

Post-Graduate Career Pathways Program

Congratulations to our incoming
2019-2020 cohort

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**Master's in Business
Administration**

**Advisor:
Dr. Lisa Davis**



My short-term goal is to learn more about auditing throughout my study in addition to passing the CMA exam this year and the CPA exam next year. As far as long term plans, I want to be a leader who can facilitate relationships with people from diverse backgrounds, and be a mentor who can inspire and empower others.

I would hope to gain hands-on experience and valuable advice from industry professionals. I am confident my skills and competencies that I will be acquiring from The Post-Master's Career Pathways Program will translate well into a fulfilling career after graduation.

Camille Morris


**Communication
Studies MA student,
Communication
Department**

**Advisor:
Dr. Jennifer Guthrie**



I have always planned to be in a position that allows me to better both companies and people. With a passion for interpersonal communication, an interest in conflict management, and a focus on critical cultural studies, I hope to improve the way organizations and individuals communicate in an effective, appropriate and empathic way.

By taking part in this program, I hope to garner a better understanding of how to navigate the career landscape and tailor my skills to specific places of employment. I also plan on receiving more practical advice for navigating the employment search like best practices for cover letters and what to do after applying.

CARLOS CISNEROS

**Master's student,
Department of Social
Work**

**Advisor: Dr. Mary-
Ann Overcamp-
Martini**



Upon graduation, I wish to pursue a career as a director of behavioral health. As a veteran transitioning from eight years of service I am hopeful for what the future may bring. Participating in the Post-Master's Career Pathways Program will ensure a seamless transition from graduate school to a successful career. Additionally, the program will increase my professional knowledge and skills to acquire those leadership roles once the time comes.

Curtis Chamblee

**Masters student,
Department of
Communication
Studies**

**Advisor: Dr.
Natalie Pennington**



I am a second year Masters student in the Communication Studies department. My research areas are communication messaging and where people look for social support. I am also interested in popular culture, race and political rhetoric.

I see myself having a career in academic advising there I can guide and motivate students through their academic careers. As a former athlete, I tend to gravitate toward advising both student-athletes. I understand that it can be extremely difficult balancing college athletic career and academic studies simultaneously. I also would like to advise first generation college students to help navigate there way through both university and academia life.

Participating in the Post-Graduate career Pathways Program will give me advantages and opportunities to be a successful and a more marketable candidate for job employment after graduate school. One of the unique aspects I want to take full advantage of in the Post-Graduate career Pathways Program is job shadowing a professional who is already in academic advising. This hands-on experience will give me a leg up on others in the job market competing for similar positions.

Doreen(Linlin) Duo




**Master student,
College of Business &
the William F. Harrah
College of Hospitality**



- I am passionate about hotel operations and revenue management. My past experiences made me focus on the sustainability side of hotel management and the value of care and support from the organization people are in. I have therefore developed a vision of hotel management with sustainability as a result of these experiences. Yet I have remained powerless in achieving the goal at this point of time, impeded my relatively basic academic exposure to hospitality management and short professional experiences in the industry, as well as a small network of likeminded professionals to work for the goal together. With the Post-Graduate Career Pathways program, I will be able to develop all these three aspects and progress closer to my career goal which is to oversee the hotel management and grow with company together with sustainability as a result.
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**Advisor:
Dr. Tony L. Henthorne**

Guadalupe Negrete


**Master of Arts
student, Department
Of Communication
Studies
Advisor: Dr. Tara
McManus**



Upon the completion of my master's program, I hope to enter the field of public relations. I would love to be able to obtain a job where I can help organizations, as well as individuals, tell their stories and help them gain the recognition they desire. I also would love a job where I can express my creativity and be able to feel like I play a small part in the success of a company, brand or person's career. I am really looking forward to the mock interview and resume review part of the program since job interviews have always been very anxiety provoking for me, and I've always felt that I have never been well prepared for them. I hope that after completing this program I will be able to gain more confidence for when I start applying for jobs post-graduation.

Holly Martin


Ph.D. candidate
School of Life
Sciences

Advisor:
Dr. Eduardo Robleto



My career goal is to direct a team of scientists to solve health-related problems. I am currently considering a few positions to meet this goal including Research Director or Corporate Executive at biotechnology company, Program Officer for a funding agency, and Professor.

By participating in the Post-Graduate Career Pathways Program, I hope that I will be more prepared to pursue my career goal in many ways. The exposure to careers outside of academics will help me understand what pathway is best for me. Since my career thus far has been within Academics, I have limited exposure to other types of jobs and if I would enjoy and succeed at those jobs. I believe that all practice for the job-seeking process is beneficial. Every interview, regardless of the outcome, is practice for the next interview. I hope my participating helps me clarify what career path I would like to pursue after graduation.

