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Dayton, Ohio (Sept. 16) -- For the 2025-2026 school year, the Strategic Ohio Council for Higher Education (SOCHE) will host a [special Career Development Series](#) of virtual presentations designed to support higher education personnel as they help develop the Workforce of Tomorrow.

The webinars, which begin in October and feature faculty and staff from across the SOCHE membership, cover a variety of topics including: how to support career development for rural Appalachian students; empowering faculty to incorporate career readiness into their curricula; helping academically underperforming students succeed in the job market; fostering professionalism without perfectionism; and achieving student success through career connectedness.

"We know that higher education and career development go hand-in-hand. This webinar series gives personnel the tools to connect what happens in the classroom to the skills and experiences students need to thrive in the workforce," said SOCHE president Dr. Cassie Barlow. "Supporting career readiness is central to SOCHE's mission, and together with our member institutions, we are proud to help shape the Workforce of Tomorrow."

The full webinar schedule is open for registration now. These and all SOCHE-hosted conferences, workshops, and trainings can be viewed at [www.soche.org/events](http://www.soche.org/events). If registrants cannot attend virtual sessions live, recording links will be sent with resources and follow-up materials.

Formed in 1967, [Strategic Ohio Council for Higher Education](#) is a consortium of 31 colleges and universities located throughout Ohio and northern Kentucky. SOCHE is the regional leader for higher collaboration, engaging with educational institutions and industry to transform the economy through the education and employment of students in the tri-state area. See more at [www.soche.org](http://www.soche.org)

**2025-2026 SOCHE Career Development Webinar Series:****Friday, Oct. 3, from 12 to 1 p.m. ET**[Roots & Routes: Supporting Career Aspirations of Rural Appalachian Students](#)

Aaron Sturgill – Ohio University

**Thursday, Nov. 13, from 12 to 1 p.m. ET**

[Empowering Faculty to Champion Career Readiness](#)

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**Wednesday, Feb. 18, from 12 to 1 p.m. ET**

[Helping Academically Underperforming Students Land Great Jobs: Strategy for Success](#)

Dr. Beth Hanson and Christine Tonniss – University of Cincinnati

**Tuesday, March 10, from 12 to 1 p.m. ET**

[Real Talk, Real Growth: Fostering Professionalism Without Perfectionism](#)

Sarah Brandell – Kettering College

**Wednesday, April 15, from 12 to 1 p.m. ET**

[Career Connectedness: A Catalyst for Student Success](#)

Dr. Kemal Ayden – Franklin University