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Where Do I Go From Yale? Alumni Panel ~ February 5, 2025

Join us for a panel discussion featuring four Yale GSAS alumni, spanning four decades of graduates, who will share their experiences on navigating career paths during graduate school, the motivations behind changing careers, and the lessons they've learned along the way. Don't miss this opportunity to gain perspectives from alumni who have charted diverse and inspiring professional journeys.

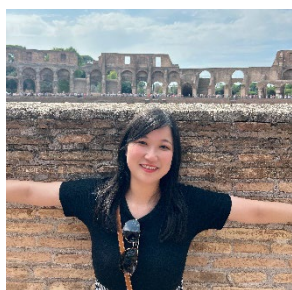
Jack Challis '09 PhD Physics



Jack Challis earned his PhD in Physics from Yale in 2009. After joining the San Francisco tech scene as a data scientist, he co-founded CliniCast, a clinical trial matching company. At Elekta, he directed analytics for intelligent cancer clinics, enhancing radiation therapy outcomes. In 2018 at Lucence Diagnostics, he led US operations for breakthrough liquid biopsy technology. Now at Fortrea, Jack drives MLOps initiatives, combining technological innovation with healthcare solutions.

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Xirou Li '21 PhD Cellular and Molecular Physiology



Xirou Li is the Senior Manager of Planning at Kyowa Kirin, where she leads strategy for the Global Development Division, oversees drug development pipelines, and drives global communications. Previously, she worked as a consultant at McKinsey, delivering innovative solutions and impact for pharmaceutical companies. Xirou holds a Ph.D. in Cellular and Molecular Physiology from Yale University.

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Steven Zhu '20 MS Statistics



Steven is the COO of Hirey, a leading recruiting platform backed by global investors, providing fast and reliable service to millions of users. Steven also serves on the board of Yale Graduate School Alumni Association.

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Moderator: Stacey R. Davis '99 PhD History



Stacey R. Davis, 1999 PhD in history, is a professor of French history at The Evergreen State College, a public liberal arts college in Washington state. She also serves as administrative leader for the college's Arts and Humanities division and First Year Faculty Fellow overseeing Evergreen's college-success curriculum for new students. She would be happy to chat with Yale graduate students about balancing commitments to research, pedagogy, and academic administration.

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