Week of February 1-5, 2016  

Events and Deadlines

This weekly newsletter is sent out to dept. heads, graduate program directors and contact staff, and graduate faculty. All graduate students receive a weekly email from the GSC with information as it pertains to them.

Graduate Faculty

Rezac to present Commerce Bank Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award lecture today

As the 2015-2016 Commerce Bank and WT Kemper Foundation Distinguished Graduate Faculty recipient, Mary Rezac, professor of chemical engineering, will present a lecture to the campus community at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 2, in the Engineering Hall Room 1139. A reception will follow the lecture.

Three Minute Thesis Competition

We invite all graduate faculty to witness K-State's first Three Minute Thesis Competition on February 16 and 17. Approximately 40 graduate students will compete in preliminary competitions on February 16 from 2:45-6:30pm with top presenters advancing to final competition on February 17 at 7pm in Fiedler Auditorium.

Graduate Program Director and Contact Staff

Sokoto State Scholarships Awarded from Nigeria

The Graduate School has received notification from Ms. Wendy Matthews, Assistant Director of Special Programs and Sponsored Students, Office of International Programs, that K-State will no longer accept the Sokoto State Scholarships that are offered through the Nigerian government.

Accepting nominations for Donoghue Graduate Scholarships
This program is a way to recruit top candidates throughout the United States to K-State graduate programs. Nomination submission deadline, February 12.

**Accepting nominations for Presidential Doctoral Scholarship Program**

This program is initiated to recruit top candidates whose research will be in one of the research strength areas at K-State. Nomination submission deadline, February 12.

**Graduate Student Opportunities**

**Accepting the Job Offer: $tart $mart Salary Negotiation workshop**

This free workshop will prepare graduate students to negotiate starting salary when offered their first post-graduate school position, improve lifelong earning potential, articulate their value, build confidence in their negotiation style, and sharpen their budgeting skills. Event info: February 11, 3pm in DUE 1109 (Engineering Complex)

**Accepting nominations for the Sarachek Predoctoral Honors Fellowship**

The fellowship provides an award of $17,000 to a resident graduate student enrolled in a doctoral program at Kansas State University. Additionally, up to three Sarachek Scientific Travel Awards of $1,000 will be awarded. Students may nominate themselves or nominations may be submitted by K-State faculty. Nomination submission deadline, March 1.

**Empowering Women to Lead Worldwide: Overcoming Political and Social Struggles**

International gender equality and human rights advocate, Noorjahan Akbar, will give a keynote address *Empowering Women to Lead Worldwide: Overcoming Political and Social Struggles* on Tuesday, March 8 at 4:00 p.m. in Forum Hall, K-State Student Union to mark International Women’s Day. Admission is free and open to the public.

**Judges needed for annual Wamego Regional Science Fair**

Graduate students and faculty are invited to serve as a judge for the Wamego Regional Science Fair on March 4 at 5 pm at the Wamego High School. A catered meal will be served for those who judge.