

Graduate College

The latest news and updates from OUHSC Graduate College



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Announcements:

Please cast your vote for next year's GSA Officers!

Nominees for 2021-2022 will be preparing short introductory videos which will be shared prior to the election which will be held May 6th.

Graduate Student Association (GSA) – The Graduate College GSA will meet April 1st via Zoom.

Students from all MS- and PhD-seeking programs are welcome and encouraged to join the monthly meetings!

The GSA is planning on hosting a monthly virtual social event for the foreseeable future (until we can be in person again). Be on the look-out for the Zoom email invites.

Visit our website

<https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Graduate-Student-Association> for more information!

Postdoc Association (PDA) – The OUHSC PDA will meet by Zoom April 12th from 12:00 – 1:00PM. . Be on the look-out for the email with the Zoom link. All Postdocs are encouraged to attend!

Professional & Career Development Seminar – Dr. Christopher Horton, Assistant Director, Graduate Program in Biomedical Sciences (GPiBS) will discuss “Transitioning from Research to a Teaching Career: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly”, Friday, April 16th at noon. Zoom link will be emailed.

Announcements *Continued*:

OUHSC Graduate College Convocation: Save the Date – We invite you to join us for the OUHSC Graduate College Virtual Convocation on Saturday, May 15 at 2 PM CT. The link for the Convocation will be announced in May. The ceremony will celebrate graduates from Summer 2019 through Spring 2021. Keynote Speaker: Michael T. Nietzel, PhD, President Emeritus, Missouri State University

Offer from the American Association for the Advancement of Science - To reduce the financial burden associated with the cost of Membership for trainees, AAAS offers gift memberships for one year.

This program is open to undergraduate, graduate students and postdocs who are not current or past AAAS members. It provides some of the following benefits to students:

- Receive a year's digital subscription to Science
- Join AAAS sections
- Free Member Resources and Event Discounts
- AAAS Member Community
- Stay updated on science
- Access to information about internship and job opportunities.

To apply, go to: aaas.org/sponsoredstudent. Where it asks for the name of the Section Officer who is sponsoring you, put in Gillian Air, and the section is "N Medical Sciences". Once you have registered, and your Membership has been accepted, you will receive an email confirmation from AAAS to activate your complimentary Membership. This may take up to a month.

2021 GREAT Symposium – Thank you for another successful GREAT Symposium! On behalf of the Graduate College and the Graduate Student Association, we would like to say thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this event a true success. This event is a tremendous learning opportunity for everyone involved that continues expand each and every year and that would not be possible without your support. Thank you again and see you all next year! See the complete list of award winners [HERE](#)

Elsevier Presents: Stem Success Workshop Series – Students are invited to join our experts for a series of free, half-hour workshops as we navigate trending topics in STEM research!

April 6th – Searching for & Reading Scientific Literature: Cracking the Code

April 13th – I finished my Research, Now How Do I Write About it?

April 20th – Can I use that? References, Open Access, and You

April 27th – Finals are coming! STEM Study Tips to Avoid Burnout

Register [HERE](#)

Inaugural Innovations in Aging Day – Friday, April 23, 2021 9:00-12:00 pm. Register for this free event [HERE](#)

- Keynote Speaker: Dr. Aanand Naik, MD at 9:00 am
- Top Abstract Presentations for Innovation in Aging
- Networking with your OUHSC colleagues working in aging-related fields, using Zoom breakout rooms

Important Links and Information!

Guidance for Graduate Students

Graduate College Return to Campus Policy [HERE](#)

- Click [here](#) for the Graduate College Policies related to COVID-19

- Click [here](#) for telecommuting ideas for graduate students

NIH Wellness Links:

Faculty/University leadership discussions with OITE Wellness Advisors

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IjppE17PULM>

Tips for setting up your Zoom dissertation/thesis defense

Academic Technology has developed guidelines and advice to dissertation defenses on Zoom. You can find it at <https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Forms-and-Guidelines> under "Guidelines"

OUHSC News on the COVID-19 – Please visit <https://www.ouhsc.edu/coronavirus> for up-to-date information for the Coronavirus and OUHSC.

