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Spring 2022 Workshops for Graduate Students *Preparing for the Job Market: Successful Zoom Interviews*

The academic job market is more competitive than ever, and now prospective candidates must be prepared for screening and extended interviews (what we used to call the “on-campus interview”) conducted entirely on Zoom. In this three part series, you will learn how to prepare for interviews, how to prepare a teaching demonstration, and how to prepare your “job talk” (the overview of your research required for most searches). This series of short, high-impact workshops will prepare you for the new reality of the academic job market. Register for all three or choose those you need most.

Workshop 1: Making a Strong Impression in Zoom Interviews

Friday, February 18, 10:00 – 11:15 am, Zoom

Registration: https://albany.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_38BBdPV2XQJPrSu

If you’re getting ready for the academic job market or you’re on it, you must be prepared for interviews in the age of Zoom! In this interactive workshop, you’ll learn about the different purposes of interviews and the best ways to prepare for them. You’ll leave with a clearer sense of what to expect during interviews, how to avoid potential pitfalls, and how to make the most of the Zoom platform so that you come across as the calm, collected professional they are looking for. You will have an opportunity to begin planning for the interview and be invited to work further on your interview skills and strategies with an ITLAL consultant.

Workshop 2: Powerful Zoom Teaching Demonstrations

Thursday, February 24, 10:00 – 11:15 am, Zoom

Registration: https://albany.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7X4jjFaruQruYg6

Are you ready to demonstrate your teaching skills on the Zoom platform? Don’t wait to prepare! Whether you’re applying for a teaching-focused or a research-focused faculty position, you will be required to demonstrate your teaching ability during the extended interview (what we used to call the “on-campus interview”). This interactive workshop will help you make good decisions based on the context of the demonstrations you may be asked to do and give you some ideas of how to best communicate your teaching skills in this high-pressure situation. You will have an opportunity to begin planning for the teaching demonstration and be invited to work further on the demonstration with an ITLAL consultant.

Workshop 3: Secrets of an Excellent Zoom Job Talk

Friday, March 4, 2:00 – 3:15 pm, Zoom

Registration: https://albany.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9Fj9KcHnjQpRxZA

Whether you are interviewing for a position that focuses on teaching or research, you are likely going to be asked to give the “job talk,” where you share your research with the search committee and other attendees. But what are you really being asked to do when you give the job talk? If you don’t know the secrets of the job talk you risk confusing or boring your audience during this crucial part of the extended interview (what we used to call the “on-campus interview”). In this interactive workshop you’ll learn how to create a Zoom job talk that impresses the audience and communicates more than just your research. You will have an opportunity to begin planning for the job talk and be invited to work further on the job talk with an ITLAL consultant.

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