

# FACULTY, STUDENT, & STAFF SEMINAR

**Wednesday, 4:00 PM**

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**Cheek Hall 102**

## **The Professional Science Masters' Program at MSU**

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The Professional Science Master's (PSM) is an innovative, new graduate program designed to allow students to pursue advanced training in science or mathematics, while simultaneously developing workplace skills highly valued by employers. PSM programs consist of two years of academic training in an emerging or interdisciplinary area, along with a professional component that may include internships and "cross-training" in workplace skills, such as business, communications, and regulatory affairs. All have been developed in concert with employers and are designed to dovetail into present and future professional career opportunities. In this presentation, I will give an overview of the PSM program at MSU, including the timeline, the action plan, student recruitment, and building a live and adaptive network connecting students to their future employers. Throughout the presentation, I will emphasize on the exciting opportunities that the PSM program can offer to our students.

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**All are welcome!**