

BES Early Career Network presents:

The Road Not Taken: Non-traditional Career Paths in STEM

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How to navigate diverse career paths available outside of the traditional scope (i.e., academia, national laboratory) isn't always clear for early career scientists. The speakers will share their personal experiences, insight, and journeys within their respective fields. Following brief presentations for each panelist, attendees will have the opportunity to engage with the speakers in a live Q&A. This Zoom webinar is free and open to the public.

Speakers



Dr. Christina Lampe-Onnerud currently serves as CEO of Cadenza Innovation, Inc., a startup she founded in 2012 to bring higher energy density, lower costing, safer, and environmentally sustainable batteries to the EV, grid storage, and industrial markets. Dr. Lampe-Onnerud's work has earned her numerous awards, including two-time recognition by the World Economic Forum, Ernst & Young (EY) Entrepreneur of the Year for the New England region, and Inc.'s Top 100 Female founders. She holds a Ph.D. in Inorganic Chemistry from Uppsala University, Sweden, and conducted post-doctoral work at MIT.



Dr. Irene Peterson is a Principal Research Scientist at Corning Research and Development Corporation in the Process Research group. She studies the thermodynamics and kinetics of phase reactions in ceramic materials and provides technical support to glass production plants in the United States, Europe, and Asia. She received her Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering from the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor.



Dr. Brian Kraft is the Assistant Vice President for Innovation and Research Engagement (IREO) within the Office of Research at Washington State University (WSU). In this role, he is focused on building research partnerships with public and private sector interests that serve to translate innovative research at WSU into meaningful societal impacts. He holds undergraduate degrees in Biology and Chemistry, a PhD in Chemistry and has served WSU in roles ranging from technology evaluation to programmatic development for over sixteen years.

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The DOE Basic Energy Sciences - Early Career Network (BES ECN) is a group of graduate students, postdoctoral researchers, and early career scientists in BES centers. The goal is to share best practices between centers, provide workforce development opportunities, and create a network of early career scientists with a passion for energy science.

Organizers:

- Megan Phelan, PTL EFRC (chair)
- Emily Nienhuis, IDREAM EFRC (co-chair)
- Diana Lutz, m2M/t EFRC
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