# Growing Your Career: Resources @ Stanford

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#### Career Services Resources

Owning Your Career @ Stanford:

A Roadmap to Your Success! (OSE-1140)

Career Counseling Network

## Owning Your Career @ Stanford

Comprehensive career management program includes:

3-½ hour introductory workshop to help you identify a career action plan

Two 30 minute one-on-one sessions with a member of the Office of Staff Employment



Semi-monthly brown bag lunch sessions on various career-related topics

STAP approved; enroll using STARS (OSE-1140)

## Career Counseling Network (CCN)

- Licensed, professional counselors to support your individual career development efforts
  - Fees discounted for Stanford staff
- Benefits-eligible staff can use up to \$400 in annual STAP funds towards counseling provided by CCN counselors
  - No supervisory approval required
- See the website for details and reimbursement procedures <a href="http://ose/career\_svcs/ccn.html">http://ose/career\_svcs/ccn.html</a>



## Training to Build Skills

STARS (Stanford Training and Registration System)

Stanford Continuing Studies

Health Improvement Program (HIP) and BeWell Employee Incentive Program

Stanford Advanced Project Management
Certification Process

## STARS (in Axess)



- Take advantage of the hundreds of skills building options offered by Stanford departments and groups in STARS
  - In Axess, click the STARS (Training) tab
  - Under the Search Catalog field, click the link to "Browse Catalog" to review courses, programs, and workshops in the categories listed

## Stanford Continuing Studies

- Professional development courses are offered in the evenings and on weekends, taught by Stanford instructors and affiliates
- An MLA (Master of Liberal Arts) program is also offered
- All courses are STAP approved for benefits-eligible staff
- Additional information can be found at the website http://continuingstudies.stanford.edu/

## Health Improvement Program

- Keeping your body and mind active and fit contributes to your professional growth
  - Exercise classes, healthy living seminars offered at different times of the day and evening
  - Many classes are STAP approved for benefitseligible staff
- See <a href="http://hip.stanford.edu/">http://hip.stanford.edu/</a> to review options
- See <a href="http://bewell.stanford.edu/">http://bewell.stanford.edu/</a> to learn how you can earn \$\$ in your paycheck by participating in wellness activities

## Stanford Advanced Project Mgmt Certification Program



- Offered by the Stanford Center for Professional Development, a registered education provider for the Project Management Institute (PMI)
  - Courses are STAP approved for benefits-eligible staff
- See
   http://scpd.stanford.edu/public/category/course
   CategoryCertificateProfile.do?method=load&certificateId=1060516#searchResults

## Informal Networks

Networking Options
Volunteering

## **Networking Options**

- Join a staff group; you can talk with other Stanford staff about their jobs, gain support and camaraderie, and learn strategies to being successful at Stanford
  - http://www.stanford.edu/dept/dive rsityaccess/about/staff\_groups.html for a listing of affinity groups
  - See <a href="http://tips.stanford.edu/">http://tips.stanford.edu/</a>
     TIPS (Team to Improve Productivity at Stanford)
- In your department, watch for opportunities to work on or lead cross-functional work teams





## **Volunteer Options**

- Get involved to make a difference (and meeting others is a great bonus!)
- Visit
   <u>http://newhire.stanford.edu/connected/index.html</u>

   Stanford New Hire site for some ideas of campus groups that need volunteers

#### Financial Resources

STAP (Staff Training Assistance Program)
STRP (Staff Tuition Reimbursement Program)

#### **STAP**

- For benefits-eligible staff taking skills-building classes for current job or career development approved by supervisor
  - Up to \$800 per fiscal year (9/1-8/31), not prorated, cannot carry over from one fiscal year to the next
  - Can be used for on campus and off campus classes, conferences, workshops, or seminars
- See <a href="http://hreap.stanford.edu/index.html">http://hreap.stanford.edu/index.html</a>

#### **STRP**

- For benefits-eligible staff who have at least one year of Stanford service and who are enrolled in a degree program at an accredited institution
  - Up to \$5,250 per fiscal year for tuition and registration fees
  - Prorated based on % of time worked, cannot carry over from one fiscal year to the next
- See <a href="http://hreap.stanford.edu/index.html">http://hreap.stanford.edu/index.html</a>

#### Job Enrichment

Ideas to derive satisfaction in your current position

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- Job enrichment is about developing skills and knowledge to stay engaged and challenged in your current position:
  - What do I enjoy most about my job? How might I do more of it?
  - What could be added to my job to make it more satisfying? More energizing?
  - Which of my current tasks is the most routine? Could I do less of it?
     (Could I switch certain responsibilities with a coworker?)
- Build on the energy that comes from doing what you love
- Identify a Stanford staff member who holds a position of interest to you and ask that person for an informational interview to expand your awareness of other types of positions

## Other Resources

Useful links

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- Office of Staff Employment (OSE): http://ose.stanford.edu
- Stanford Jobs: <a href="http://jobs.stanford.edu">http://jobs.stanford.edu</a>
- SLAC Linear Accelerator Jobs: http://www-public.slac.stanford.edu/hr/jobs/search.asp
- Stanford Hospital Jobs (includes Lucile Packard Children's Hospital):
  - http://stanfordhospital.org/employment/jobs.html

## Manager's Role

Some ways you can support career development in your staff

## Manager's Role: How?

- Managers encourage staff development and career self-management by:
  - Leading and directing work that enables goals to be accomplished
  - Creating opportunities for employee engagement and success
  - Understanding employee career aspirations and provide coaching and feedback to help their movement in that direction
  - Helping employees identify strengths and development options
  - Being watchful for opportunities to help employees grow

### Manager's Role: Helpful Conversations

- Hold Professional Development Discussions
  - In addition to providing feedback about goals and duties, engage your staff in career development discussions on a regular basis:
    - "As you think about your career, what opportunities would help you to learn and grow?"
    - "What are your career aspirations, and what support would be useful from me?"
    - "What career development goals have you set for yourself this year?"

## Manager's Role: Helpful Actions

 Implement cross training/shadowing opportunities; not only is this beneficial to the work group/department, but cross training is an excellent, hands-on way to learn and grow

 Create a "stretch goal" for each of your staff that requires them to learn or do something new—exploration can be a powerful career development tool!

## Manager's Role: Helpful Actions

- At the end of a project or assignment, ask the employee what he/she has learned that might contribute to their career goals:
  - "What aspects of this project/work have contributed to your career goals?"
  - "How has the work on this project/work contributed to your career development plans?"

## Manager's Role: Resources

- Supervisors and Managers have a variety of resources available:
  - Your local human resources representative; he/she can clarify required skills, knowledge and behaviors needed for school/unit positions, which can help you communicate to staff
  - Your peers; in meetings with peers, ask about cross training/shadowing opportunities or cross-functional team work that could allow a staff member to learn and grow
  - Your own bosses; when committees or project teams are formed, discuss options around including your staff to provide exposure and facilitate learning and growth

## Office of Staff Employment

(OSE): <a href="http://ose.stanford.edu">http://ose.stanford.edu</a>