Career/Professional Development

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My Journey in Career Development

Post-Doctoral Fellowship
- VA National Quality Scholars (2013-2014)

Assistant Professor
- K Scholar (2015-2018)
- Mentored VA Award (2016-2023)
- Tideswell Emerging Leader in Aging Fellow (2019-2021)

Associate Professor
- CADC Scholar (2020-2022)
- VA Investigator-Initiated Research Award (2022-2026)
Some Lessons Learned (So Far...)

- Have successful peer mentors who are 2 years ahead of you
- Team mentorship
- Network, network, network
- Work with people you like
Development in Research, Teaching, Service/Leadership

- Writing workshops
- Teaching programs: Teach for UCSF Certificate Program
- Leadership programs (Coro)
- Personal coaching
- Personal feedback
- Mentorship

"Once you stop learning, you start dying"
~ Albert Einstein ~
Development Within UCSF

- Dept/Division – weekly/monthly works-in-progress meetings, personal teams (writing retreats, etc.)
- School – weekly Zoom meetings, monthly research presentations
- Campus – scholars programs/fellowships, Coro leadership program
Development Outside UCSF

• National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity (NCFDD)
• National Organizations for leadership skills, building a national reputation, collaborations
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Takes time, effort, resources, support, and patience
You are destined for a fabulous career!