Jennifer Clark

**Ph.D Candidate,
Biological Sciences**

**Advisor:
Dr. Allen Gibbs**



Once I graduate with my Ph.D. in Biological Sciences, I plan to start my own business growing gourmet and medicinal mushrooms in an indoor vertical farm. This may seem like quite a divergence from studying how fruit flies have evolved under starvation selection in the lab to become obese, but this is certainly the next step in the evolution of my career. While studying how hormones and nutrition affect fruit fly larval development and adult obesity and starvation resistance, I have reviewed an immense amount of research on human nutrition, fasting for health, and food as medicine. My family, friends, and intro biology students can attest to my enthusiasm for learning and teaching nutrition science. I found myself on this path because for a long time it has been my explicit goal to find out how to live the healthiest life I can. I want to avoid the most dreaded diseases while living a verdant life. I want to help my family with their heart disease, reverse my father's type II diabetes, and prevent Alzheimer's and dementia.

Jillian Socea

**Ph.D. candidate,
Department of
Microbiology**

**Advisor: Dr. Helen
Wing**



Upon completion of my Ph.D. in Microbiology, I hope to attain a job in science policy. I am passionate about enhancing communication between the general public and professional sciences to build trust and boost understanding of the importance of science in everyday life.

I hope that by participating in this program I will strengthen my communication skills, broaden my network, and learn more about policy development. As a UNLV graduate, I take great pride in my community and I would love to have the opportunity to continue to work and thrive in this environment!

LYDIA NORMAN


**MBA – HR Mgmt
candidate,
Department of
Management,
Entrepreneurship,
and Technology**

**Advisor:
Dr. Vincent Chu**



As an advocate for people with disabilities in the workplace, I have a keen interest in Diversity and Inclusion. I also am interested in how to create workplace environments which are inclusive and productive for all employees despite their demographics. I hope to gain exposure to general Human Resource Department functions, as well as in Inclusion/Diversity and Training/Development, as these two areas align closely to my future career goal.

**MONICA
SINHA**

**Master's Student,
School of Public health**

**Advisor: Dr. Neeraj
Bhandari**



Monica Sinha is a licensed Dentist from India. While practicing dentistry in India she realizes a huge communication barrier among administration and clinician in a health care facility. This inspired her to enroll in MPH with Health Care Administration track.

She is interested to work with the hospital administration. Being a clinician will help her understand both sided views. She also wants to develop her skills into operation management, patient satisfaction and HR.

In 2018-2019, she was a Graduate Liaison with Public Health Student Association and Vice President, Finance with Health Care Administration Student Association. In 2019-20120 she is a Graduate Ambassador at UNLV.

She is also a recipient of The Guinan and Gerstenberg scholarship, Joan Essex scholarship, UNLV Impact Gold Award for community engagement, GPSA book scholarship, LEAD scholarship, Travel scholarship for Capitol Hill Days, 2019.

Rosey Le

**M.S. Student,
School of Life
Sciences**

**Advisor: Dr. Frank
van Breukelen**



My academic background lies in the field of comparative physiology. Currently, I am a master's student studying how animals hibernate in the tropics. Previously, I have studied Venezuelan fish embryos who can survive for months without oxygen or water!

Throughout my time in academic research, I have had several opportunities to teach and mentor students in science. These opportunities combined with my own experience as a student have highlighted my desire to work in a field where I can improve the conditions, accessibility, and tools for those who have an interest in learning science, in all walks and stages of life.




Through the Career Pathways Program I hope to broaden my view of the types of careers available in non-academic science education. I look forward to cultivating meaningful relationships with people in this field to open possibilities of future collaborations.

Sara Shaw



**PhD candidate,
Department of
Teaching and
Learning**

**Advisor: Dr. Howard
Gordon**



I would like to develop the competencies to pursue a position as an administrative academic professional. Through the Career Pathways program, I would explore the foundations and best practices regarding organization, management, and goal setting within educational institutions. I am eager to receive guidance toward this goal along with a development path to which I can attend as a student and beyond. Further, I hope to gain insight of the day-to-day operations which will inform my strategic plan and objectives. Additionally, I hope to increase my confidence, knowledge, and preparation that will support my future goals.

Yu-Jung (Jack) Yao


**Master of Business
Administration, Lee
Business School**

**Advisor:
Dr. Lisa Davis**



I am passionate and interested in the auditing career. My short-term goal is to complete the CPA exam as I had recently completed the CIA exam and the CFE exam. I would love to become a well-rounded auditor by developing expertise in Financial Audits, Internal Audits, IT Audits, etc.

My long-term goal is to become a leader in the industry by serving on Board/Audit Committee and inspiring those who are also interested in the auditing career. I love to work with professionals from different backgrounds as I could learn more about different cultures and industry practices.

I hope to gain valuable experiences and networking opportunities through this program. I am confident that this program will help me to achieve a fruitful career upon graduation.