



## Graduate Pathways to Success Workshop: Professional and Business Effectiveness

Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Thea Koerner House, 6371 Crescent Road, Point Grey Campus

This 3.5 hour workshop, hosted in partnership with the Postdoctoral Fellows Office (PDFO) will help graduate students and postdoctoral fellows to:

- improve their communication and business effectiveness and get better results
- utilize professional business etiquette principles more effectively
- manage meetings more successfully

This program will be highly experiential and will give participants opportunity to practice having purposeful, professional conversations, incorporate professional business etiquette principles into their toolbox and practice how to manage meetings more successfully.

### Attendees will:

- be more confident expressing a professional conversational signature, including being assertive, while managing power differentials with less stress and more success;
- experience better results and have more impact as they incorporate their conversational signatures into day-to-day conversations and committee meetings as they interact with supervisors, colleagues and the business community;
- be aware of the impacts of not following generally accepted professional business etiquette principles and also the benefit of following professional business etiquette principles; and,
- have more confidence and will experience much better results as they lead, facilitate and manage meetings.

**Facilitator:** Dene Rossouw is the Principal and Motivational Coach at Possibil.com, helping leaders build their influence and inspire innovation at work.

He helps his clients have the necessary conversations of leadership and helps organizations innovate by leveraging the power of employee ideas.

Dene is the Past President of the Vancouver chapter of the Canadian Association of Professional Speakers and is a Certified Executive Coach through Royal Roads University. He is a Certified Emotional Intelligence Facilitator and has the Associate Certificate in Workplace Conflict from the Justice Institute of British Columbia. He has a degree in Theology from the University of South Africa.

**Registration:** Priority will be given to UBC graduate students registered in the current academic session. Note: You will be expected to complete approximately 1.5 hrs of pre-work which consists of viewing videos, pre-reading and a short quiz. Information about this pre-work will be included in the email confirmation. To register, please visit : <https://community.grad.ubc.ca/event/1779> (NOTE: cwl login is required; if you have not yet registered on community.grad.ubc.ca you must first register for the site, then refresh to register for the event. Registration appears at the bottom of the event page). If you have difficulty with registration, please e-mail [graduate.pathways@ubc.ca](mailto:graduate.pathways@ubc.ca)

Postdoctoral Fellows may register at <http://www.postdocs.ubc.ca/event/200-professional-business-effectiveness>

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