

# K-State Graduate School

## Weekly Newsletter

**February 18, 2020** [Events and Deadlines](#)

This newsletter is distributed to department heads, graduate program directors, graduate program contact staff, and graduate faculty.

### **Graduate Program Directors**

#### [Division of Student Life Graduate Assistant Campus Visit Day](#)

Please help promote the Division of Student Life Graduate Assistant Visit Day to current and incoming graduate students in need of an assistantship. During the Graduate Assistant Visit Day on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, prospective graduate students can visit K-State, interview with Student Life departments/offices that have openings for the 2019-2020 academic year, and meet faculty within their program of interest. If you have students who may be interested in this opportunity, please encourage them to visit the Student Life [Graduate Assistantship Opportunities](#) webpage. Students who wish to attend must [register](#) for the Campus Visit Day **no later than 5:00 pm on March 4, 2020.**

#### [University Distinguished Professors Graduate Student Award](#)

The Graduate School is accepting applications for the University Distinguished Professors Graduate Student Award. Eligible graduate students must be admitted to candidacy at the time of application, in their last year of his or her doctoral degree program, be enrolled in the fall of the academic year of the award. The award is available to eligible students who meet the above criteria in any K-State college, department or program. Students may nominate themselves. K-State faculty may also submit nominations. [Application materials](#) should be submitted as one Word or PDF file to [udp@k-state.edu](mailto:udp@k-state.edu) by **April 1, 2020.**

### **Graduate Faculty**

#### [The Graduate School is accepting nominations for the Timothy R. Donoghue Graduate Scholarships for the 2020-2021 academic year](#)

This scholarship program was initiated by Timothy Donoghue, former Graduate School dean, as a way to recruit top candidates throughout the United States to K-

State graduate programs by offering graduate assistantship packages that are highly competitive. Donoghue Scholarships enhance the maximum package a graduate program can offer to top candidates, making the total package a partnership between the graduate program and the Graduate School. Funding is available for the 2020-2021 academic year to support a maximum of 10 masters and 20 doctoral applicants. The scholarship is renewable for a second academic year. Submit nomination form to [donoghuescholarship@ksu.edu](mailto:donoghuescholarship@ksu.edu) including a strong and detailed justification for the nomination by **February 21, 2020**.

### **[Attend the Three Minute Thesis Competition](#)**

All are invited to attend the Three Minute Thesis (3MT) final competition on February 27 at 5:30pm in the Alumni Center Banquet Room. The event will begin with a half-hour social period with light snacks and a cash bar. The formal program will begin at 6:00pm. Final competition participants are listed on the [Three Minute Thesis webpage](#). Judges will a first and second-place winner, and the audience will vote for a people's choice winner.

### **Volunteer to be a Judge at the K-State GRAD Forum**

The Graduate Student Council is calling for faculty and post-doc judge volunteers for the annual [K-State Graduate Research, Arts, and Discovery \(GRAD\) Forum](#), which will be held March 25 and 26, 2020. If interested in serving as a judge, please complete a [brief online form](#) to express your interest and provide your availability for the day.

### **[Commerce Bank and WT Kempber Foundation Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award](#)**

The Graduate School is accepting nominations for the Commerce Bank Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award. The award honors current members of the graduate faculty who are recognized nationally and internationally for their leadership and contributions to graduate education at K-State and their outstanding scholarly achievements. Recipients of the award will receive an honorarium and will be recognized during the fall Graduate School commencement ceremony and during a public lecture to the campus community. The materials noted below should be submitted as one Word or PDF file to [dgf@k-state.edu](mailto:dgf@k-state.edu) by **May 1, 2020**.

### **Graduate Students**

#### **[Eisenhower Hall Graduate Student Space - Safety Notice](#)**

The Graduate School would like to remind graduate students, faculty, and staff about the work spaces we have available specifically for graduate students on the third floor of Eisenhower Hall. These spaces are open for graduate students to use for study, group meetings, and GTA office hours.

**Fire Code Safety Notice** - Per Fire Marshall orders, use of extension cords is prohibited in the graduate student spaces. If students have questions or concerns about this policy or other aspects of the graduate student spaces, they should call (785-532-6191) or visit the Graduate School (113-119 Eisenhower Hall).

### **GSC Professional Development Seminar - Grant Writing 101**

This training is aimed at informing graduate students, post-docs, and early career faculty about various aspects of the grant writing process. Whether you are new to grant writing or have some experience, the information presented will be very relevant and valuable for you, including: terminology and the grant writing process, writing the narrative and project summary, developing your budget, and understanding the review criteria and review process. The seminar will be held **February 19, 2020, 1:00-5:00pm in the Wildcat Chamber**, K-State Student Union. Advance registration is requested.

