

## **ASTR 8500, Sp 2022: Consensus Top 10 Faculty Advice**

- 1. Have a specific and unique skill set you can “sell” to potential collaborators**
- 2. Use collaborations and conferences to gain recognition and expand your network**
- 3. For your primary advisor, find someone who is good for you (whatever that means for you) and also find a mentor that’s not your main advisor; develop external collaborations**
- 4. Respect your own research time, learn to manage your time**
- 5. Identify short- and long-term goals; be patient as you work towards them; keep them updated & relevant; choose external advisors who can help you achieve them**
- 6. Develop skills: computing, communication, whatever you need**
- 7. Take care of yourself, identify personal needs & respect them. Take preemptive measures.**
- 8. Practice writing proposals and applying for fellowships**

- 9. Don't compare yourself with other people; learn from & support your peers**
- 10. Consider what's up and coming and interesting; understand the context of your work, keep up with the literature to think ahead to future capabilities and directions for the field.**