





This card deck is designed to unlock assumptions and cast open new opportunities for scholarship and creative research. It can be used by individuals, pairs or small teams identify their passions, skills, needs, and artifacts to brainstorm their next project, revisit assumptions, or scaffold collaboration. You will leave the conversation with clarity—energized and ready to get the project started.

How do we have a conversation about different modes of scholarship, research, and creative practice? How do we understand and agree on what counts? When planning research goals, what's next?



When to Use This Deck

- New faculty orientation
- Mentor meetings
- Self reflection and research planning
- Forming groups and collaborations
- Department research strategy



How to Play





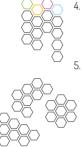
- . Begin by laying the header cards out in a row in the following sequence: Passion, Skills, Needs, Artifacts.
- Sort through the "Passion" card deck. Place any cards you are have passion for in one pile, and discard the rest. Make new cards for things you have passion for and add them to the pile.



 Prioritize your "Passion" cards, placing your highest ranked card under the "Passion" header card. Lay the cards in descending order in the "Passion" column.



How to Play, cont.



- Repeat this process for the other categories: Skills, Needs, and Artifacts. Once you've laid out all of the cards, step back and look at them.
 - What patterns emerge? What cards are connected? How might this inform your next steps? How might this help you prioritize or coordinate your efforts? How might this help you develop your strategy for creating work driven by what you're really passionate about? What might this tell you about what is (and is not) possible?









Training



New Skills



PR Help



Laboratory Space



Studio Space



Course Approval



Hardware



Time Off



A Quiet Space to Work



Collaborators



Travel



Technical Assistance



Training



Designer



Library Help



Venue



Grant



Research Assistant



Money



Production Help



Advice or Feedback



IRB Approval







Passions



Artistic Creation



Roller Derby



Knitting



Being Challenged



Synthesizing Information



Invention



Spending the Day in the Library



Using My Hands



Working as a Team



Budgeting and Spreadsheets



Discovering Ancient Knowledge



Medieval Japan



Education



Philosophy



Exploring New Ideas



Social Justice



Coding



Equity and Inclusion



Cool Office Products



Taking Risks



Reading



Writing



Solving Puzzles or Finding the Answer



Helping Humanity











Library Research



Project Management



Programming



Improv



Coming up with New Project Ideas



Composing



Analyzing



Listening



Public Speaking



Collaborating



Interpreting



Writing



Organizing



Teaching



Creating



Graphic Design



Performing



Strategizing



Prototyping



Field Research



Craft and Technique







Artifacts



Paper or Manuscript



Review Article



Workshop



Virtual Reality Thing



Software



Exhibit



Monograph



Lab Research



Grant Proposal



Edited Volume



Building



Music Score



Performance



Recording



Podcast



Public Engagement Project



Art



Website



Course Syllabus



