

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 March 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!

GSA - Would you like to serve on GSA for 2021-2022? GSA provides students an excellent opportunity to get involved with leadership & other groups across campus. As an officer, you have a direct voice in focus areas, initiatives, and activities. Elections for next year’s officers will be held May 6, via Zoom. Meanwhile, please contact Nicole Giordano, Nicole-Giordano@ouhsc.edu, with any questions or to learn more.

Postdoc Association (PDA) – The OUHSC PDA officers will meet by Zoom March 8th from 12:00 – 1:00PM. Be on the look-out for the next meeting open to all postdocs in April!

Professional & Career Development Seminar – Dr. Chien Li of Novo Nordisk Research Center in Seattle will discuss “Anti-Obesity Drug Development: The Potential and the Challenge”, Friday, March 19th at noon. Zoom link will be emailed.

Spring 2021 Graduation Deadlines

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

Announcements *Continued:*

2021 All Virtual GREAT Symposium – March 22-25th

GREAT 2021 Timeline

GREAT Webpage [HERE](#)

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

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.

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.

I-CCEW will be hosting three virtual events for interested students on March 8th at 10AM, March 12th at 3PM, and March 16th at 5:30PM. Students can find applications at ou.edu/iccew and can RSVP for the virtual events on [Facebook](#).

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

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine - administers postdoctoral and senior research awards at the U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), the U.S. Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT), and the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA) under the [Air Force Science & Technology Fellowship Program \(AF STFP\)](#).

We are seeking highly qualified candidates who are U.S. citizens and hold, or anticipate earning, a doctorate in a variety of fields of science or engineering.

*Application deadline dates (four annual review cycles): February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1.

Applicants should contact prospective AFRL, AFIT and USAFA Research Adviser(s) at the lab(s) prior to the application deadline to discuss their research interests and funding opportunities.

For detailed program information, to search for AFRL, AFIT, and USAFA Research Opportunities, and to contact prospective Research Adviser(s), visit www.nas.edu/afstfp.

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.

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/>

Announcements *Continued*:

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
*GREAT Debate	New team event to be featured at this year's GREAT Symposium, moderated by Dr. Stephen Ellis. Teams will meet with Dr. Ellis 3/5 @ 5pm & 3/12 @ 5pm , via Zoom, to prepare. Zoom links forthcoming for participants.
March 4	GSA Meeting Via Zoom (link to be emailed) 12:00 pm
March 8	Postdoc Association Officer Meeting Via Zoom 12:00 pm
March 8	Unit 3 Webinar, Emotions & Emotional Intelligence in the Workplace: NIH Resiliency Training Program: Link for live session @ 1-3 pm, or for recording HERE
March 15	Unit 3 Group Session, NIH Resiliency Training Program: Monday, March 15th @ 11am-12pm; Doodle signup & Zoom link to follow.
March 19	Professional & Career Development Seminar Series Speaker: Dr. Chien Li Title: "Anti-Obesity Drug Development: The Potential and the Challenge" 12:00-1:00 pm via Zoom
March 22-25	GREAT Symposium – This year's all virtual Symposium will focus on the importance of effective communication. GREAT will include Oral & Poster Presentations, Flash Talks, & the all-new GREAT Debate – an interdisciplinary team event in which students will stake and defend a position pertaining to the recent COVID vaccine challenge trial. Additionally, GREAT will include a Career Panel Discussion as well as a Keynote Address by John T. Burklow, NIH Associate Director for Communications & Public Liaison. Please refer to our website for full details. * Zoom links for all GREAT events will be forthcoming.
March 30	Unit 4 Webinar, Self-Advocacy & Assertiveness for Scientists: NIH Resiliency Training Program: Tuesday, March 30th; link for live session @ 1-3pm or for recording HERE

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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