

What I Thought My Career Progression Should Look Like



Stepwise, pre-planned course to success.

My Career Journey-So Far

Step into new opportunities!
Create a seed fund program and manage participants.
Learned Lean Startup, leverage my science & communication skills. Still focused on problems to solve that people want solved.

Program Manager-CTC.
Managing grants in bureaucratic world.
What makes startups successful or not?
Questioning, communication.



What's Next?

Scientific Recruiter.
What does a company scientist do?
Skills learned: networking, interviewing, company cultures, startup, identified new interesting problems



Biology!
Independence, Discovery, preparation, mentoring, presentation, writing



Academia-Now What next?
Curiosity and desire to solve problems. WEB, mentoring program, Biotech Minority Fellow Program, Consulting, networking, research. Oh, and I need to stay in Wisconsin.

Your Journey is Your Own. That's Pretty Exciting.



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Winding, uncertain experience. How
to manage?

Lessons Learned

1. Let curiosity drive you.
2. Develop a network to solve problems that intrigue you & that people want solved!
3. Constantly develop new skills through experiences.
4. Your mentor's idea of success may not be yours.
5. Take risks, and do good work.
6. Use your education to augment your interests- don't rely on it.