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**Events and Deadlines**

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

**Graduate Program Directors**

**Master students!**

If completing graduation requirements on or before December 6, 2019, and attending commencement, please have the online commencement registration completed no later than December 6, 2019. Note: if you are on an F-1/J-1 visa, please check with International Students and Scholar Services for possible enrollment requirements for the spring semester 2020 to maintain your non-immigrant status.

Note: This option is not available for a doctoral student.

**DEADLINE DATES FOR INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE APPLICATIONS**

**Deadline dates for International Applicants**

All application materials (i.e. online application, application fee, TOEFL scores, affidavit of financial support form & supporting bank documentation, transcripts) should be uploaded with the application.

- January 8 for fall (August) enrollment
- August 1 for spring (January) enrollment
- December 1 for summer (June) enrollment

**Deadline dates for Departments to send recommended international applications (including all required application materials) to the Graduate School.**

Applicants applying for Spring. **September 1** deadline includes individuals who are:
1. Living outside of the United States
2. Distance learning applicants
3. Applicants who are currently enrolled at an institution in the United States, who plan to graduate in December and
plan to travel outside of the United States prior to January. **October 1** deadline includes individuals who are: 1. Living in the United States and who do not plan to travel outside of the United States prior to January. Individuals admitted for Spring should plan to arrive on campus no later than **January 10**.

**Applicants applying for Summer.**

**January 15** deadline includes individuals who are:
1. Living outside of the United States and inside the United States
2. Distance learning applicants
3. Applicants who are currently enrolled at an institution in the United States, who plan to graduate in May and plan to travel outside of the United States prior to May. Individuals admitted for Summer should plan to arrive on campus no later than **May 19**.

**Applicants applying for Fall.**

**February 1** deadline includes individuals who are:
1. Living outside of the United States
2. Distance learning applicants
3. Applicants who are currently enrolled at an institution in the United States, who plan to graduate in May or July and plan to travel outside of the United States prior to August. **June 1** deadline includes individuals who are:
   1. Living in the United States and who do not plan to travel outside of the United States prior to August. Individuals admitted for Fall should plan to arrive on campus no later than **August 14**.

Many of the individuals that we issue I-20’s to are experiencing long delays in obtaining interviews for their VISA. Others are finding flights to the United States more limited. It is imperative that you do not wait until the deadline dates to send your completed international applications to the Graduate School.

**Ford Foundation Fellowship Programs**

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine is accepting applications for the 2020 Ford Foundation Fellowship Programs. Eligibility and online application information are available on the [Ford Foundation Fellowship Programs](https://www.nationalacademies.org/eeef) website. Through its Fellowship Programs, the Ford Foundation seeks to increase the diversity of the nation's college and university faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, to maximize the educational benefits of diversity, and to increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students.

**Registration open for Spring 2020 Graduate Student Orientation**

The Graduate School and other campus support units will host welcome and orientation activities for new graduate students admitted to graduate programs for the **spring 2020 term during the week of January 13th**. A schedule of sessions and activities is available on the [Graduate School website](https://www.graduate.gatech.edu/). Incoming graduate students who have accepted their admission offer in CollegeNet will be sent a direct email notification about orientation. To ensure that all students receive this information, graduate programs are encouraged to promote graduate
student orientation activities to their new and current graduate students. Current
students who were unable to attend orientation their first semester or would like a
refresher are welcome to attend. Advanced registration is requested.

**Graduate Faculty**

**Fulbright Information Session**

The Office of Research Development will host an informational session about the
Fulbright Scholar Program from 3:30-5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, in 207 K-State
Student Union. The [Fulbright Scholar Program](#) offers nearly 500 teachings,
research or combination teaching/research awards in more than 125
countries. This session will include a brief overview of the submission requirements
and a panel of K-State Fulbright scholar awardees. The panel members will talk
about their experience, the logistics of setting up an extended stay in another
country and provide tips for the Fulbright scholar's submission. Attendees will have
the opportunity to ask questions. For questions about this event, please email
ord@k-state.edu. Please [register](#).

**Distinguished Graduate Faculty**

The Graduate School is pleased to recognize Dr. Robert Goodband, professor of
Animal Sciences and Industry as a 2019 Commerce Bank Distinguished Graduate
Faculty. Please save the following date for their upcoming lecture.
Robert Goodband, Tuesday, **December 17, 2019, 3:30 p.m.** K-State Student
Union, room 207

**Graduate Students**

**Student-Mentor Relationships in Academia**

This event will focus on training graduate students in mentoring skills. There will
also be a section on advisor/graduate student relationships, what to do when your
work environment is not right, who to talk to for assistance, and what to do when
you have made a decision to change your major advisor or your lab. **December
4th from 2:00-3:00 pm**, at the Wildcat Chambers in the K-State Student Union.

**Grad Breakfast for fall 2019 graduates**

Fall graduates are invited to Grad Breakfast from 9-10:30 a.m. Dec. 12 at the K-
State Alumni Center. Graduates enjoy a free breakfast served by members of the
K-State administration as well as a free T-shirt (while supplies last), prize
drawings and the opportunity to network with other graduates and start making
alumni connections. Graduates that plan to attend the breakfast are asked
to [register](#) by **December 5th** at midnight.

**For Women in Science!**

The L'Oréal USA For Women in Science fellowship program awards female
scientists at a critical stage in their careers with grants of $60,000 each. The
program is seeking five exceptional female scientists looking to advance their research and serve as role models for the next generation of girls in STEM. The program is the U.S. component of the L'Oréal-UNESCO For Women in Science International Fellowships program.

L’Oréal USA partners with the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) to manage the program’s application and peer-review process. Each year, the program attracts talented applicants from diverse STEM fields, representing some of the nation’s leading academic institutions and laboratories. For more information about the L’Oréal USA For Women in Science program, please visit the website and apply. The completed applications are due no later than January 31, 2020, and the wards will be announced in October 2020.

**Rotary Peace Fellowships**

Each year, Rotary selects individuals from around the world to receive fully funded academic fellowships in Peace and Conflict resolution studies at one of our peace centers. These fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and all internship/field study expenses. Eligible candidates may not be a Rotarian or related to a Rotarian. Two types of fellowships are available. Rotary will begin accepting applications for the 2020 Rotary Peace Fellowships in February 2020. The application will be available online. Submit your application through your local Rotary club prior to May 1, 2020. Contact Chuck Udell or Patti Mellard, District Chairs, for help with the application.

**MASTER’S DEGREE FELLOWSHIP**

Studies in fields related to peace and conflict resolution and prevention. Requires a minimum of 3 years of related work or volunteer experience and a bachelor’s degree. Programs last 15–24 months and require a practical internship of 2–3 months during the academic break. Up to 50 master’s fellowships each year.

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE**

A program for those with more extensive experience in peace-related fields (5 or more years related experience required). This is a 3-month (Jan – April or June – August) program in peace and conflict resolution at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. This program incorporates 2–3 weeks of field study. Up to 50 certificates awarded each year.