



Institute of Food Technologists
Student Association

Food Forward: Networking and Career Prep for Future Food Scientists

September 29-30, 2023 ■ The Ohio State University

Event Breakdown

Date	Time	Description	Leads	Location
Friday	Afternoon	Welcome Student Seminar with small department tours (optional)	OSU	Parker Food Science and Technology
Friday	5:30-8:30PM	IFTSA-OVIFT Networking Dinner <i>Sponsored by Donato's Pizza</i>	OVIFT	TBD
Saturday	8:30-9:00AM 9:00-10:00AM	Breakfast CIFT Keynote Speaker <i>Innovation and Start-ups</i>	CIFT	Kottman
	10:15-11:30AM	Professional Development Workshops Draft topics: -Elevator pitch -Networking 101 -Anatomy of a resume -Public speaking (phi tau sigma connection)	IFT Staff/IFTSA Board Members	Breakout classrooms
	11:30AM-1:00PM	Panel – Life after college: Career paths in the science of food 4-5 panelists – academia, grad student, industry	OVIFT	Kottman
	1:00PM-2:00PM	Lunch with focus groups Topics: -Science Communication/Public speaking -Networking: How to build a network, effective networking to industry -Resumes -Career mapping -Maneuvering difficult conversations	OVIFT	
	2:30-4:00PM	Industry Tours Possible places: Marzetti and Columbus Brewing Company	OSU/OVIFT	Various (Shuttles Needed)
	4:30PM-6:30PM	Campus Tours (optional)	OSU	
	6:30PM-9:00PM	Dinner & socializing with peers	IFT Staff/IFTSA Board Members	Woody's Tavern
Sunday	Morning	Student departures		