

## Professional Development

Seeking out opportunities for professional development and keeping up to date on the issues in your field are requirements for all graduate students. The current job market...need I say more? I am sure that many of you are already aware of some of these resources, but for those of you who are just starting out there are a couple of excellent resources for professional development and job searches.

One of the best resources for learning about job openings and for current articles on professional development is *The Chronicle*. There is an excellent section that you may want to consider bookmarking that contains a variety of articles that specifically address the needs and concerns of graduate students. <http://chronicle.com/section/Manage-Your-Career/67/>. Also, there was a recent article on constructing your CV that I found particularly helpful. <http://chronicle.com/article/The-Rhetoric-of-the-CV/131404>.

If you are currently on the job market, besides looking at the job listings on the SBL website and in the Chronicle, you may want to consider checking out a wiki devoted to sharing job search information with your colleagues. This forum gives you status updates on open positions and allows conversation about when interviews have been scheduled and offers extended (no names allowed!). It is a great resource for staying updated on open positions and managing your expectations.

[http://academicjobs.wikia.com/wiki/Biblical\\_Studies\\_2011-2012](http://academicjobs.wikia.com/wiki/Biblical_Studies_2011-2012)

As always, let me know if you have any feedback on the contents of the newsletter or if you have ideas for future issues. You can contact me at [tcalpin@luc.edu](mailto:tcalpin@luc.edu).

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