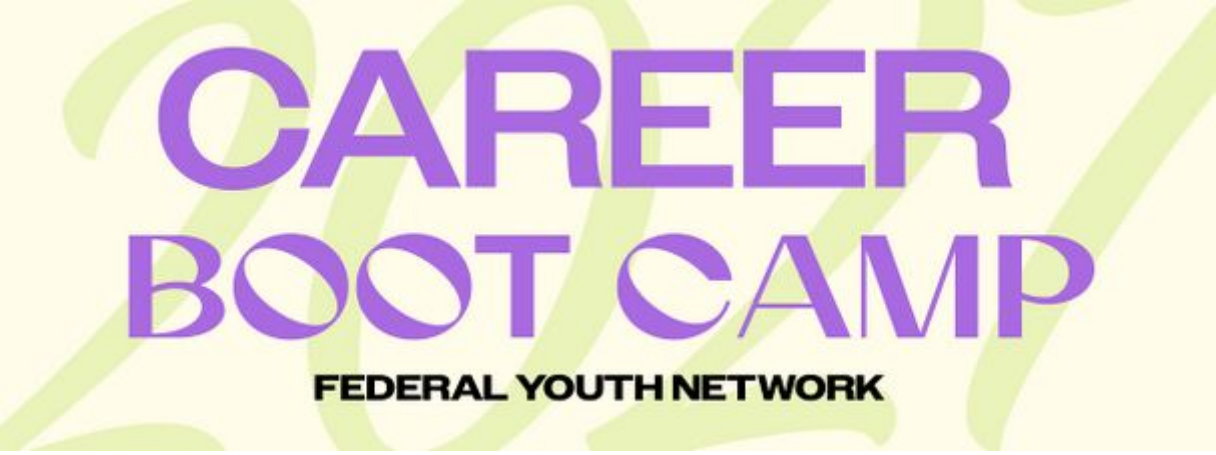
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Career Boot Camp 2027

Are you ready to take your career in the federal public service to the next level? Look no further! We are thrilled to announce the 7th virtual edition of Career Boot Camp.

Hosted by the Federal Youth Network (FYN), Career Boot Camp 2027 is an interactive learning experience designed to help early-career public servants navigate real workplace challenges and grow in a changing public service environment. Whether you are feeling stuck, looking to grow, or preparing for your next move, Career Boot Camp will help you build the skills, confidence, and clarity to take the next step.

While CBC spans two weeks, the time commitment is designed to be manageable. You're welcome to attend one, two, or all of the sessions—whatever best fits your interests and schedule. We encourage you to review the workshop offerings and block time in your calendar for the ones that resonate most with your current career journey. Attendance is not mandatory for every session, but we recommend prioritizing those that align closely with your goals and development path.

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/ev/AhpbUETsxx9FP7oJJ6-8KQ5HwpQH-m5C7vC4i7x4v5KzciJxkNYl~AopGTGpTXHzdU1prNDBXmCu-_7ZYz0loSghcq3i40lhQHOWVi_OLU7dJ9g

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Date	Time	Title	Language
January 19, 2027	13:00 to 14:00 ET	Designing your career in uncertain times	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)
January 19, 2027	14:30 to 15:30 ET	Navigating workplace realities	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)
January 21, 2027	12:00 to 12:50 ET	Kiosk Exploration and networking	Bilingual
January 21, 2027	13:00 to 14:00 ET	Building trust through communication	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)
January 21, 2027	14:30 to 15:30 ET	Communicating your impact	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)
January 26, 2027	13:00 to 14:00 ET	Work smarter with AI: Real tools, real impact	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)
January 26, 2027	14:30 to 15:30 ET	Turning experience into opportunity with AI	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)
January 28, 2027	13:00 to 14:00 ET	From Overwhelmed to In Control: Managing Competing Demands	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)
January 28, 2027	14:30 to 15:30 ET	Build influence not just titles	English (an equivalent session is offered in French)

