: LSA Divisional Associate Deans, LSA Executive Committee Members

**NSF CAREER Proposals Workshop** – Friday, March 24, 2022, 12:00-2:00pm (Palmer Commons Forum Hall)

This workshop is designed to introduce the requirements of the NSF CAREER proposals and to provide eligible assistant professors with suggestions for how to successfully apply. It will feature a panel including an NSF program director, successful LSA CAREER recipients, and an outreach coordinator from the U-M Museum of Natural History.

Host: Myron Campbell, LSA Associate Dean for Natural Sciences