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Beyond the PhD: Research, Innovation, and Pathways to Impact

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ABSTRACT: For many doctoral students, academia can seem like the natural path after earning a PhD. But doctoral education prepares you for much more: asking difficult questions, solving complex problems, and creating new knowledge.

Drawing on her own journey from engineering research and technical practice to public-sector leadership, Dr. Zheng will explore the many ways a PhD can lead to meaningful impact beyond academia.

Using Florida's evolving transportation research and innovation enterprise as a real-world example, the conversation will highlight how research moves from identifying needs and developing ideas to creating knowledge, implementing solutions, and transforming practice.

The goal is simple: to broaden the possibilities students see for their future and encourage them to ask not only **"What job do I want?"** but also **"What problems do I want to solve, and where can I make a difference?"**



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