

Graduate College

The latest news and updates from OUHSC Graduate College



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

GSA COVID [Information Flyer](#) – OUHSC GSA's quick guide to your COVID-19 resources.

Graduate Student Association (GSA) – The Graduate College GSA will meet again in September. 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 again in September. All Postdocs are encouraged to join the meeting!

Save the Date – 2020 National Postdoc Appreciation Week is September 21-25, 2020.

Welcome GPiBS Class of 2020!

The GPiBS Class of 2020 will arrive on campus August 3rd! We look forward to an interesting year with another great group of eager students!

Announcements *Continued*:

Biomedical & Life Sciences Lectures Collection – New releases and lectures by leading world experts. Click [here](#) to access the collection, which is funded by the Bird Health Sciences Library.

Prism - Working remotely has become our new normal. Here are some helpful Prism features that will make remote work easier for you and your team.

Watch this video, [9 Prism features to help you work remotely](#), by visiting the new online training center, Prism Academy.

You will learn how to:

- Collaborate within Prism
- Share Prism files with others
- View files on computers without a Prism license
- Present results during virtual meetings

If you are looking for more practical tips and Prism tutorials, there are over 8 hours of training videos taught by scientists and Prism experts with Prism Academy. Join [Prism Academy](#) for free to get started!

Prism is managed by the Bird Library and funded by the Provost for graduate student licenses.

Nature Masterclasses – Nature Masterclasses provides training in scientific writing and publishing. The training is delivered by Nature Research journal editors and aims to help institutions support their researchers with writing research papers. Visit the Nature Masterclasses for more info. Nature Masterclasses has a new website and users need to register again on the new site, new users are welcome. Please visit <https://masterclasses.nature.com/register> to register.

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

The Future Institute Research Center – invites applications for \$1000 research scholarships to be awarded to graduate student researchers. Applicants should be doctoral students whose research topic aligns with the Center's focus, which is post-secondary education transition and college/career success. Research projects focused on teaching/learning and education will also be considered.

Applications are now open with deadline September 30, 2020.

Interested students can access additional information via <https://futureresearch.org/scholarships/>

Sign up now for the newest Science Webinar: Vaccine matters: Can we cure coronavirus?

August 12, 2020 from 12:00-1:00PM (Eastern Time).

Sign up [HERE](#).

Speakers include: Kizzmekia Corbett, PhD; Sarah Gilbert, PhD; Kathryn M. Edwards, MD; and John Cohen

Resources

Graduate College forms/policies & more

<http://graduate.ouhsc.edu>

Student Health and Wellness Clinic-
<https://students.ouhsc.edu/SHWC>

Contact Casey Carter, Senior Clinic Manager, with questions: Office 405-271-9675 x30605; Cell: 405-625-9042; Email: Casey-Carter@ouhsc.edu

Student Counseling Services

David L. Boren Student Union, Suite 300
Phone: (405) 271-7336
Toll-Free: (877) 577-5655
Email: Counselors@ouhsc.edu

OUHSC Writing Center

<https://students.ouhsc.edu/Student-Services/WritingCenter>

OUHSC Student Guide

<https://students.ouhsc.edu/StudentGuide>

OUHSC Student Affairs

<https://students.ouhsc.edu/>

Academic Resources

<https://students.ouhsc.edu/Academic-Resources>

OUHSC Student Services

<https://students.ouhsc.edu/Student-Services>

OUHSC Career Development

<https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Career-Development>

OUHSC Forms and Guidelines

<https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Forms-and-Guidelines>

OUHSC Academic Calendars

<https://admissions.ouhsc.edu/Academic-Calendar>

OUHSC Student Handbook

<https://studenthandbook.ouhsc.edu/>

Announcements *Continued*:

The Graduate College announces the following Doctor of Philosophy Defenses:

Jimmy Manyanga

Department of Cell Biology - Electronic Cigarettes: Implications on Cancer Risk and Cisplatin Resistance in Oral Epithelial Cells
Committee in Charge: Lurdes Queimado, MD, PhD, Chair; Priyabrata Mukherjee, PhD; H. Anne Pereira, PhD; Susannah Rankin, PhD; James J. Tomasek, PhD

Leslie D. Carroll

Department of Health Promotion Sciences – Community Health Improvement Plans at National and Local Levels: An Analysis of Plans and an Innovative Approach in an Urban Health Department.

Committee in Charge: Thomas A. Teasdale, DrPH, JGSA, FAGHE, Chair; Marianna S. Wetherill, PhD, MPH, RDN-AP/LD; Kerstin Reinschmidt, PhD, MPH; Chan Hellman, PhD, M.A; Michael Stout, PhD, MA

Sarah J. Bland

Department of Microbiology & Immunology – Characterization of Factors Influencing Cytotoxicity, Structural Stability, and Receptor Binding of Clostridioides Difficile Toxin B

Committee in Charge: Jimmy Ballard, PhD, Chair; Rodney Tweten, PhD; Mark Lang, PhD; Ann West, PhD; David Dyer, PhD

Fauziyya Y. Muhammad

Department of Microbiology & Immunology – Phenotype Characterization of Regulatory T Cells Necessary for Suppression of Uveitis

Committee in Charge: Darren J. Lee, PhD, Chair; Michelle Callegan, PhD; Danie J.J. Carr, PhD; William H. Hildebrand, PhD; Robert C. Axtell, PhD; Scott M. Plafker, PhD

Allshine Chen

Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology – Novel Approaches to Creating Synthetic Data from Multivariate Survey Data for Statistical Disclosure Control

Committee in Charge: Daniel Zhao, Chair, PhD; Sixia Chen, PhD; Nasir Mustaq, PhD; Chao Xu, PhD; Changjie Cai, PhD

Vasileios Gerakopoulos

Department of Cell Biology – Role of the Polycystin Complex in Cell Deciliation

Committee in Charge: Leonidas Tsiokas, PhD, Chair; Myron Hinsdale, PhD; Guangpu Li, PhD; Scott M. Plafker, PhD, RPh; Lawrence I. Rothblum, PhD

Important Links and Information!

Guidance for Graduate Students

- 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 Corona Virus and OUHSC.

Announcements *Continued*:

The Graduate College announces the following Master's Thesis and Defenses:

James Cutler

Biostatistics and Epidemiology | [A Machine Learning Bayesian Method for Detecting Differential Gene Expression in Microarray Experiments](#)

Master's Thesis Committee: Michael Anderson, PhD, Chair

Committee Members: Janis E. Campbell, PhD; Chao Xu, PhD

Sushila Arya

Clinical and Translational Sciences | [Metabolic Syndrome \(MetS\): Treatment Success and Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes with Ovulation Induction in Polycystic Ovary Syndrome \(PCOS\)](#).

Master's Thesis Committee: Robert A. Wild, MD, PhD, Chair

Committee Members: Karl Hansen, MD, PhD; Jennifer D. Peck, PhD;

Jonea Lim, MD

William Brillis

Occupational and Environmental Health | [Application of Deep Learning to Perform Bacterial Colony Countgs of C. Difficile on Chromogenic Agar Plates & Mixed Cellulose Ester Membrane Filters](#).

Master's Thesis Committee: Changjie Cai, PhD, Chair

Members: Evan L. Floyd, PhD; Jooyeon Hwang, PhD

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
September 3	GSA Meeting Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 12:00 pm
September 14	Postdoctoral Association (PDA) Meeting Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 12:00 pm
September 21-25	National Postdoc Appreciation Week (Details to come)

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Postdoc Association:

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