

## Academic Job Search 101 - Career Resources

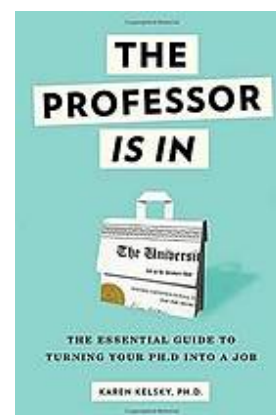
### Academic Career Resources

This section lists resources for those who are interested in landing a job in academia.

#### Career Books

These books (available at CaPS) provide career information, sample portfolios, sample cover letters and CVs, and useful resources on how to land an academic job.

- A guide to academia: Getting into and surviving grad school, postdocs and a research job
- A PhD is not enough! A guide to survival in science
- Mapping your academic career
- Surviving your academic job hunt: Advice for humanities PhDs
- The academic job search handbook
- The PhD handbook for the academic job search: An owner's manual for finding jobs
- The Professor is in: The essential guide to turning your Ph.D. into a job



#### Job Search Websites

The following websites list faculty positions, research positions, post-doc positions, associate positions, and administrative and executive positions.

- Canada - University Affairs <https://www.universityaffairs.ca/search-job/>
- USA – Vitae (The Chronicle of Higher Education) [https://chroniclevitae.com/job\\_search/new](https://chroniclevitae.com/job_search/new)
- Academic 360 <http://www.academic360.com/jobs/>
- Higher Education Recruitment Consortium <https://www.hercjobs.org/index.html>
- Higher Ed Jobs <https://www.higheredjobs.com/search/>
- Inside Higher Ed Careers <https://careers.insidehighered.com/>

#### Networking Groups

Consider joining one or more groups listed below to build your network and find job leads.

- McGillConnect <http://myalumni.mcgill.ca/s/1762/gid2/interior-connect.aspx?sid=1762&gid=2&pgid=412>
- Association of Postdoctoral Fellows of McGill University <https://postdocassociation.wordpress.com/>
- Academia <https://www.academia.edu/>
- Academic Jobs Wiki [http://academicjobs.wikia.com/wiki/Academic\\_Jobs\\_Wiki](http://academicjobs.wikia.com/wiki/Academic_Jobs_Wiki)

#### Articles of Interest

These articles will give you useful tips and advice on how to land an academic job.

- Tips for success on your path to tenure (Elsevier) <https://www.elsevier.com/connect/tips-for-success-on-your-path-to-tenure>
- Strategies for landing your first academic position (UA) <https://www.universityaffairs.ca/career-advice/career-advice-article/strategies-for-landing-your-first-academic-position.aspx/>

For more academic career resources including interview tips, salary information, samples resumes, job websites:

- CaPS – Academic Careers <https://www.mcgill.ca/caps/students/grad/academic>

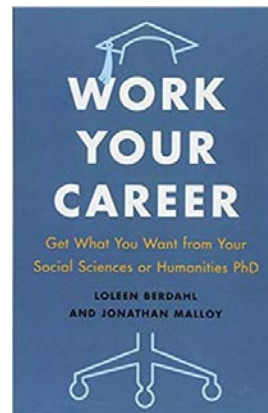
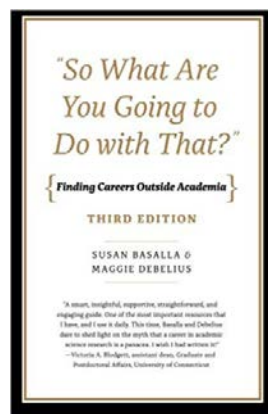
## Non-Academic Career Resources

The section lists resources for those who are interested in careers outside academia.

### Career Books

The following books (available at CaPS) provides alternative careers.

- “So what are you going to do with that?” Finding careers outside academia
- Alternative careers in science: Leaving the ivory tower
- Navigating the path to industry: A hiring manager’s advice for academics looking for a job in industry
- Next gen PhD: A guide to career paths in science
- Work your career: Get what you want from your social sciences or humanities PhD



### Articles of Interest

These articles will give you useful tips on how to transfer your skills to industry setting and find opportunities beyond academia.

- How to get a job working for the federal public service  
<http://www.universityaffairs.ca/career-advice/career-advice-article/non-academic-careers/>
- Science alternative (Oxford University)  
<http://www.careers.ox.ac.uk/science-alternatives/>
- Science careers outside of academe (UA)  
<http://www.universityaffairs.ca/opinion/the-black-hole/science-careers-outside-academe/>
- Video: Deciding on a career inside or outside of academia (UA)  
<https://www.universityaffairs.ca/career-advice/career-advice-article/video-deciding-on-a-career-inside-or-outside-academia/>

### Job Search Websites

The following websites lists industry jobs.

- Directory: Science Jobs [http://mcgillcaps.ca/directory/wpbdp\\_category/science-jobs/](http://mcgillcaps.ca/directory/wpbdp_category/science-jobs/)
- Directory: Social Science Jobs [http://mcgillcaps.ca/directory/wpbdp\\_category/social-sciences-jobs/](http://mcgillcaps.ca/directory/wpbdp_category/social-sciences-jobs/)
- Vault Career Insider <https://careerinsider.vault.com/career-insider-login.aspx?parrefer=7165>  
(Registration with your McGill email is required). This site publishes industry guides: Consulting, Pharma, IT, etc.

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- The Versatile PhD <https://versatilephd.com/>
- Imagine PhD <https://www.imaginephd.com/>
- #alt-academy <https://altacademy.wufoo.com/reports/who-we-are/>
- Directory of Scientists and Professionals <https://profils-profiles.science.gc.ca/en/>

For more non-academic career resources including career planning tips and sample non-academic resumes:

- CaPS – Non-Academic Careers <http://www.mcgill.ca/caps/students/grad/nonacademic>
- CaPS – Science Graduates <https://www.mcgill.ca/caps/students/grad/science>
- CaPS – Social Science Graduates <https://www.mcgill.ca/caps/students/grad/humanity>