GSA COVID Information Flyer – **OUHSC GSA's quick guide to your COVID-19 resources.**

Announcements *Continued*:

I-CCEW - Applications for the **fall 2021 internship with the Irani Center for the Creation of Economic Wealth (I-CCEW)** are opening this Friday (2/26) and set to close on April 2nd.

If you have any further questions please contact Haley Rader (hrader@ou.edu), the Internship Director with the Ronnie K Irani Center for the Creation of Economic Wealth

30th Annual Molecular Parasitology & Vector Biology Symposium - hosted by the Center for Tropical and Emerging Global Diseases at the University of Georgia. It will be held virtually on **Tuesday, May 4, 2021**.

This day-long regional conference on parasites and host/parasite interaction draws more than 200 attendees from many departments at UGA and colleagues from other institutions throughout the United States. As this year it will be held virtually, we are expecting many more participants so it is important that you pre-register by **Tuesday, April 27**.

Graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and other researchers are invited to present their research in either an oral or poster presentation. Abstracts for these presentations are due by **Friday, April 9**.

There is no cost to attend the Symposium but **registration is required by Tuesday, April 27**.

For more information and to register, please visit <https://ctegd.uga.edu/events/symposium/>

Nature Masterclasses – As a member of the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center you have full access to [The Biomedical & Life Sciences Collection](#). The collection is used in teaching and as continuing support for researchers. It includes seminar-style talks on a wide range of topics extending from basic research to therapeutic intervention, from the level of the single molecule to entire populations and includes both advanced and introductory-level talks. Please visit <https://masterclasses.nature.com/register> to register.

Access to NMC is funded by the Bird Library and the Graduate College.

Wolfram Products – available to faculty, staff, and students through a site license at University of Oklahoma for use in courses and research projects. Get access [HERE](#)

Spotlight Meaningful Experiences - All graduate students are welcome to participate in a photo shoot to showcase people and places in our graduate programs. The photos will be shared in various publications through the Graduate College and Student Affairs. To participate, meet us on the Bird Library patio on Wednesday, April 7 at 9 AM.

We will observe social distancing. Bring a mask and a friend!

Announcements *Continued*:

The Graduate College announces the following Master's Thesis Defense:

Benjamin Gochanour, "A NONPARAMETRIC MULTIPLE IMPUTATION METHOD FOR CAUSAL INFERENCE"

MS in Biostatistics

Thesis Committee: Sixia Chen (Chair), Laura Beebe, Chao Xu

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
April 1	GSA Meeting Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 12:00 pm
April 5	Unit 4 Group Discussion: Self-Advocacy and Assertiveness for Scientists ; NIH OITE Resiliency Series Monday, 11:00-12:00 pm Email gradcollege@ouhsc.edu to sign up.
April 12	Postdoc Association Meeting Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 12:00 pm
April 16	Professional & Career Development Seminar Series Speaker: Dr. Christopher Horton "Transitioning from Research to a Teaching Career: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly" 12:00-1:00 pm via Zoom
April 20	Unit 5 Webinar: Developing Feedback Resilience by Dr. Sharon Milgram, NIH OITE Resiliency Series; Tuesday, 1pm-3pm live or watch recording: HERE
April 22	Please join us in welcoming Mary Woolley, President & CEO of Research America , who will speak about the need to increase public awareness about the importance of graduate education and research in her talk titled: Prioritizing Science to Drive Innovation & Outcomes . Thursday, 12:00-1:00 pm via Zoom: HERE
April 26	Unit 5 Discussion Group, NIH OITE Monday, 11:00-12:00 pm Email gradcollege@ouhsc.edu to sign up.

Student and Postdoc Contributors – *The Graduate College welcomes graduate student and postdoc contributions of ideas and stories for the monthly newsletter. Please contact us at gradcollege@ouhsc.edu to see how you can help out!*

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