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Announcements

Directors of Graduate Studies,

The fall semester is well underway with a multitude of activities on campus!

Nominations are due for the L. B. Sims Outstanding Master’s Thesis Award on October 11, 2017. This year, the Graduate college will consider nominations from Biological/Life Sciences and Humanities. Visit http://bit.ly/2xgTlcM for more information.

Also, please note the upcoming Graduate college Internal fellowship Deadlines later this week (September 29 for Ballard and Seashore and Postcomp fellowships).

Visit the Professional Development section of the Grad college website to find resources and information about 8 professional competency areas for graduate students. New this academic year, the Graduate college will bring professional development workshops to your department or program. To check out our offerings or to request a workshop, visit the professional development menu.

The next DGS meeting is Wednesday, October 11 in the IMU theater.

Best regards,

Sarah

Sarah Larsen
Associate Dean for Academic and Administrative Affairs

Fellowship Resources

Graduate college Fall Fellowship Opportunities

The Graduate college offers multiple fellowship opportunities for the fall semester. Please note all fellowships are by departmental nomination. Ballard and Seashore and Post-Comprehensive fellowship deadlines are both September 29, 2017. We are allowing more nomination opportunities for these two fellowships per department. If you have a PhD student needing to travel abroad for dissertation research, the T. Anne Clearly fellowships are open and are considered on a rolling basis. We also have one new fellowship opportunity this fall. If you have domestic ethnic minorities (citizens or permanent residents) completing a required MA or MS thesis, please consider nominating your eligible students for a spring fellowship. The deadline is October 15, 2017. A full list of fellowships and deadlines are available at https://www.grad.uiowa.edu/internal-fellowships.

Graduate college Spring & Summer Fellowship Opportunities

In summer 2017 the Graduate college launched a new pre-comprehensive exam mentored research fellowship for underrepresented ethnic minority PhD students (US citizens or permanent residents who are Blacks or African Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, American Indians or Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders). We are pleased to announce we will offer the fellowship in both Spring and Summer of 2018. The deadlines for applications are November 1 and February 15 respectively. To be eligible, students must have completed at least one full semester of coursework at the time of application (PhD student who were new this summer or fall are not eligible for spring). Details can be found at: https://www.grad.uiowa.edu/underrepresented-minority-pre-comprehensive-exam-mentored-summer-research-fellowship-pilot-program

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Interim Associate Dean Shelly Campo at 319-335-2136 or shelly-campo@uiowa.edu.

External Fellowship Communities

Would you like to share your expertise on grant writing and funders with graduate students from across campus? Please consider joining one of our Graduate student fellowships Communities (applicants + winners + faculty) as a faculty expert. We welcome faculty who have worked with these funders and those who want to learn more about these opportunities. Take this brief survey to join us as part of a Fellowships Community.

* NIH F-series and NSF DDRIG workshops are planned for Spring 2018

Academic Affairs

Graduate Students planning to graduate in fall 2017 must complete an application for degree by Friday, September 29th. Students who do not apply by Friday will receive a $20 late fee for apps added after the deadline. Also, there is no longer an additional cost to cancel the degree app (and reapply) if students’ plans change. As a result, we now encourage students to apply, even if it is uncertain whether they will truly finish in the current session.

Students apply for degree using MyUI: MyUI/Student Information/Student Life Management/Degree Application

Please note that applying for degree is different than registering for commencement, which can be accomplished here.

Graduate Student Wellness

Graduate Student Support Group

Wednesdays at Noon, The University Counseling Service (UCS, 3323 Westlawn)

Please join us for this informal time to meet new graduate students, share the stresses and strains of life as a graduate student, gain support, and celebrate our successes. We meet each Wednesday from 12 to 12:50 at the UCS. Feel free to bring your lunch.
Graduate Student Events and Professional Development

Research Competitions — Registration Deadline October 2nd
Visit bit.ly/UI3MT for more information & registration form.

Three Minute Thesis*
The University of Iowa’s fourth Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition challenges graduate students to clearly and concisely articulate complex research to non-specialist audiences.
- **Prizes (separate winners for Masters & PhD categories):**
  - **Preliminaries:** Each contestant who advances to the Final Round on March 26 will win a $250 cash prize.
  - **Finals:** $500 dollars for 1st place, $250 for honorable mentions & people’s choice

Thesis in Focus*
The Graduate College is happy to announce its first Research in Focus competition. Research in Focus invites students to submit entries consisting of an image and brief text that articulates how the image relates to the research.
- **Prizes:** Each submission selected to be printed for the Final Round will win a $100 cash prize, and a printed copy of their submission. There will be an additional prize of $250 for the “People’s Choice” winner, selected by audience ballot at Three Minute Thesis Finals.

*These competitions are separate. Students can register for either competition individually or both at their discretion. There is no limit on the amount of students that can participate from a single department or program.

2018 Obermann Graduate Institute
Visit http://bit.ly/2vPTzV7 for more information on eligibility & requirements
The Obermann Graduate Institute is a one-week interdisciplinary Institute in which UI graduate students from across campus and at any point in their graduate studies explore how public engagement can enhance teaching, research, and creative work.
If you are interested in applying for the January 2018 Graduate Institute, please attend the September 13 Information Session (4:00–5:00 p.m., Obermann Center library) to meet the Institute’s co-directors and talk to students who participated in the January 2017 Institute.

REQUEST A WORKSHOP
Visit bit.ly/GradWorkshops for more information on available workshops & request form.
The Graduate College offers workshops that can be requested by student groups (formal organizations or informal groups of students), faculty, departments, or other campus organizations. These workshops can be a productive addition to orientations, seminars, courses, research group meetings, and more. They introduce students to the basics of professional and career development topics (like application documents, the job search, and more), freeing up faculty to address field-specific issues in more detail.

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