

How to Pursue an Alternative Academic Path in Humanities and Sciences - Insights from AsiaGlobal Fellows

How to pursue an alternative academic path with my research postgraduate degree?

The Graduate School invites all RPg students to attend a Zoom panel discussion with five Asia Global Fellows to explore how to prepare for an alternative academic path in the humanities and sciences sectors. The five Fellows include:

Dr Madina Ashilova
Ms Dalaya Esayiyas
Mr Taeyoung Kim
Mr Nima Tshering
Mr Jason Yip

In this panel discussion, the Fellows will share their experiences and suggestions with RPgs, highlighting available career opportunities, expectations from different fields, and diverse transferable skills needed to move across career boundaries.

Date: December 4, 2020 (Fri)

Time: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Live on Zoom (Zoom link will be emailed to the participants who have registered at the link below)

Online registration:

RPg students – https://hkuems1.hku.hk/hkuems/ec_hdetail.aspx?UEID=72847

Academic staff – https://hkuems1.hku.hk/hkuems/ec_hdetail.aspx?UEID=72846



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Dr Madina Ashilova, CEO of Almaty Nomad, will talk about how to effectively combine research work with the practice of working in NGOs and in the media. She will also explain how NGO and media projects can be a consequence of scientific research, as well as complement them.

Being an African scholar passionate about Africa's Economic Transformation, **Ms Dalaya Esayiye** is a political scientist by training and specialises in Conflict and Development. She was awarded the African Leadership Center scholarship for African scholars who give mentorship and support for Africans with promising potential in leadership and public policy. She will talk about the importance of local/national policy ownership in public policy as well as the need for contextual analysis in the African Economic Transformation policy making debate. She will further discuss what research postgraduates should do to develop their career in leadership and public policy.



Mr Taeyoung Kim, Human Resources Coordinator, Medecins Sans Frontieres, Yangon, Myanmar, will be talking about how his background of being a 3rd culture kid has helped him work in a limited resource setting environment: people who have nothing to lose or already lost everything were forced to flee from their homes and become good gate keepers to keep rules, regulations and principles in check as HR professionals in the mission.

As an engineer by training, public servant by profession and social servant by passion, **Mr Nima Tshering** is Lead Policy Advisor, Royal Government of Bhutan. He will talk about an unusual but sustainable career path and what it takes to sustain an unusual career path, based on his views and lived personal experiences. He believes that in life's career path, plans change but values don't. So it is important to keep focusing on one's passion, while keeping all career options open.



Currently heading a think & do tank on youth policy in Hong Kong, **Mr Jason Yip** will talk about the transformation effect of post-graduate education in terms of career development. His undergraduate study was in accounting, and he started his career in investment banking. During his post-graduate education, he switched track to politics and international relations. He then became a delegate or a few international development and humanitarian agencies, stationing in a range of context, from war torn countries like Afghanistan to diplomatic hub such as Switzerland.

Visit <http://www.gradsch.hku.hk> for details of registration for this panel discussion.