Where Do I Go from Yale? April 2024

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Virtual Sessions (75 min each) April 1–10, 2024

Day 1	Exploring Careers in Government and Public Policy
Monday, April 1 4-5:15 pm ET	Explore public service through careers in government agencies, policy-making institutes, foundations, and non-profit organizations. Engage with distinguished professionals who have dedicated their careers to public service, shaping policies, and driving social change. They will help you evaluate options in policy analysis, public administration, or contributing to a non-profit mission.
Day 2	Applying Graduate Study to a Career in Law
Wednesday, April 3 4-5:15 pm ET	Thinking about the law? Explore ways to leverage your field of graduate study – whether business, technology, humanities, social science, or the sciences – for jobs in the law. Learn how your Ph.D. and a law degree can provide you with a valuable edge in a legal career. And if you want to try out the law before committing three more years of your life to yet another graduate school, our panelists will tell you about law related jobs – such as science advisor or policy analyst – that you can do without a law degree and get a taste of the law.
Day 3	Discovering Careers in Data Science, AI, and Emerging Technologies
Monday, April 8 4-5:15 pm ET	Are you interested in a data scientist position in Silicon Valley, Big Pharma, or Wall Street? Learn about the experiences of industry experts, thought leaders, and successful professionals in data science, artificial intelligence, and other emerging information technologies. Discover diverse career opportunities from data analysis and machine learning to cutting-edge applications of artificial intelligence. This event will help you gain valuable industry insights and connect with potential employers at the forefront of innovation in these fields.
Day 4	Career Opportunities in Consulting and Finance
Wednesday, April 10 4-5:15 pm ET	Learn about career opportunities in the consulting industry (e.g., McKinsey, BCG), financial institutions (e.g., banks, hedge funds, private equity), and newer business ventures. Join seasoned consultants, rocket scientists-turned-quants, and entrepreneurs as they share their experiences and insights from domestic and international perspectives.

Nourish & Network: Student & Alums Dinner

Friday, April 12, 2024 @ 6:30 - 8:30 pm

14th Floor of Kline Tower

Yale Graduate Students in any year and in any department or program are invited to a casual buffet dinner with Graduate School Alumni Association Board (GSAAB) members and Where Do I Go from Yale panelists spanning 6 decades of graduates and a diverse representation of professional expertise.

This informal gathering promises an evening of engaging conversation and delectable cuisine. Discover the diverse, sometimes unexpected, journeys of our alums as they share their post-Yale experiences and the paths that led them to where they are today.

We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity for one-on-one discussions, table hopping, and mingling in intimate groups. Whether you can join us for a short time or stay for the entire two-hour event, your presence is valued.

In-person Sessions

Saturday, April 13, 2024

8:30 - 9:00 AM	Breakfast Reception
9:00 - 9:10 AM	Welcome and Introduction: Dean Lynn Cooley
9:20 – 10:20 AM	Strategies for Managing the Early Years of Grad School to Further Your
	Career
	[Concurrent Sessions in STEM and in Humanities and Social Sciences]
	This session is designed to provide you with practical advice and strategies to help you
	manage the early stages of your graduate career. Learn how to map the path early on
	from your chosen field of graduate study to the job you would like to have – through
	internships, choice of subject matter to focus on for your dissertation, early
	networking, and more.
10:20 - 10:50 AM	Networking Coffee Break
	Entering the Corporate World
	[Concurrent Sessions in STEM and in Humanities and Social Sciences]
	Join a discussion with industry professionals and alumni in the corporate world who
10:50 – 11:50 AM	have successfully leveraged their graduate school training to enter corporate life. Learn
10.30 - 11.30 AM	about effective networking and job search strategies, mastering interviews, and
	adapting to corporate culture. Also learn how to understand and present the value of
	the knowledge and skills you have acquired in your specific field of study to market
	yourself most effectively to corporate employers.
	Plenary Session: Exploring Research Options After the Ph.D.
12:00 - 1:00 PM	Wondering about options for doing research after grad school? Trying to decide
	between research scientist positions or postdoctoral positions, whether in academia,
	non-academic research institutions (e.g., NIH, FDA), or even corporate settings? In
	this session you'll hear the insights of seasoned researchers, professionals, and recent
	postdocs who have navigated diverse research landscapes. They'll help you explore the
	tradeoffs between research in academia and research in industry or research-focused
	non-academic institutions.
1:00 - 2:00 PM	Light Lunch and Networking

Linsly Chittenden Hall on Old Campus