



So You Want to Be a Scientist?

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Oxford University Press, USA. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 208 pages. What does it take to be a scientist Equally important, what does it take to be happy as a scientist Drawing on thirty years of experience, Philip Schwartzkroin offers the budding scientist an invaluable glimpse into the day-to-day life of the researcher, filling a huge hole in the education of most would-be scientists--whether undergraduates or high school seniors. As Schwartzkroin points out, many of the most important things researchers learn as they hone their craft are not written down anywhere. And many of these insights come as a surprise to the nave and well-meaning student who somehow believes that doing research is an occupation that is substantially different from doing a job in the real world. This book looks at the job of science. Starting with suggestions about how to decide whether youd want to pursue such a career (and if so, how to get started), the book works through some of the obvious topics relevant to a research profession--how to write a paper, give a talk, construct a grant proposal. It also examines less obvious topics that are generally incorporated into a research education only by trial and...



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