

Graduate College

The latest news and updates from OUHSC Graduate College



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Announcements:

Graduate Student Association (GSA) – The Graduate College GSA will meet February 4th 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 February 8th 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. Fiona McMurray of Novo Nordisk Research Center in Seattle will discuss “Making the switch from Academia to Industry: An Insider’s Perspective”, Friday, February 19th at noon. Zoom link will be emailed.

12 Weeks of Grant Writing - Graduate students and post-docs are invited to register for a 12-week series to build effective grant writing habits. Participants will learn the fundamentals of preparing an NIH-style grant, identify key features and resources for major sections of the grant, and begin writing a grant application. Each 2-hour session will include a brief lesson plus approximately an hour devoted to writing. Sessions will be held by Zoom on Thursdays, February 25 through May 13, from 3 PM to 5 PM. To register, please e-mail Dr. Rebecka Bourn (rebecka-bourn@ouhsc.edu).

GPiBS has moved! - The GPiBS office has moved to the Basic Science Education Building (BSEB), room 123.

Announcements *Continued:*

2021 All Virtual GREAT Symposium – March 22-25th

2021 All Virtual Pre-GREAT Workshops –

- February 2nd “Poster Presentation Skills”
- February 9th “Oral Presentation Skills”

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 956 761 1509

Password: 19225006

Join by Telephone

US: +1 346 248 7799

GREAT 2021 Timeline

Call for Abstracts	Feb 1	
Deadline for Oral and Poster Abstracts	Sunday, Feb 28 11:00 pm	https://apps.ouhsc.edu/Great/
Deadline for Flash Talk title	Sunday, Feb 28 11:00 pm	https://apps.ouhsc.edu/Great/
Media appointments to record Flash Talk video if desired	Mar 1 -2	Catina-jordan@ouhsc.edu
Deadline to upload Flash Talk slide and video	Friday, Mar 5	Carla-shackelford@ouhsc.edu or amy-tucker@ouhsc.edu
*Preliminary Judging for Flash Talks	Mar 10-17	
Deadline to upload Posters to virtualpostersession.org	Friday, Mar 12	
*Posters available for judges previewing	Mar 15-19	
Deadline to send backup PowerPoints for Oral Presentations	Monday, Mar 15	
GREAT Week	Mar 22-25	Zoom links will be emailed

Spring 2021 Graduation Deadlines

Feb 12	Final Date to Apply for Candidacy for MS Degree
Mar 1	Final Date to Apply for Diploma
May 7	Final Date for Oral Defense or Comprehensive Examination
Jun 4	Final Date to Submit Final Thesis/Dissertation

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*:

MSKVIEW - A Diversity recruitment event for the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (MSK) scientific laboratories February 4-5, 2021. This year MSK is accepting applications from:

- PhD and MD/PhD students who are within 2 years from defending their thesis
- PhD, MD, and MD/PhD researchers interested in a second postdoc position

The application deadline is January 20, 2021. More information about MSKVIEW [HERE](#)

2021 Graduate College Awards! Nominations are invited for: Graduate Student Paper of the Year (deadline February 5), Postdoctoral Fellow Paper of the Year (February 5), Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation (February 19), Outstanding Master's Thesis (February 19), Robert M Bird Society Award (February 19), O Ray Kling Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Leadership (February 19).

Instructions and forms are posted

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

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.

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.

Graduate Students you might be interested in these upcoming events hosted by the OU College of International Studies.

Feb. 5, 1-2 p.m. (Zoom)

[Women, Human Rights and Insecurity in Conflict and Post-Conflict Zones](#), with Izabela Steflja of Tulane University, sponsored by the Center for Peace and Development

Feb. 5, 3-4:40 p.m. (Zoom)

[Democracy and Elections in Bolivia](#) with Sarah Hines (OU History), Diego Escobar (University of Texas Rio Grande Valley) and Ainara Moreno Mejía (OU Economics), sponsored by the Center for the Americas

Feb. 11, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)

[Environmental Security in Iran and the Middle East](#) with Kaveh Madani of Yale University, sponsored by the Farzaneh Family Center for Iranian & Persian Gulf Studies

Feb. 24, 2-3 p.m. (Zoom)

[Self-Devouring Growth](#), with Julie Livingston of New York University, sponsored by the Center for Peace and Development

Feb. 26, March 5 & 12, 10 a.m. (Zoom)

[2021 IAS Symposium](#), Burning Issues: The Environment, Human Rights, and Democracy in Bolsonaro's Brazil

March 18, 7-8:30 p.m. (Zoom)

[Newman Prize Symposium: Yan Lianke and Contemporary Chinese Literature](#), with Jianmei Liu (Hong Kong University of Science & Technology), Eric Abrahamsen (Founder of Paper Republic) and Carlos Rojas (Duke University), sponsored by the Institute for US-China Issues

March 19, 7-9 p.m. (Zoom)

[Newman Prize for Chinese Literature Award Ceremony](#), prize awarded to Yan Lianke

Announcements *Continued*:

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
February 1	NIH Resiliency Training Program, Unit 1 Group Session 11am-12pm; Zoom link for those who registered
February 2	Pre-GREAT Workshop 3: Poster Presentation Skills Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 1:00 pm
February 4	GSA Meeting Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 12:00 pm
February 8	Postdoc Association Meeting Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 12:00 pm
February 9	Pre-GREAT Workshop 4 Oral Presentation Skills Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 1:00 pm
February 15	NIH Resiliency Training Program, Unit II Webinar: 1-3pm "live", or recording available
February 19	Professional & Career Development Seminar Series Speaker: Fiona McMurray 12:00-1:00 pm via Zoom
February 22	NIH Resiliency Training Program, Unit II Group Session 11am-12pm; Zoom link for those who Register, sign-up forthcoming
*GREAT Debate	New team event to be featured at this year's GREAT Symposium; moderated by Dr. Steve Ellis. Dr. Ellis will provide coaching sessions for student Participants prior to GREAT, times/Zoom links will be forthcoming. We are seeking participants from all 7 colleges to take part, debating important topics in biomedical research/healthcare.

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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