

K-State Graduate School

Weekly Newsletter

December 22, 2020 [Events and Deadlines](#)

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

Graduate Faculty

CollegeNet: Using the Updated Interface to review your graduate applications.

After December 31, 2020, viewing videos in Admit Reader will no longer be available due to Adobe ending their support for the product. If you are still using Admit Reader for application review we recommend using the Work List in the Updated Interface. [Click here for additional guidance.](#)

Work List replaces Admit Reader for reviewing assigned applications. If you review applications directly, you can do this from the general Admit Updated Interface. To see all the guidance documents, [click here](#) for the [CollegeNet webpage](#).

Graduate Students

[Diploma and Transcript for Fall 2020 Graduates](#)

It is important that masters and doctoral students graduating this semester be aware of deadlines and procedures for receiving their diploma at the correct address and a transcript with their final grades.

- December 25, 2020 – deadline for graduates to order a final transcript at no charge

Additional details are available on the [Graduate School website](#).

New International Student Check-In

All new international graduate students are required to check in via email with International Student and Scholar Services at iss@ksu.edu upon their arrival.

They should also email the Graduate School at gradintladmt@ksu.edu to make an appointment to bring their official transcripts to the Graduate School. Graduate School needs to limit the number of people in the lobby due to COVID-19.

New students are required to complete the TB questionnaire on Lafene Health Center's patient portal at www.k-state.edu/lafene and click on myLafene+ patient portal. They will not be able to enroll until they complete the questionnaire and Lafene Health Center officials have removed the hold on the enrollment. Any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lafene Health Center.

Complete a Survey to Help Create a Grad Student Housing Guide

The Graduate Student Council and Graduate School encourage graduate students who live in Manhattan to complete a brief survey about their housing experiences. Survey responses will be used to create a housing guide, which will be a valuable resource for incoming students. Securing housing can be one of the most challenging aspects of the transition to a new institution for graduate school. Those who complete the survey may record their name and email address at the end of the survey (on the "confirm identity" page) for a chance to win a gift from Radina's. [Complete the survey.](#)

[GSC Professional Development event recordings available](#)

Graduate Student Council (GSC) professional development events have concluded for the fall 2020 semester. Several of the events were video recorded and are available for viewing. Graduate students and post-docs who attend at least five GSC professional development events within the 2020-2021 academic year will be presented with a GSC Professional Development Certificate. Students must complete a feedback survey after participating in an event to earn credit toward the certificate, and credit may be earned by viewing event video recordings in place or, or in addition to participating in live events. Visit the [GSC Professional Development](#) webpage to view event recordings.

SPEAK Testing for International GTA Candidates

The English Language Program is offering individual SPEAK testing on Zoom for international graduate students on the following dates:

- January 19-21

To register for a test date, please contact the English Language Program at elp@ksu.edu. Testing will be available for both current students and newly admitted students for Spring of 2021.

*Please note that since each candidate must meet with an ELP instructor before testing, a minimum of one week is required between the time you register for the test and the actual test date.

Graduate Student Council Travel Awards

The GSC continues to accept travel award applications, and applications must be submitted by the appropriate deadline. However, per the [announcement made on March 14](#), all university-affiliated or sponsored travel is banned until further notice, and students should not make travel arrangements until the ban is lifted, unless granted special university approval. At this time, GSC travel awards may be used to reimburse registration fees associated with conferences being held in a virtual format. **January 1 is the deadline** for graduate students to apply for GSC travel awards for travel to academic and professional events that begin anytime in March.

Register now for NIJ's Research Assistantship Program (RAP), Academic Year 2021-2022

NIJ's Research Assistantship Program (RAP) offers highly qualified doctoral students practical and applied research experience in the criminal justice field. They provide funds to participating universities to pay salaries and other costs associated with research assistants who work on NIJ research activities. The deadline for applications is **December 23, 2020**.

Graduate Fellowship Opportunity at Kansas State University

The Rural Resources Resiliency NSF Research Traineeship Program is now recruiting current K-State graduate students in Agricultural Economics, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Sociology, and closely related fields. The program prepares future leaders to solve the grand challenges of creating sustainable food, energy, and water systems in rural communities in semi-arid regions. We investigate engineering and socioeconomic innovations to conserve water, create renewable energy and help sustain rural communities. NSF sponsored training includes a generous stipend and paid tuition for up to two years for eligible trainees. [Application](#) deadline is **Jan. 8, 2021**.

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