October 15, 2019  **Events and Deadlines**

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

**Graduate Program Directors**

**Update Meeting with Departments and Graduate Programs**

**October 22, 2019**  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
**Town Hall, Leadership Studies Building**  
All department heads, graduate program directors, and graduate program contact staff are encouraged to attend the Fall 2019 update meeting with the Graduate School administration team.

**USDA APHIS NBAF SCIENTIST TRAINING PROGRAM**

The purpose of the USDA APHIS NBAF Scientist Training Program, or NSTP, is to build the necessary technical and subject matter expertise to support the Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (FADDL) at the new National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility in Manhattan, KS. In addition to serving as an international reference laboratory for foot and mouth disease virus and a national reference laboratory for other foreign animal diseases such as classical swine fever and African swine fever viruses, FADDL’s mission will expand to include emerging and zoonotic diseases, including BSL-4 pathogens. [Application](#) information is available for the **Deadline for Spring Semester 2020 at 5:00 p.m., October 23, 2019**. Please submit the completed application to Ms. Cynthia Brott at the Graduate school.

**Spring 2020 Recruitment Weekend Funding Availability**

The Graduate School is offering a funding opportunity to assist programs desiring to bring admitted doctoral students to campus for a spring 2020 visit. The Graduate School will fund a limited number of graduate programs **up to $5000 for this purpose**. To receive the maximum award, a program must have 10 or more admitted doctoral students participating in the event. Programs that plan to bring fewer than 10 students to campus would request funding of up to $500 per student. Programs will be expected to make the travel and other arrangements and provide any additional funding necessary to support
activities. Funding will be provided for doctoral applicants unless the terminal degree in the program is Masters. The deadline for submission of the application materials is 8 a.m. Monday, **Nov. 11, 2019**. No late applications will be accepted. Read more information [here](#). Recruitment Weekend Grant [Application Form](#).

**Interested in Recruiting McNair Scholars to your graduate program?**

The Graduate School has access to the 2019-2020 McNair Scholars Directory to use specifically for recruiting new graduate students. The directory includes contact information for McNair Scholars who have expressed interest in graduate studies and includes information on recent graduates, seniors and rising seniors. The directory was developed through a collaboration between the Council for Opportunity in Education and the Council of Graduate Schools (CGS).

The Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program is the single largest federal effort aimed at preparing low-income, first-generation college, and minority students to pursue graduate studies. The McNair Program is funded through the U.S. Department of Education's TRIO programs and provides participants with research internships, faculty mentors, opportunities to present and publish results of their research, undergraduate teaching experience, and assistance with applying to and preparing for graduate school.

If your graduate program would like to use the directory to send information to prospective graduate students who would have had research experience as part of their undergraduate program, please contact Associate Dean Dissanayake at [sunanda@ksu.edu](mailto:sunanda@ksu.edu). This is a good opportunity to increase the diversity among your graduate students.

**AAUW American Fellowships for women doctoral, postdoc faculty**

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is a global leader in educational funding for women, awarding nearly $4 million annually to women scholars (graduate/professional degree students, postdocs, and faculty). The recipients conduct research and pursue study in a wide range of disciplines. Women pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks. [Apply](#) soon before the **Deadline Nov. 1, 2019**: Funding: $6,000-$30,000

**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.

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Annual Science Communication Week, Oct. 12-19

The Kansas Science Communication Initiative (KSCI) will celebrate science communication with events and activities Oct. 12-19. All K-State students, faculty, and staff and community members are invited to participate, and all events are free unless otherwise noted. KSCI brings together Kansas State University and the community to engage people in talking about science and research.

Second annual Kansas Digital Literacy Day

The second Adobe Digital Literacy Day in Kansas will take place on Friday, Oct. 18, at Kansas State University as part of Science Communication Week. Come see how educators across the state of Kansas — and the country — are using Adobe software as a visual communication tool and for an engaging multimodal learning experience in class. Student digital assets will be showcased along with some app workshops. While registration is FREE, we ask each attendee to register so we can be sure to provide sufficient space and meals (lunch will be provided by Adobe). Register Here. If you have any questions about the event, please feel free to contact Tom Hallaq.
Call for faculty mentors for 2020 SUROP

The Graduate School is searching for potential faculty mentors for the Summer Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (SUROP), for summer 2020. SUROP is designed to provide research experience to non-KSU undergraduate students who have an interest in pursuing graduate study. Graduate faculty interested in serving as mentors must be available during the majority of the nine-week program — approximately late May to late July — and should have regular and frequent interactions with their SUROP students. For each SUROP participant mentored by its faculty, a department must contribute $2,000 to assist with the total cost of supporting the SUROP participant. K-State graduate faculty members interested in serving as a SUROP mentor should express their interest via email to Claudia Tedoni by Friday, Oct. 25.

Entering Mentoring: Aligning Expectations & Addressing Equity and Inclusion

This workshop will focus on how to establish both mentor and mentee expectations at the beginning of the working relationship, as well as ways to ensure that expectations continue to benefit both the mentor and mentee. It will also address strategies for addressing equity and inclusion. Friday, 25 October, 2-4 pm at the Business Building room 4001. Please register here.

Research Connections offers the opportunity to build interdisciplinary collaborations, find resources and promote your work.

K-State faculty, postdocs, graduate students and staff engaged in research, scholarly, and creative activity and discovery are invited to participate in Research Connections. The event will be 3-5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29, in the K-State Alumni Center Banquet Room. Exhibitors will have a table and display space for posters, banners, signs, handouts, and some limited equipment or other items. Setup will be available starting at 1 p.m. Register now as an exhibitor or to attend. The event is designed to give K-State researchers a venue in which they can learn what their colleagues are doing, promote their own work, and explore possible collaborations. Exhibitors and attendees also will have an opportunity to learn about K-State resources that are available to support research, scholarly, and creative activity and discovery at K-State.

Volunteer to be a Poster Judge at Research and the State

The Graduate Student Council is calling for faculty and post-doc judge volunteers for the annual Research and the State graduate student poster session, which will be held on October 31, 2019, in the K-State Student Union Courtyard from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Volunteers must be available at 12:45 p.m. for at least 1.5 hours on October 31. If interested in serving as a judge, please complete a brief online form to express your interest and provide your availability for the day.
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.

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The Library and Your Research Workshops- Transitioning From RefWorks

K-State’s subscription to RefWorks is ending December 31. This workshop will help participants who have been using RefWorks to transfer their citations to another citation manager. We will demonstrate using Zotero, but can provide assistance transferring to other citation managers. Can’t make this class? Visit:

The event begins on Monday, October 21 at 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm., at the College of Business, 1053.

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2020 Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Small Grant Program for K-State Graduate Students

The Graduate School is pleased to announce the sixth year of the Small Grant Program to support research expenses for masters and doctoral students in their final year. Grants will be up to $1,000 for research costs with funds available after January 15, 2020. Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on November 8th.

2019-2020 Graduate Student Council Meetings

Graduate student organizations are strongly encouraged to send a representative to each GSC monthly meeting in order to keep their organization informed about GSC events and opportunities. GSC meetings also provide student groups an opportunity to connect with each other, share ideas, and engage in discussions on
current topics as they related to graduate student life. All graduate students are
greeted to attend the monthly GSC meetings. November 4th will be the next
meeting, Alumni Center, Tadtman Board Room (2nd Floor), noon-1:00 p.m.