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Title: 2017 PIMS-UBC Math Job Forum for Postdoctoral Fellows and Graduate Students

Event Type: Other

Location:

ESB 5104

Dates:

16 October 2017

Topic:

Finding employment with a postgraduate degree in Mathematics

Methodology:

Philip Loewen began the forum by giving a 20 minute presentation on strategies for securing employment in a research intensive academic institution, including tailoring your CV, who to ask for letters, and how to perform on interview. This was followed by a 15 minute presentation by Dagan Karp on how to best find employment at an undergraduate liberal arts college, including how it differs from the previous process, how to prepare a teaching dossier and focused cover letter, and how to prepare for an interview. Nora Franzova then spoke for 10 minutes on applying for and maintaining a position at a two-year teaching college. Finally, Dhavide Aruliah spoke for 30 minutes on transitioning from academia to industry, similarities and differences, overcoming challenges, the importance of networking, and general words of advice. There then followed a question and answer period in the form of a meet-and-greet the speakers, which engaged the participants with their individual questions for each of the presenters. The forum was moderated by Steph van Willigenburg, lasted 90 minutes and provided a light lunch for participants.

Objectives Achieved:

Provided explicit tactics for how to successfully attain a variety of careers to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows in Mathematics

Organizers:

Eaves, Clare, Mathematics, UBC

van Willigenburg, Stephanie, Mathematics, UBC

Speakers:

Dhavide Aruliah (Director of Training, Anaconda) Transitioning to Industry

Nora Franzova (Chair of Mathematics, Langara) Faculty Job at a College?

Dagan Karp (Associate Professor and Associate Dean for Diversity, Harvey Mudd College)

Applying to Liberal Arts Colleges

Philip Loewen (Professor and Head of Mathematics, UBC) Landing a Faculty Position

Links:
