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Current Topics in Bioengineering Career Talk

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Elings Hall 1601 3:00 pm - 4:00pm *Light refreshments will be provided*



RSVP via this link: <u>https://forms-csep.cnsi.ucsb.edu/forms/PDS/Registration.php</u> Host: Beth Pruitt

Title: From Berkeley To Beijing And Back

Abstract: From Berkeley to Beijing and back. I will discuss my somewhat unconventional career trajectory through different fields and different continents to arrive back at UC Berkeley as an Assistant Professor in the Bioengineering department. I will focus on both successes and failures that have colored my career and lessons that I hope are useful to students and postdocs interested in a career in academia, or in bioengineering broadly. I hope this will be an interactive discussion so please come with questions.

BIO: Aaron received a Bachelor of Science in Physics and a Bachelor of Arts in Art at UCLA. He completed his PhD in Applied Physics at Stanford with Dr. Stephen Quake. Aaron then went to Beijing, China as a Whitaker International Postdoctoral Fellow and a Ford postdoctoral fellow and worked with Dr. Yanyi Huang in the Biodynamic Optical Imaging Center (BIOPIC) at Peking University. Aaron joined the faculty of UC Berkeley as an Assistant Professor in Bioengineering in 2016 and is currently a core member of the Biophysics Program and the Center for Computational Biology and he is a Chan Zuckerberg Biohub investigator. Aaron has received the NSF Early Career award and was recently named a Pew Biomedical Scholar.