



***SEC Emerging Scholars Career Preparation Workshop  
October 1 – 3, 2023 (Hosted by the University of Arkansas)***

**Sunday, October 1, 2023**

- 4:00 p.m.**                    **Check in to The Graduate Hotel**
- 4:00 – 11:50 pm**        **Setup of institutional tables for Monday’s Networking Across SEC session**
- 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**        **Networking Dinner at various Fayetteville Restaurants**  
(Hills Hideaway restaurant – a 12-minute walk; others by the hotel)

**Monday, October 2, 2023<sup>1</sup>**

- 8:00 a.m.**                    **Networking Breakfast (seating assigned by discipline)**
- 8:30 – 9 a.m.**                **Welcome**  
Dr. Anna Zajicek, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs
- Opening Remarks**  
Dr. LeNá Powe McDonald, SEC Associate Commissioner for Academic Relations  
Dr. Terry Martin, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor  
Dr. Ed Pohl, Dean, Graduate School and International Education
- SEC Emerging Scholars Videos**
- 9:00 – 9:40 a.m.**        **Keynote Address: “Educate, Research, Inspire: The Appeal of an Academic Career Path”**  
Dr. Kim Needy, Dean, College of Engineering
- 9:40 – 9:50 a.m.**        **SEC Emerging Scholars Videos**
- 9:50 – 10:00 a.m.**        **Break**
- 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.**    **Navigating the Academic Job Market: How to Search, Apply**  
**Moderator:** Dr. Jim Gigantino, Vice-Provost for Academic Affairs  
Dr. Alexia Angton, Assistant Professor, Sociology and Criminology  
Dr. Brett Ranon, Assistant Professor, Adult and Lifelong Learning  
Dr. Maribeth Latvis, Assistant Professor, Biological Sciences

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**Monday, October 2, 2023 (continued)**

**11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Written Materials: Statements on Teaching, Research, and Inclusive Excellence**

**Moderator:** Dr. Lindsay Aloia, Associate Dean, Graduate School and International Education

Dr. Richard Cassady, Professor, Industrial Engineering

Dr. Michelle Evans-White, Department Chair, Biological Sciences

Romona West, J.D., Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

**12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch and SEC Emerging Scholars Videos**

**1:05 – 1:35 p.m. Preparing for Screening Interview vs. Job Talk**

**Moderator:** Dr. Ed Bengston, Associate Dean, Graduate School and International Education

Dr. Stephanie Schulte, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Trey Malone, Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness

Dr. Haoming Shen, Assistant Professor, Industrial Engineering

**1:35 – 2:15 p.m. From Students to Provosts: Navigating the Campus Interview Landscape**

**Moderator:** Dr. Lindsay Aloia, Associate Dean, Graduate School and International Education

Dr. Justin Gage, Assistant Professor, History

Dr. Ed Pohl, Dean, Graduate School and International Education

Dr. Lona Robertson, Associate Dean, College of Agricultural, Food, and Life Sciences

**2:15 – 3:15 p.m. Negotiating Your Worth: How to Navigate Final Job Interview and Offer Letters**

**Moderator:** Ed Bengston, Associate Dean, Graduate School and International Education

Dr. Micah Hale, Department Head, Civil Engineering

Dr. Shaila Miranda, Department Chair, Information Systems

Dr. David McNabb, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

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**Monday, October 2, 2023 (continued)**

**3:20 – 4:50 p.m.      Networking Across SEC**  
Scholars Network with SEC Liaisons (Breakout Rooms)

**4:50 - 5:50 p.m.      Free Time**

**6:00 – 8:15 p.m.      Reception and Dinner**  
**Keynote Address: “Academia is Hot”**  
Dr. Charles Robinson, Chancellor

**Tuesday, October 3, 2023**

**7:45 – 8:30 a.m.      Networking Breakfast (seating assigned)**

**8:30 – 10:00 a.m.      Charting Your Course: Successfully Transitioning into a Faculty Role**  
**Moderator:** Dr. Kate Mamiseishvili, Dean, College of Education and Health Professions  
Dr. LaShawnda Fields, Assistant Professor, School of Social Work  
Dr. Kevin Murach, Assistant Professor, Health, Human Performance and Recreation  
Dr. Lia Uribe, Associate Dean, Arts & Sciences  
Dr. André Denham, Associate Dean for Graduate Academic Affairs, University of Alabama

**10:30 – 11:30 a.m.      New Faculty: Importance of Quality Mentoring**  
**Moderator:** Dr. Lindsay Aloia, Associate Dean, Graduate School and International Education  
Dr. Paul Adams, Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry  
Dr. Anne O’Leary-Kelley, Professor, Management  
Dr. Luis Restrepo, University Professor, World Languages and Cultures

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**Tuesday, October 3, 2023 (continued)**

- 11:50 a.m.**            **Boarding Buses to the University of Arkansas Alumni House<sup>2</sup>**
- 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.**    **Lunch – Contributing to Cultures of Belonging (seating assigned)**  
**Moderator:** Dr. Stephanie Adams, Director of Faculty Development  
Mr. Anthony DiNicola, Coordinator of Cultural Communities  
Dr. Vanessa Jackson, Acting Associate Vice President/Associate  
Provost for Diverse Faculty Success, University of Kentucky  
Dr. Brinck Kerr, University Professor, Political Science
- 1:30 – 2:45 p.m.**    **Written Materials Feedback Session (seating assigned)**
- 2:45 – 3 p.m.**        **All Participants: Photo (Alumni House)**
- 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**    **Liaisons: Meeting of SEC Liaisons (Alumni House)<sup>3</sup>**
- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**    **Emerging Scholars: Fayetteville and Campus Walking & Bus Tour<sup>4</sup>**
- 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.**    **Return to the Hotel and Free Time**
- 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**    **Dinner & Closing Remarks at the Graduate Hotel**  
Dr. Terry Martin, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor  
Dr. Ed Pohl, Dean, Graduate School and International Education  
Dr. LeNá Powe McDonald, SEC Associate Commissioner for  
Academic Relations

**Wednesday, October 4**

- TBD**                    **Breakfast Buffet**
- 11:00 a.m.**            **Hotel Check Out**

**For more information regarding workshop sessions,  
speaker bios, and more, scan the QR Code:**



<sup>2</sup> All afternoon sessions at the University of Arkansas Alumni House.

<sup>3</sup> Liaisons will be picked up by the campus tour buses at 5:00 pm

<sup>4</sup> The campus tour will include a short walk – please wear comfortable footwear.

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