### **Beyond the Professoriate Webinar - What every PhD should know about using LinkedIn**

**February 20, 11:00am CST** – Join Beyond the Professoriate co-founder L. Maren Wood, PhD for this 30 min webinar to learn how (and why!) every graduate student and PhD should be on LinkedIn! After attending this webinar, you will be able to recognize why LinkedIn is critical to a non-academic job search; develop a LinkedIn profile that communicates your value to potential employers; confidently engage with other professionals on the platform. **Advanced registration is required.**

### **The Library and Your Research - Retaining Rights to Promote Your Research**

**February 26, 12:30-1:30pm, 3121 College of Business Building** - Writing and publishing your scholarly work can be an exciting undertaking but also a daunting task. This workshop will cover how to understand publisher copyright contracts, your rights as an author, and how to potentially retain more of your rights when you decide to publish. Working on a thesis, dissertation, or report? Learn how to reuse your own work in your ETDR or publications and how to legally and ethically reuse others' works, all while getting a crash course in copyright. This session is also available via Zoom.

### **Accepting Applications for Sarachek Predoctoral Honors Fellowship and Travel Awards**

The Graduate School is accepting applications for the Sarachek Predoctoral Honors Fellowship and Travel Awards in Molecular Biology. The fellowship provides an award of \$17,000 to assist with the recipient's transition to the next stage of his or her career. Additionally, up to three Sarachek Scientific Travel Awards of \$1,000 each may be awarded annually. These awards are intended to recognize exceptional achievement in scholastics and research. Students must show evidence of effective communication of research results through publications in leading journals and presentations at national and international meetings. In order

to be eligible, a student must have completed preliminary exams, been admitted to candidacy, and their research must rely significantly on one or more contemporary molecular biological techniques. Additional information and application instructions are available on the Graduate School's website. **Application deadline: March 1, 2019.**

### **Graduate Student Council Travel Awards**

**March 1 is the deadline** for graduate students to apply for GSC travel awards for travel to academic and professional events that begin anytime in May.

### **K-State Alumni Association International Student Scholarship**

The international student scholarships are for current Kansas State University international students. Applicants must be degree-seeking graduate or undergraduate Kansas State University students enrolled at the Manhattan, Polytechnic, or Olathe campus. The applicants must have had leadership experience at K-State that has helped promote international involvement on campus. Students must complete the [KSN general scholarship application](#) by **March 1, 2020** for the 2020-2021 school year. More information is located here.

### **Accepting Applications: ETS Postdoctoral Fellowship Program**

This program provides opportunities for early-career scholars to work with ETS researchers on a variety of cutting-edge topics, including foundational research as well as research embedded in real-world testing programs. Candidates must have received their doctorate within the past three years. This year, ETS is seeking applications in the following areas of expertise: measurement, psychometrics and statistics; process data modeling and analysis; and artificial intelligence. **Application Deadlines: March 1, 2020 (preliminary) and April 15, 2020 (final)**

## **Science Communication Conference Opportunities**

### **ComSciCon**

Applications are now open for [ComSciCon](#) 2020! The 8th annual Communicating Science workshop will be held in Boston, MA, on June 11-13, 2020. Graduate students at U.S. and Canadian institutions in all fields of science, technology, engineering, health, mathematics, and related fields are encouraged to apply. Fifty graduate students will be selected to attend. Attendance is free, and travel support and lodging will be provided to accepted applicants. Participants will build the communication skills that scientists and other technical professionals need to express complex ideas to the general public, experts in other fields, and their own peers. In addition to panel discussions (on topics such as Creative Storytelling, Science Journalism, and Diversity/Inclusivity), ample time will be allotted for networking with science communication experts and developing science outreach

collaborations with fellow graduate students. **The application deadline is March 1, 2020.**

### **[SciComm 2020](#)**

Registration is open for [SciComm](#), a professional conference on effective science communication. The conference will be March 27-29 at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The conference attracts a nationwide pool of scientists, educators, professional communicators, students and artists, who aim to gain training in effective science communication techniques, forge connections, and get critical feedback to grow their skills. **Presentation submissions are due March 6. Conference registration closes March 23.**

### **[Graduate Student Writing Retreat](#)**

The Writing Center and Graduate School are hosting the annual Graduate Student Writing Retreat May 19-22 and 26-27. The retreat provides graduate students time and space to write in a supportive atmosphere and promotes effective writing practices to boost the dissertation- and thesis-writing process. **Application deadline is March 18.**

### **[Graduate Research Opportunities at DOE National Laboratories](#)**

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Science is pleased to announce that the Office of Science Graduate Student Research (SCGSR) program is now accepting applications for the 2020 Solicitation 1. The SCGSR program supports supplemental awards to outstanding U.S. graduate students to conduct part of their graduate thesis research at a DOE national laboratory/facility in collaboration with a DOE laboratory scientist for a period of 3 to 12 consecutive months—with the goal of preparing graduate students for scientific and technical careers critically important to the DOE Office of Science mission. The SCGSR program is open to current Ph.D. students in qualified graduate programs at accredited U.S. academic institutions, who are conducting their graduate thesis research in targeted areas of importance to the DOE Office of Science. Direct questions to the SCGSR Program Manager, Dr. Ping Ge, at [sc.scgsr@science.doe.gov](mailto:sc.scgsr@science.doe.gov).

**Applications are due 5:00pm Eastern Time on Wednesday, May 6, 2020.**

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