

# K-State Graduate School

## Weekly Newsletter

### **Week of August 8-12, 2016**    **Events and Deadlines**

*This weekly newsletter is sent out to dept. heads, graduate program directors and contact staff, and graduate faculty.*

#### **Graduate Program Directors**

##### **Changes in Graduate Handbook based on actions of Graduate Council**

The Graduate Council passed two changes to the Graduate School Handbook during the 2015-2016 academic year that will require action on the part of each graduate program. These changes go into effect fall semester 2016. Future newsletters will summarize other changes that were passed to enhance clarity of other sections of the Graduate Handbook.

#### **Graduate Student Opportunities**

##### **Deadline for summer graduates Friday August 12**

For students who are graduating this summer, Friday August 12 is the final day to submit the Final Examination Ballot, Final ETDR Ballot, Final ETDR to K-REx to officially graduate this summer. Review the student checklist on the Graduate School website for the full list of deadlines.

##### **ETDR walk-in help August 9-12**

Graduating students: Get help formatting your electronic thesis, dissertation, or report (ETDR) at the Media Development Center (213 Hale Library) this week.

##### **Fall 2016 Graduate Student Welcome and Orientation Activities**

The Graduate School and other campus partners will host welcome and orientation activities for new and returning graduate students

enrolled in Manhattan campus graduate programs during the week of August 17. Advanced registration is requested by August 12. We appreciate your assistance with promoting these activities to new and returning graduate students in your program. Orientation videos also are available for Global Campus students under the Graduate School's 'Transitioning to K-State' website.

### **[Plan ahead for fall graduate student award deadlines](#)**

Graduate programs are encouraged to nominate outstanding graduate students for the [GSC/MAGS Awards for Graduate Student Teaching Excellence Award](#) and for the [MAGS/ProQuest Distinguished Thesis Award](#). Both of these awards have nomination deadlines in September. The summer is a great time for programs to identify nominees and begin working on nomination materials. Also be sure to check-out other graduate student award opportunities available throughout the year.

### **[Save the date for 2016-17 GSC Research Forum events](#)**

Three graduate student research forum dates have been set for the up-incoming academic year. We encourage graduate students to participate and present their research or scholarly work to gain experience articulating their research to the public, be critiqued by others and be able to respond to the critique.

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