# Topic: Gender bias in cover letters (CL) / letters of recommendation (LoR)

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## Discussion of other skills and tools:

Lots of great resources here: http://www.ascb.org/career-development-resources/

### Where to find jobs in Ecology and Evolution (and more):

FIRST, TALK TO YOUR PROFESSORS/COLLEAGUES AND NETWORK! Ask for informational interviews/call to learn about a program you want to work for. http://www.joshdaskinecology.com/jobs-in-ecology (Many great listservs) https://www.esa.org/esa/careers-and-certification/job-board/ https://www.conservationjobboard.com/category/ecology-jobs https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1J2M\_tQgoqV4ivpfEClh9qs9f2KQN2O1G3Jpd a2aoHfQ/edit#gid=0 (Postdocs) LinkedIn Glassdoor

## To learn more about bias in LoR and CLs:

#### Easy reads:

http://time.com/money/4521124/recommendation-letters-scientists-gender-bias/ https://physicsworld.com/a/gender-bias-found-in-recommendation-letters/ http://www.sciencemag.org/careers/2016/10/recommendation-letters-reflect-gender-bias

Scientific articles:

https://www.nature.com/articles/ngeo2819 http://link.springer.com/10.1007/s11199-007-9291-4 https://diversity.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/exploring-the-color-of-glass.pdf https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19916666

#### Helpful guidelines for LoR in general:

http://science-professor.scientopia.org/2011/11/30/imperfectionist/ http://alumnus.caltech.edu/~natalia/studyinus/guide/recom/phrases.htm