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**TANDON SCHOOL  
OF ENGINEERING**

PhD Professional Skill Development

**Own Your PhD Process:  
Lessons Learned from the Dissertation Institute  
and  
Being an Effective Mentee and Mentor**

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**Part One**

This part of the interactive workshop will share strategies and suggested approaches from the Dissertation Institute (an NSF-sponsored workshop) to help all doctoral students take ownership of the doctoral experience and help them make progress towards degree completion. Topics include: owning your Ph.D., picking a research topic, time management, life after Ph.D. (academic and other options), and job search and negotiation, among others.

**Part Two**

Though rarely discussed, mentoring is central to graduate student success, and to the role of researchers, educators, and STEM professionals. This part of the interactive workshop aims to train graduate students in engineering and science to become more effective mentees and mentors. It will focus on several important topics: aligning expectations, establishing mentoring networks, encouraging ethical behaviors, examining professionalism, communicating across barriers, and understanding constructive group behaviors.

Monday, August 26 : 10 AM-5 PM  
Tuesday, August 27 : 10 AM-2 PM  
1 Metrotech Center, Room 1930/1931



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