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***DGS Digest
April 2, 2019***

Announcements

Directors of Graduate Studies,

This week is [Graduate Appreciation Week](#). We strongly encourage each Graduate Program to make sure their students are recognized for their hard work and dedication.

Please remind your students of the ongoing Managing the Market Academic Job Doc series. Each session will provide students an opportunity to learn how to craft critical job documents such as the Curriculum Vitae, the Cover Letter and the Teaching Statement with an emphasis on document preparation for positions in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Students can register [here](#). Further details about the sessions and times can be found below.

The application deadline for [Humanities for the Public Good](#) Summer Internships is April 9. Please see below for more details.

A reminder that the deadline for [commencement registration](#) for spring and summer graduates is April 10. Both ceremonies will be held on May 10, 2019.

The Master's commencement ceremony includes a slideshow and we would like you to encourage graduating students to submit 1-2 photos by Wednesday, April 10th, 2019, for incorporation in the slide show. Please see below for details on how to submit the photos.

The next DGS meeting is Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at 3:30 PM (S401 PBB). Please see the [DGS Meetings page](#) for a schedule of upcoming meetings and minutes from past meetings.

Finally, we would like to bring your attention to a new course that will be offered to students across disciplines entitled Writing for Learned Journals (Grad:6300). This seminar will be taught in a workshop format to help support students in submitting their research to a journal in their field by the end of the semester. Please see below for a detailed course description.

Best regards,

Steve

Steve Varga
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Graduate Student Development

Events

National Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week

Monday, April 1, 2019 - Friday, April 5, 2019 - National Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week celebrates the 5,000 plus graduate students that make the University of Iowa a great place for research and learning. This year, the University of Iowa Graduate College has joined with the Graduate Student Senate and the Graduate and Professional Student Government to encourage a week-long celebration of our graduate students. During the week of April 1st through 5th make an extra effort to show your students how much Iowa appreciates their hard work and dedication year-round.

Managing the Market Academic Job Docs Series

The Managing the Market Job Docs Series offers graduate students the chance to learn about and develop the job materials they will need for a variety of careers within the university. Each session will consist of an overview of the job document, a professional panel to share insights on drafting career materials from both the applicant and hiring committee perspectives, and activities and resources to help start the process of either creating or revising job documents. Students can register [here](#).

The Sessions will be:

- **Cover Letter** - Friday, April 12th: 12-2pm in Gerber Lounge, 304 English Philosophy Building
- **Research Statement** - Friday, April 19th: 12-2pm, location TBD
- **Teaching Statement** - Friday, April 26th: 12-2pm in Gerber Lounge, 304 English Philosophy Building
- **Diversity Statement** - Friday, May 3rd: 12-2pm in Jones Commons, 316 Lindquist Center

IDEAL Assignment Design Institute

Friday, April 12, 2019 - IDEAL's 7th Annual Assignment Design Institute will take place on Friday, April 12, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All are welcome, especially graduate students interested in innovative pedagogy. Keynote speaker Jesse Stommel will share a vision for enhancing students' learning while getting away from the idea that the grade matters above all else. The workshop that follows will offer a hands-on approach to teaching with media. See details in attachment.

International Undergraduate Orientation

International Student and Scholar Services is hiring several students to be small group leaders for international undergraduate orientation in August. Graduate and professional students are invited to apply through Hire a Hawk. Contact Lee Seedorff at lee-seedorff@uiowa.edu with any questions.

Grants & Fellowships

Humanities for the Public Good Summer Internships

This summer, as part of The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation-funded [Humanities for the Public Good](#) initiative, several paid internships are being offered during summer 2019 to graduate students seeking PhDs in humanities departments at the University of Iowa. Students in social science departments that include a humanities focus or qualitative approaches, such as anthropology, communication studies, and relevant areas in the College of Education, may also apply. More information about the internships can be found [here](#) and in the attached flyer. The application deadline for the internship program is **April 9, 2019**.

Spriestersbach Dissertation Prize

Nominations for the 2019 [D. C. Spriestersbach Dissertation Prize](#) in the Biological and Life Sciences and the Humanities and Fine Arts are now being accepted. Nominees must have received their doctoral degree or completed all doctoral degree requirements (includes having the final deposit of the dissertation cleared through the Graduate College) between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2019. Nominations are due **Wednesday, June 12, 2019**.

Rex Montgomery Dissertation Prize

Nominations for the 2019 [Rex Montgomery Dissertation Prize](#) are now open. The Montgomery Dissertation Prize recognizes the most meritorious dissertation by a doctoral student conducting research in prevention of disease and/or the translation of research into clinical practice. Students from a variety of graduate programs are eligible, including the biomedical and health sciences, as well as related social sciences. Nominees must have received or completed all requirements for the doctorate between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2019. Nominations are due **Wednesday, June 12, 2019**.

Graduate College Funding Resources

The Graduate College provides a wide variety of financial assistance to help masters and doctoral students meet educational, living, and professional development expenses. We provide close to 20 different [internal fellowship opportunities](#) and staff support for students seeking external grants and fellowships. The Graduate College also partners with the Graduate Student Employment Committee, which provides recommendations to University leadership on matters related to employment benefits. The current graduate employment agreement contains information on graduate assistant rights and benefits. If you have any questions, please contact us at grad-fellowships@uiowa.edu or call Associate Dean Shelly Campo (335-2136) or Executive Director of Operations Donna Welter (335-2145).

Commencement

Ceremonies and Apparel

On Friday, May 10, 2019, the Graduate College will conduct two commencement ceremonies. **Spring and summer graduates interested in participating in either ceremony should register as soon as possible, but no later than April 10, 2019.** Commencement apparel rental orders are also due on April 10, 2019. Orders received after April 10 will incur late fees. Registration and apparel details can be found on the [Graduate College Commencement webpage](#). The Doctoral program, held in Hancher Auditorium, begins at 9:00 AM. As a friendly reminder, the spring doctoral ceremony is a ticketed event. The Masters' program begins at 7:00 PM in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Photo Slideshow

The Masters' commencement ceremony will include a slideshow of student submitted photos. The Graduate College invites students to send one or two good quality photos for inclusion in the slideshow to john-riehl@uiowa.edu by **Wednesday, April 10, 2019**. We encourage photos of students (or groups of students) that include a meaningful aspect of the student experience at the University of Iowa (i.e. labs, mentors, projects, study groups, presentation, research/leadership). Submissions should include a brief description of the photo that includes: 1) what the student is doing, 2) where the student is, 3) with whom the student is pictured. Submissions should also include the student's name, degree, and program of study. Consistent with the University's practices, the Graduate College will assume the student received consent from all individuals in the photos to submit the photos for the public slideshow.

Courses

Writing for Learned Journals (GRAD:6300)

Graduate school leaves us with a number of promising yet incomplete projects. This seminar is designed as a workshop in which students deepen, develop and complete one of these projects. By demystifying the process of publication, teaching best practices for writing and research, and modeling rigorous peer-review, the course supports students in submitting a polished project to a learned journal in their field at the semester's end. This course examines knowledge creation across the disciplines and is open to students in any field of study in Fall 2019.

Resources

Would you or your graduate students like to learn more about planning for life after graduate school? The Graduate College provides [support and instruction](#) for graduate students or faculty interested in learning more about career exploration, career management tools like ImaginePhD and MyIDP, networking, and interviews & negotiation. [Request a workshop](#) or email us at grad-success@uiowa.edu.

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