



## Centre for Vaccine Preventable Diseases Fall Symposium - Soft skills for PhD students

The University of Toronto's Centre for Vaccine Preventable Diseases (CVPD) at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health is hosting a trainee session, funded by Merck Canada.

Please join us in-person on Friday, September 16, 2022, from 12:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Location: The Faculty Club, 41 Willcocks Street, Toronto, ON

This session will be focused on PhD students and will be centered around soft skills and career paths for graduate students.

By the end of the session, trainees will:

- Understand how to communicate scientific information to a variety of lay audiences
- Learn how to write effective funding proposals
- Become familiar with different career paths for PhD graduates in scientific disciplines
- Develop a network of other University of Toronto trainees at a similar career stage

Time	Session	Speaker
1:00 – 1:15	Welcome and introduction	<b>Dr. Shelly Bolotin</b> , Director of the Centre for Vaccine Preventable Diseases and Associate Professor, Dalla Lana School of Public Health and the Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology, University of Toronto, Scientist, Public Health Ontario
1:15 – 2:00	How to write an effective fellowship proposal	TBD
2:00 – 2:30	Science Communication	<b>Dr. Isaac Bogoch</b> , Clinician Investigator, University Health Network, Associate Professor, Faculty of Medicine
2:30 – 2:45	Break	All
2:45 – 3:15	Post PhD Career paths - Management consulting	<b>Dr. Chris Tait</b> , Project Leader at Boston Consulting Group (BCG), Assistant Professor at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto
3:15 – 3:45	Post PhD Career paths - Clinical microbiology	<b>Dr. Vanessa Tran</b> , Clinical microbiologist, Public Health Ontario, Assistant Professor, Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology, University of Toronto
3:45 – 4:45	Elevator pitch exercise	All

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