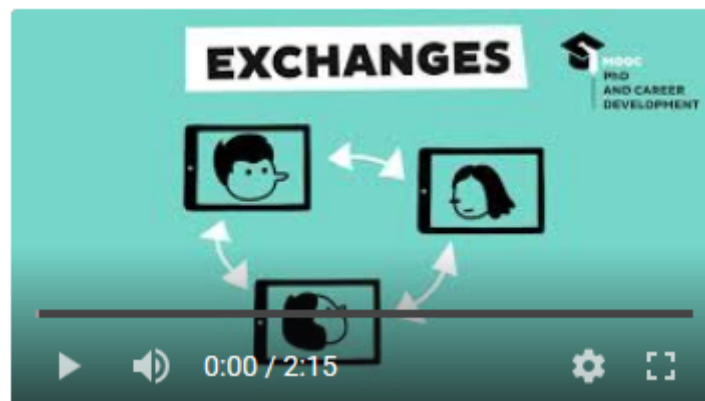




MOOC PhD and Career Development



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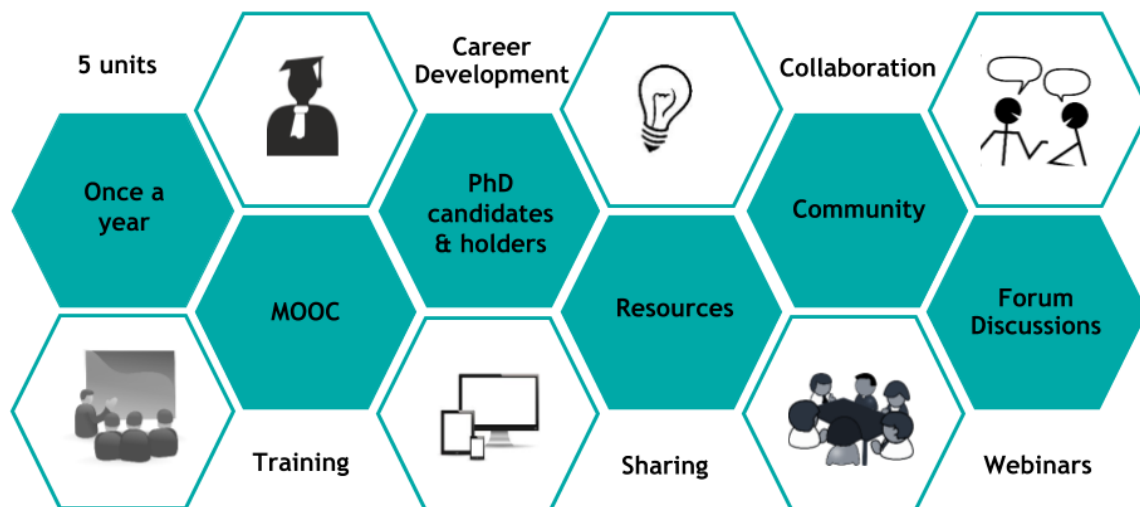
The “PhD and Career Development” MOOC is now entirely available in both French and English, and can be taken and completed in either of these languages. Please note that some of the resources shared in the English version of the MOOC (articles, videos, etc.) are different from the ones in French, but have been chosen so that they provide similarly relevant information for you.

THE AIMS OF THIS MOOC

PhDs offer access to a multitude of careers, but many PhD candidates do not know where to find out about them. Many of them feel isolated and struggle to find the time to prepare for their future. There are, however, an increasing number of initiatives designed to help guide PhD students and graduates in their Career Development.

Our PhDOOC association offers PhD candidates and graduates a MOOC designed to familiarize them with the tools and resources available online. This tailor-made collaborative initiative allows them to draw on the support of a community whilst taking into account their limited time and availability.

Our aim is to create a space for discussing and finding information on post-doctoral careers. We hope that this MOOC will help **create a community** focused on sharing, collaboration and peer support.

