



Professional Development for Graduate Students and Junior Faculty

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Preparing to go on the market

- What are your goals: R1? Liberal Arts? Community College? Something else?

Preparing your materials

- Your CV
- The Teaching Statement
- Syllabi
 - o Begin with the end in mind
 - o Student learning goals! (By the end of this course, the student will be able to....)
 - o Where does your course fit into the larger curriculum?
- Strategizing your committee and references
- Prepare a “best class”
- Be prepared to teach a class of your employing department’s choosing

Making yourself distinctive

- Doing work in SoTL
- Being familiar with assessment
- Do your homework
- Network
- Publish and present
 - o National, Regional, State-level conferences
 - o TRAILS for teaching tips
 - o TS for SoTL work

Resources:

- Mentoring programs:
- AKD
- ASA/DRG (for faculty)
- Virtual communities, e.g., TEACHSOC