

# K-State Graduate School

## Weekly Newsletter

### **Week of May 9-13, 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**

### **Graduate School welcomes new staff**

The Graduate School is pleased to welcome Ms. Cynthia Brott as administrative assistant. Cynthia will be assuming the responsibilities previously performed by Ms. Shannon Fox.

### **Graduate School spring commencement video stream**

The 2016 Spring Commencement Ceremony is Friday, May 13 at 1 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. If you are unable to be at Bramlage in person, the live video stream will be available.

### **New NSF program for graduate student professional development funding**

NSF has identified an improvement in graduate student preparedness for entering the workforce as one of its Agency Priority Goals. As part of this goal, NSF supplemental funding is available in FY 2016 and FY 2017 to support science and engineering doctoral students so that they can acquire the knowledge, experience, and skills needed for highly productive careers, inside and outside of academia. Attached, you can learn more about the opportunities.

### **Notable Achievements Newsletter**

The Graduate School's Notable Achievement spring edition is now available for view. The Notable Achievement Newsletter showcases graduate student's accomplishment across the university. All recommendations were made by K-State faculty who have worked with the students and feel the student should be recognized.

# Graduate Program Directors

## [Graduate Student Ambassador Program](#)

16 graduate students from a variety of colleges were selected to be the Graduate School's first official Graduate Student Ambassadors. The Graduate Student Ambassadors are now available to assist graduate program directors with their recruitment efforts! Ambassadors will answer any questions prospective graduate students have via email and assist with providing campus tours to potential and newly incoming graduate students.

# Graduate Student Opportunities

## Student Health Insurance

Graduate Student Health Insurance for the Summer 2016 semester is open for enrollment starting May 1, 2016 and closes June 30, 2016. More information regarding student-only premium plans and how to enroll can be found at <https://www.uhcsr.com/k-state>. Note that to be eligible the graduate student must be enrolled in 3 or more credit hours during the summer.

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