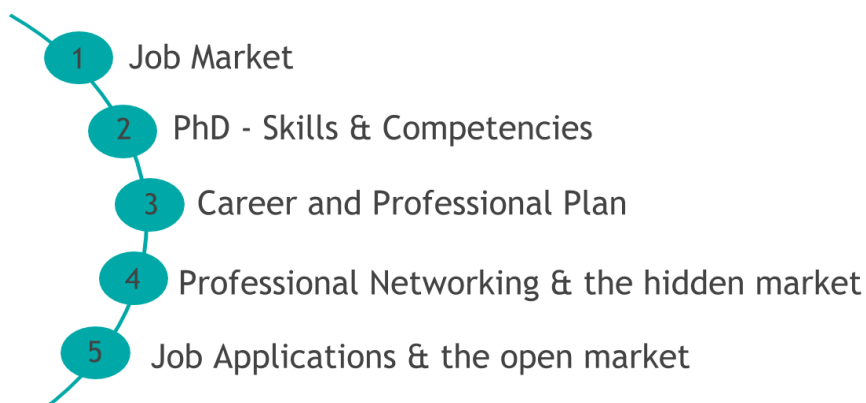


THE SKILLS YOU WILL DEVELOP

This MOOC will enable you to:

- build your skills portfolio;
- identify possible careers for after your PhD;
- develop your career plan;
- build your own communication tools;
- establish your own approach to job searching;
- expand your professional network by joining a community of learners.

The MOOC is subdivided into 5 units (or chapters):



An optional unit on the topics of entrepreneurship, careers in academia, and social innovation is also available, although only in French.

SCHEDULE

You can follow [the calendar](#) but feel free to go through the MOOC at your own pace before the interactive activity comes to an end.



The calendar is titled "PHD & CAREER DEVELOPMENT MOOC - SEASON 6 - 2022" and "Calendar". It features a red header with the URL "phdooc.moocit.fr". Below the header, there are two tabs: "Basic" and "Advanced Learning Pathways". The main content is divided into two columns. The left column, titled "Units", lists five units with their dates and topics: 1. Wednesday, January 12th: "Getting off to a good start" (Learn about the Job Market situation of PhDs); 2. Wednesday, January 19th: "Staying organized" (Identify, Value and Develop your Skills & Competencies); 3. Wednesday, January 26th: "Defining your goals" (Reflect on and articulate your career plan); 4. Wednesday, February 2nd: "Hoist the sails" (Identify your professional network and its opportunities); 5. Wednesday, February 9th: "All aboard!" (Get to know how to search and apply for jobs). The right column, titled "Live Webinars with experts, Paris Time", lists six webinars: 1. Wednesday, Jan 12 - 7pm (PHDOOC); 2. Tuesday, Jan 12 - 7pm (ABG); 3. Tuesday, Jan 25 - 8:15pm (BIOSCIENCE CAREERS); 4. Tuesday, Feb 01 - 7pm (Apec); 5. Tuesday, Feb 08 - 7pm (PHDOOC); 6. Tuesday, Feb 15 - 7pm (Adoc); 7. Tuesday, Feb 22 - 7pm (PHDOOC). At the bottom, there is a "Congratulations!" message and a link to the Q-A document.

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Reflect on and articulate your career plan
ADVANCED LEARNING PATHWAY: Create your career plan

Wednesday, February 2nd #4
Hoist the sails
Identify your professional network and its opportunities

Wednesday, February 9th #5
All aboard!
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ADVANCED LEARNING PATHWAY: Get ready to apply for suitable jobs

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Congratulations! → You are now ready to move towards your next career step!
→ You can get a certificate of achievement* for the Learning Pathway that you have completed (i.e. either Basic or Advanced)

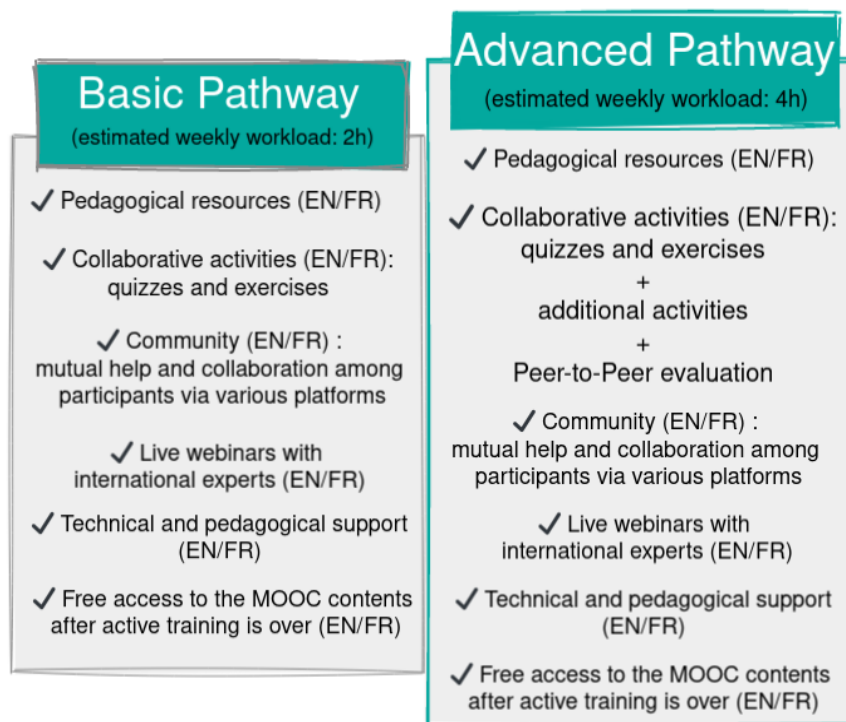
Badge Peer-reviewed activity Live webinar with experts and MOOC participants: <https://phdooc.moocit.fr/> * certificates must be paid for by your institution or through our HelloAïssa webpage

