November 12, 2019   Events and Deadlines

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

Graduate Program Directors

Fall 2019 Graduation and Commencement Deadline – November 15

Master's and doctoral students who wish to graduate this semester and participate in fall 2019 commencement must complete all requirements by November 15. Graduate students and their major professors should be familiar with graduation and commencement requirements. The Deadlines for Graduation and ETDR Submission checklists provide step-by-step instructions for completing all requirements.

ETDR Walk-In Help Sessions

The fall semester deadline is 5 p.m. Friday, November 15 for submitting ETDRs (electronic theses, dissertations, and reports) to the Graduate School. Graduate students can use the resources below to help finish by the deadline.

Walk-in ETDR help sessions are scheduled November 5 – 15:

- Wednesday, November 13 – 2:30-4:30 p.m.
- Thursday, November 14 – 1:30-3:30 p.m.
- Friday, November 15 – 3-5 pm

All sessions are in the Media Center (MC) in Seaton Hall, Room 1 (basement level). The MC has Windows and Mac computers, scanners, Microsoft Office Suite, and Acrobat Pro software. MC consultants are available to help with PDF-conversion issues.

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:

**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 State 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:

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.
**AAUW International Fellowships for women graduate students and postdocs**

Women pursuing full-time graduate or postdoctoral study in the United States who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Apply soon before the Deadline Nov. 15, 2019: Funding: $18,000-$30,000.

**AAUW Career Development Grants**

Women pursuing a certificate or degree to advance their careers, change careers, or re-enter the workforce and whose bachelor's degree was received at least five years before the award period. Apply soon before the Deadline Nov 15, 2019: Funding: $2,000-$12,000.

**AAUW Selected Professions Fellowships**

Women pursuing full-time study in a master’s or professional degree program in which women are underrepresented, including STEM, law, business, and medicine. Apply soon before the Deadline: Dec 1, 2019. Funding: $5,000-$18,000.

**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 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. 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**

**Office of Science Graduate Student Research (SCGSR) Program**
The U.S. Department of Energy’s Office of Science is now accepting applications for the Office of Science Graduate Student Research (SCGSR) program 2019 Solicitation 2. Applications are due by 5:00 pm Eastern Time on November 14, 2019. I would like to bring to your attention 4 new research areas added to encourage activities at the convergence of multiple disciplines and communities. Included: Microelectronics, Data Science, Fundamental Symmetries and Accelerator Science. We strongly encourage applications in these areas. The SCGSR program provides doctoral dissertation/thesis research opportunities for graduate students at DOE national laboratories. Details about the program, research areas, and online application.

**Graduate Students**

**Building Your Professional Network**

This workshop will prepare you with the skills to network within your chosen field and profession, build relationships, and engage in meaningful conversations. Networking is an important skill set to exercise within the graduate school and beyond. It can help to land your first job and assist in gaining future opportunities. Join us at this workshop, led by Amy Gross, Executive Vice President of Operations and Training at Dale Carnegie-Kansas Heartland. Come learn how to successfully build your professional network. **November 12, 1:30-2:30 pm**, Wildcat Chamber, K-State Student Union. **Advance registration (at least 48 hours prior)** to the event is requested but not required. [Register here.](#)

**Networking and Etiquette Dinner**

The GSC Networking and Etiquette Dinner will feature guest speaker Anne Deluca, Assistant Director and liaison to the College of Engineering in the Career Center. She will present an interactive session about fine dining etiquette for formal and business settings, including meals that are held as part of a job interview. This event will include a networking session, a three-course meal, and an opportunity to practice proper dining etiquette.

**Check-in and networking: 5:30 pm**  
**Dinner: 6:00 pm**  
**Business attire is encouraged.** Advanced registration and payment of $25 required by November 12, 2019. [Register Here.](#)

**Entering Mentoring: Maintaining Effective Communication & Cultivating Ethical Behavior**

This workshop will focus on strategies to establish and maintain effective communication, including ways to handle problems that arise. This workshop will also address ways to cultivate ethical behavior, which follows from aligned expectations, effective communication, and a healthy, inclusive working environment. If you are interested in attending these workshops, please fill out this short survey so we know the number of participants to expect. For questions contact [Dr. Jeremy Marshall](mailto:). Graduate Students [reserve here.](#) The event is held Wednesday, **November 20, 6-8 pm**. Business Building room 4001.
Graduate Student Council (GSC) Travel award application deadline

December 1, 2019, is the deadline for graduate students to apply for a GSC travel award for professional events that begin anytime in February 2020.