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Session	Speakers
Designing your career in uncertain times **Description:** In a changing environment, waiting for opportunities is no longer enough. Learn how to take ownership of your career, build adaptable skills, and navigate a path that works for you, even without a clear roadmap. **Objectives:** ▪ Reframe career success beyond promotions and traditional progression paths ▪ Identify transferable skills that increase career mobility ▪ Recognize emerging opportunities within the public service ▪ Develop a proactive approach to career planning and decision-making	**Speakers:** ▪ Bethany Hoffe ▪ Marcela Popowich ▪ Tasha Cloutier **Moderator:** ▪ More information to come
Navigating workplace realities **Description:** Step into real workplace scenarios and test your instincts through live polling and expert-led discussion. You'll explore tough situations and walk away with practical strategies to make confident, thoughtful decisions under pressure. **Objectives:** ▪ Apply structured approaches to complex career decisions ▪ Evaluate trade-offs in common workplace situations ▪ Identify strategies for navigating challenging work environments ▪ Build confidence in making informed and thoughtful career choices	**Speakers:** ▪ Ciara Pourjalali ▪ Melody Au ▪ **Moderator:** ▪ Jimi Onalik
Building trust through communication **Description:** Speaking up doesn't have to feel risky when you know how to do it strategically. Learn how to share ideas, raise concerns, and provide feedback in ways that build trust, credibility, and influence. **Objectives:** ▪ Identify when and how to speak up effectively ▪ Frame feedback and concerns in a constructive and strategic way ▪ Build credibility and trust with managers and colleagues ▪ Apply public service values and ethics to real workplace conversations	**Speakers:** ▪ Aileen Ong ▪ Rijha Bhattacharjee ▪ Christian Bertelsen **Moderator:** ▪ More information to come
Communicating your impact **Description:** Your work speaks for itself but only if others understand its impact. Learn how to clearly and confidently communicate your contributions so you're recognized, trusted, and advocated for.	**Speakers:** ▪ Sarah D'Onofrio ▪ Sancho Angulo **Moderator:** ▪ More information to come

Objectives: ▪ Identify what types of work and behaviours increase professional visibility ▪ Communicate impact clearly beyond listing tasks or activities ▪ Use meetings, networks, and digital platforms strategically ▪ Apply techniques to build a strong and authentic professional reputation	
Work smarter with AI: Real tools, real impact **Description:** AI can transform how you work, if you know how to use it effectively. Explore practical tools and techniques to boost productivity, improve decision-making, and get better results without losing your critical thinking edge. **Objectives:** ▪ Identify practical ways AI can support common workplace tasks ▪ Apply techniques to improve the quality of AI-generated outputs ▪ Distinguish between appropriate and inappropriate uses of AI ▪ Integrate AI tools into their workflows while maintaining critical thinking	**Speakers:** ▪ Jake Hirsch-Allen **Moderator:** ▪ More information to come
Turning experience into opportunity with AI **Description:** AI can be a powerful career tool, but only when used strategically. Learn how to use AI to enhance your resume, prepare for interviews, and communicate your skills effectively while ensuring your applications remain authentic, personalized, and aligned with public service hiring expectations. **Objectives:** ▪ Identify effective ways to use AI to support job applications and interview preparation ▪ Use prompts and AI-generated content to strengthen resumes and written responses ▪ Recognize the limitations and risks of AI-generated content in staffing processes ▪ Apply strategies to personalize AI-assisted outputs while maintaining authenticity	**Speakers:** ▪ Jose Jimenez ▪ Stephanie Percival **Moderator:** ▪ More information to come
From Overwhelmed to In Control: Managing Competing Demands **Description:** When everything feels urgent, it's easy to feel stuck and reactive. This session equips you with practical strategies to prioritize what matters, set boundaries and communicate your workload with clarity and confidence. **Objectives:** ▪ Distinguish between urgent, important, and high-visibility work	**Speakers:** ▪ Jenny Yu **Moderator:** ▪ Tammy Branch

▪ Apply strategies to clarify expectations with managers ▪ Communicate workload constraints with confidence and professionalism ▪ Use practical techniques to prioritize and manage competing demands	
Build influence not just titles **Description:** Career growth does not always mean moving up, it can also mean expanding your impact, skills, and contributions. This session focuses on how to take ownership of your development within your current role by seeking out new opportunities, building complementary skills, and positioning yourself as someone who adds value. **Objectives:** ▪ Identify opportunities for growth within their current role ▪ Expand their impact through projects, collaboration, and new responsibilities ▪ Build complementary skills that strengthen their career profile ▪ Develop a professional identity centered on value and contribution	**Speakers:** ▪ Shelley Rolland-Poruks ▪ Shirqille Tisi **Moderator:** ▪ Michelle Kovacevic

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