If you have any question, we invite you to consult [the Q-A document](#).

THE COURSE PATHWAYS

You can take this MOOC at your own pace, since the MOOC contents, activities and resources can be accessed at any time between January 12, 2022, and February 28, 2022.

Two training pathways are available, and you are free to choose whichever you prefer:



Access to both the "basic" and "advanced" training pathway is free of charge. **There is no need to choose** which pathway to follow at the start of the MOOC. It will all depend on the activities you choose as the course goes on. It is up to you to set a specific objective.

- The **"basic" training pathway** requires roughly two hours' work per week. This course is assessed through quizzes and group activities.
- The **"advanced" training pathway** requires roughly four hours' work per week. In addition to the core program, you will need to complete two peer assessments to pass the course.
- Each pathway can be entirely taken and completed **in both French and English**. In each unit, additional resources are available to help you further develop your skills.

You can register for this MOOC at any time [by clicking here](#).

PEDAGOGICAL FEATURES

MOOC stands for **"Massive Open Online Course"**, it is a fully online, free course with unlimited participation and open access, available for a limited time only. Students learn autonomously via educational activities and resources. The participants form a community of learners. They help each other and can interact with the teaching teams via the forums.

There are various types of MOOC. We have chosen to use the sMOOC - or **social MOOC** - model, from the connectivist, or cMOOC, family. This means that learners

are encouraged to add to the educational content and there is a significant focus on collaborative activities and discussion.

TARGET AUDIENCE AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS



PhD candidates



PhD holders



Career Development
Professionals



Recruiters

This MOOC is primarily aimed at:

- PhD candidates in all fields,
- PhD graduates who are looking for work or are already employed.

