

# BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING, PH.D.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### GRADUATE SCHOOL RESOURCES

Take advantage of the Graduate School's professional development resources (<https://grad.wisc.edu/pd/>) to build skills, thrive academically, and launch your career.

### PROGRAM RESOURCES

#### THE INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP)

An Individual Development Plan (IDP) (<https://grad.wisc.edu/pd/idp/>) helps graduate students and postdoctoral researchers:

- assess current skills, interests, and strengths;
- make a plan for developing skills to meet academic and professional goals; and
- communicate with supervisors, advisors, and mentors about evolving goals and related skills.

The IDP is a document to be revisited again and again, to update and refine as goals change and/or come into focus, and to record progress and accomplishments.

The university **recommends** IDPs for all postdoctoral researchers and graduate students, and **requires** IDPs for all postdoctoral researchers and graduate students supported by National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding. See the Graduate School for more information and IDP resources (<https://grad.wisc.edu/pd/idp/>).

### ENGINEERING CAREER SERVICES

The Engineering Career Services (<https://ecs.wisc.edu/>) staff offers assistance to students searching or preparing for internships, co-ops, and jobs with well-recognized organizations.

### THE WRITING CENTER

The Writing Center (<https://writing.wisc.edu/>) is a campus-wide organization that provides free of charge, face-to-face and online consultations for students writing papers, reports, resumes, and applications.