

Faculty Development Seminar Series – 2026-2027

9/15/2026 – The Ohio State University CTSI and Your Research Career

Presented by Julie A. Johnson, PharmD, Director and Principal Investigator of the Center for Clinical and Translational Science Institute

Discover how the Ohio State University Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) can be a catalyst for your research success. This seminar offers faculty members a deep dive into the resources, services and collaborative opportunities available through CTSI to support every stage of the research journey.

10/20/2026 - Predatory Publishing & Picking the Right Journal

Presented by Kerry Dhakal, MLS

Navigate the increasingly complex scholarly publishing landscape with confidence. This session will help faculty identify and avoid predatory publishers, evaluate journal quality and fit, and develop strategies for selecting publication venues that maximize the visibility, credibility, and impact of their research.

11/17/2026 - The Resilient Researcher: Health & Wellness Resources from the University

Presented by Arianna Galligher, LISW Director, Gabbe Well-Being Program

A successful research career depends on both professional achievement and personal well-being. This session will highlight university health and wellness resources, discuss strategies for managing stress and preventing burnout, and explore approaches for building resilience while balancing the demands of research, teaching, service, and life outside of work.

12/15/2026 - Research Integrity: Common Issues to Avoid

Presented by Jandy Hanna, Research Integrity Officer, ERIK

Research integrity is essential to maintaining trust in the scientific enterprise. This session will review common compliance and ethical challenges encountered by researchers, including data management, authorship, conflicts of interest, and responsible conduct of research, while providing practical guidance for avoiding potential pitfalls.

academia. The session will also address how to engage with journalists, anticipate media questions and maintain accuracy while promoting accessibility.

1/19/2027 – Polishing Your Personal Statement & Writing a Good Biosketch
Presented by Dr. Mark Hall, MD, FAAP, FCCM

Your personal statement and biosketch are critical components of fellowship, grant, and career development applications. This session will provide practical guidance on effectively communicating your research accomplishments, expertise, training, and future goals while tailoring your materials to specific funding opportunities and audiences. Participants will learn strategies for crafting compelling narratives that strengthen their professional profile and enhance the competitiveness of their applications.

2/16/2027 – How to Build an Effective Research Team
Presented by Dr. Jessica Fritter, DHSc, MACPR, ACRP-CP, FACRP

A strong research team is essential for sustaining productivity, innovation, and long-term success. This session will discuss strategies for recruiting and mentoring trainees and staff, fostering a positive team culture, defining roles and expectations, and developing leadership skills that support high-performing research environments.

3/16/2027 – Things I Wish I Knew as a Junior Faculty

Starting a faculty career comes with opportunities, challenges, and a steep learning curve. Join experienced faculty members as they share practical lessons learned, common pitfalls to avoid, and strategies for balancing research, teaching, service, and career advancement. This session offers candid advice and actionable insights to help early-career faculty navigate the path to success with greater confidence.

4/20/2027 – Applying for DOD Grants

Explore funding opportunities available through the Department of Defense and learn how they differ from traditional federal research programs. This session will provide an overview of the DOD funding landscape, highlight key components of competitive applications, and offer strategies for aligning your research with program priorities and review expectations.

5/18/2027 – The Transition from K to R

Presented by Dr. Amy Margolis, PhD, Psychiatry and Behavioral Health and Dr. Tamar Gur MD, PhD Psychiatry & Behavioral Health, Neuroscience, Obstetrics & Gynecology

Moving from career development funding to independent research support is a critical milestone for many investigators. This session will discuss strategies for preparing a successful transition from K-series to R-series funding, including building research independence, strengthening preliminary data, developing competitive applications, and establishing a sustainable research program.

6/15/2027 – Engaging Stakeholders

Presented by Dr. Micah Skeens, PhD, APRN, FAAN, CPNP-PC

Meaningful stakeholder engagement can strengthen research relevance, implementation, and impact. This session will explore approaches for identifying and partnering with patients, community members, practitioners, policymakers, and other stakeholders throughout the research process to enhance the quality and translation of scientific discoveries.

7/20/2027 - Managing Collaborations

Successful research collaborations require clear expectations, effective communication, and thoughtful planning from the outset. This session will explore strategies for defining roles and responsibilities, managing authorship and intellectual property considerations, coordinating data stewardship, and navigating sponsored research partnerships. Attendees will gain practical tools for building productive collaborations, addressing common challenges, and fostering strong professional relationships that support long-term research success.

8/17/2027 – Being a Visiting Scholar to Advance Your Career and Expand Your Network

Discover how a visiting scholar experience can accelerate your professional growth, expand your research network, and create new opportunities for collaboration. This session will explore the benefits of visiting appointments, strategies for identifying and securing opportunities, and practical tips for maximizing the impact of your experience on your research, career development, and long-term professional relationships.