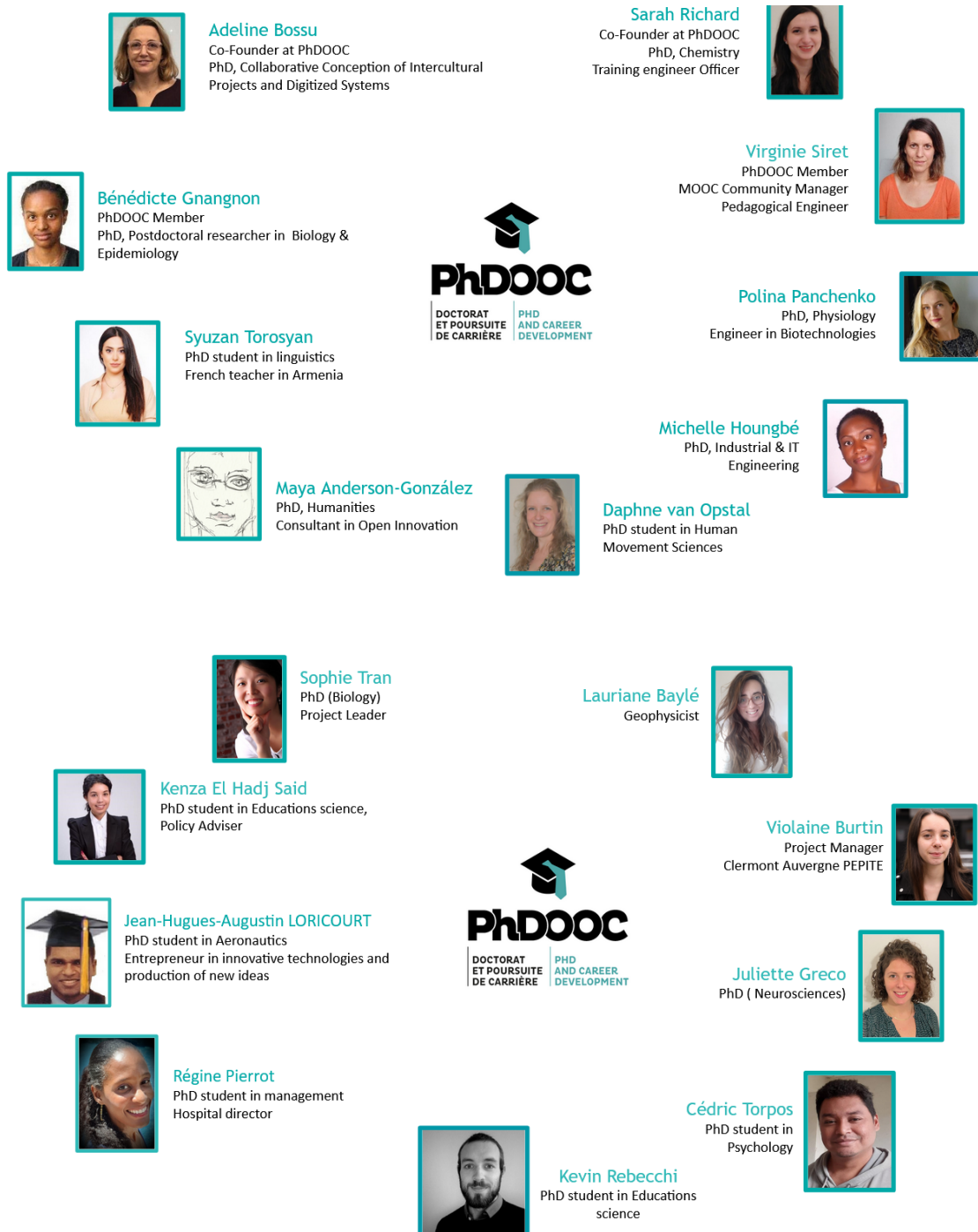
It may also be of interest to:

- organizations, institutes and anyone working with PhD students and graduates;
- businesses, especially recruiters;
- the general public - anyone who wants to find out more about PhDs!

The course requires access to a device connected to the Internet and a basic level of IT skills.

THE TEACHING TEAM

PhDOOC is an association, constituted under the French law of 1901, whose aim is to train and support PhD candidates and graduates, and enable the creation of a community. To do this, we have launched the first MOOC in France on career orientation for PhD graduates in all fields. Our aim is to create a space dedicated to information, discussion and mutual assistance on this subject. The association currently has eighteen voluntary members, who design and manage the MOOC:



VOLUNTEERS

During the previous seasons of the MOOC, many participants contributed to improving the MOOC and make it evolve. We would like to deeply thank all those who thus contributed to making this MOOC better, many thanks for your help and for putting your skills to work! If you also would like to get involved with us, while getting ready for your next career step and contributing to a meaningful project, you are welcome to volunteer as an e-pathfinder for the MOOC's sixth season! This volunteering position will require about 4 hours weekly, for 6 weeks. If you are interested in this position, please contact us! We will be happy to welcome you in the PhDOOC family!

THE CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

For a fee, a **certificate of achievement** can be obtained for either course. The certificate will state which course has been taken (core or advanced), as well as the number of hours of training completed (12 or 24 hours). This will enable you to gain recognition for your work (it is up to participants to do this themselves). A fee is charged for this certificate, which enables the association to continue to operate and offer access to the MOOC free-of-charge.

There are two ways to obtain this certificate:

- PhD candidates at the partners University, should sign up via their university website. **NB.** You will need to use the same email address to sign up to both the MOOC platform and your university website.



- For everyone else, once you have signed up to the MOOC platform, you can pay for your certificate **at any time** on the PhDOOC HelloAsso page (in

progress). **NB.** You will need to use the same email address used to sign up to the MOOC platform to make the payment on HelloAsso.

SPECIALISTS WHO CONTRIBUTE TO THE MOOC



SPONSORS AND SUPPORT



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of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, in the category "Educational Innovation". [Click here](#) to see a report on the project made for this event.



COLLABORATORS

Because we are stronger together, here is a list of the institutions that communicate about our projects, help us find e-pathfinders, or share useful resources with us! Many thanks for being part of this journey with us!



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