

Cultivating Career Journeys: Exploring Pathways and Professional Development

Plenary Conference Session

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

4:15 PM – 5:00 PM EST

Plenary Speakers

- **Paula Robinson, Compliance Specialist, Research COI & Commitments, NU-RES Compliance**
 - *MS in Management, specialization in Research Administration*
- **Nicole Magni, Associate Director, NU-RES Hub**
 - *Master in Business Administration, concentration in Leadership*
- **Heidi Copeland, Associate Director, NU-RES Finance**
 - *Certified Financial Research Administrator (CFRA) - RACC*
- **Dana Chyung, Grant & Contract Officer, NU-RES Administration**
 - *Certified Research Administrator (CRA) - RACC*
- **Tessa Dinnie, Pre-Award Grant Administrator, Bouve**
 - *Certified Research Administrator (CRA)- RACC*
- **Dziyana Aydin, Lead eRA Administrator, Systems Manager, NU-RES**
 - *MS in Information Management, Master in Public Administration*
- **Moderator: Jeff Seo, Chief Research Compliance Officer, NU-RES**



Topics/Questions for Discussion

- How did you get into research administration? Was it the first industry you worked in? Did you transition from a different industry?
- What professional development opportunities have been most beneficial to you?
 - Are there specific programs or certifications you would recommend to others in the field?
 - Do you belong to any professional organizations that have helped in your development?
 - Can you share some successful professional development initiatives from other institutions (or Northeastern) you've been involved with?
 - What innovative practices have you seen that could be implemented at our institution to enhance professional development?



Topics/Questions for Discussion (continued)

- How has mentorship played a role in your career development?
 - What advice do you have for building a strong professional network in the research administration industry?
- What are some common challenges you've faced in your professional development, and how did you overcome them?
- What strategies do you find effective in balancing the demands of your job with continuing professional development?
- What advice would you give to someone just starting their career in research administration?
 - How can early-career professionals set themselves up for long-term success in this field?



Thank you!

