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 6th at 12-noon in BMSB 324. Students from all MS- and PhD-seeking programs are welcome and encouraged to attend! Lunch will be served. Visit our website https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Graduate-Student-Association for more information!

Professional & Career Development Seminar – Molly Hill, PhD will discuss, Individual Development Plans – Making a game plan for your future, Friday, February 21, 2020 from 12-1:00PM in the Bird Library Faculty Atrium. Lunch will be served.

The 2020 Graduate Research Education And Technology (GREAT) Symposium will be held March 23-26 and will feature oral presentations, poster presentations, and Flash Talk competitions (essentially a 3 minute scientific “elevator pitch” for your research) – as well as a vendor show and awards ceremony for winners of the oral, poster and Flash Talk competitions. The symposium also hosts a career development workshop, cultural awareness workshop, and an exciting keynote address. To help participants prepare, four Pre-GREAT Workshops will be held throughout February to teach key points about preparing and giving oral, poster, and Flash Talk presentations and participating in interdisciplinary research. Abstract submissions are now open and must be submitted by Friday, February 14, 2020 to be considered. If you missed the January Pre-GREAT workshop “How to Write an Abstract” you can watch the recording online.
Announcements Continued:

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) Art of Science Communication Course – The American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology has created a six- to eight-week online course called "The Art of Science Communication" to fill this need. This course provides participants with fundamental training in science communication, focusing in particular on how to present science to a nonexpert audience in a formal setting, such as a public lecture, and how to replace complicated scientific jargon with clear terms. You can learn more about the course and apply here. The deadline to apply is Feb. 9th.

Call for Nominations for the 2020 Graduate College Awards - The Graduate College is pleased to call for nominations for following awards:

Deadline February 3, 2020
- Graduate Student Paper of the Year
- Postdoctoral Fellow Paper of the Year

Deadline February 10, 2020
- Outstanding Dissertation
- Outstanding Thesis
- Robert M. Bird Society Award
- Ray Kling Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Leadership

The individual forms can be downloaded from the Graduate College website. Scroll down to “Award Nomination Packets”. In addition: The following campus-wide awards are administered by the Student Affairs office with a deadline of January 31, 2020. See the Student Affairs website for details.

- Outstanding Senior Student Leadership Award
- Multicultural Achievement Award
- Outstanding First Year Student Leadership Award

Postdoctoral Research Scientist in Glycoengineering and Baculovirus-Insect Cell Technology – GlycoBac, LLC, Laramie, WY position open – Dr. Donald Jarvis is seeking a motivated individual to serve as a Postdoctoral Research Scientist at GlycoBac, LLC (http://www.glycobac.com/).

Preferred qualifications: Include strong experimental design and data interpretation skills, hands-on lab experience in methods of molecular biology, virology, and/or glycobiology, recombinant DNA technology, the baculovirus-insect cell system, protein expression and purification, carbohydrate analysis, vaccine development, and/or therapeutic antibody development.

To apply, please send a cover letter that describes your scientific background, interests, and qualifications AND your curriculum vitae to dljarvis@uwyo.edu. This position will remain open until a suitable candidate is identified.

Graduate College Spotlight:

Bethany Williams
Hometown: Jacksonville, Florida
Undergraduate Degree/Institution: University of North Florida
Favorite Food: Pho
Favorite Book: Little Women
Favorite Quote: "It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory or defeat" – Theodore Roosevelt

What motivated you to apply to grad school, and why OUHSC? I was motivated to apply to graduate school to pursue a profession in research that inspired, challenged, and motivated me. I especially chose OUHSC so I could learn from those excelling in my field of interest, who are ethical, hard-working, and mentor-focused.

What are your career goals after Graduate School? I am hoping to secure a Post-doctoral Fellowship position in behavioral sciences, to continue to refine my skills as a scientist and as a leader. After that, I would pursue a faculty position to conduct my research and serve as an instructor and mentor for graduate students.

What would you tell someone who is interested in pursuing graduate education? I would tell them to talk to the program faculty and students before you make a decision; there are many opportunities to find or create a program of study that will fit your lifestyle and career interests.

What have you enjoyed most about your time as a Graduate College student at OUHSC? I have enjoyed the personal growth that comes with achieving professional goals, and the feeling of accomplishing more than you thought you were capable of.

How will you use your experience in Leadership at HSC to promote graduate education? In my hopeful future role as a University faculty, I would encourage my students to say “yes” to opportunities to better themselves, and to do so confidently. Graduate education is much more than earning another degree.
Announcements Continued:

**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](https://masterclasses.nature.com/register) to register.

**Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning at OUHSC** – Mini Symposium, February 14, 2020, 9:00-1:30pm, Nicholson Conference Center, 5th Floor, Nicholson Tower. The goal of this mini-symposium is to bring together health science clinicians and researchers, AI/ML scientists and practitioners, and high-performance computing experts to discuss what AI/ML tools can bring to the health sciences, current efforts on the OU campuses that employ AI/ML tools, new problems that we would like to solve, and the computing and people resources that we have and that we need to support these efforts. Details and registration: [http://www.ou.edu/coe/ai-ml/ouhsc_symposium_2020](http://www.ou.edu/coe/ai-ml/ouhsc_symposium_2020)

**Butler-Williams Scholars Program** - The Butler-Williams (B-W) Scholars program gives early career investigators a unique opportunity to engage with other researchers interested in the field of aging, learn about NIA science, discuss funding opportunities with NIA staff, and sharpen grant writing skills. Researchers who are planning a career development award or their first R01 will find it well-tuned to their needs. Anyone interested in aging research is encouraged to apply. If you are an early career investigator interested in aging research apply by the Feb. 14, 2020 deadline. If interested in the program and have questions: [https://www.nia.nih.gov/form/bw-scholars-20](https://www.nia.nih.gov/form/bw-scholars-20)

The Graduate College congratulates the following Doctor of Philosophy, Master’s Thesis and Non-Thesis Students:

**Micah Denay McCumber**
Department of Graduate Biostatistics and Epidemiology | Venous thromboembolism surveillance in Oklahoma County: Using multiple surveillance methods and data sources to improve case identification and description of VTE disease among patients with cancer history.
Committee in Charge: Aaron M. Wendelboe, PhD, Chair; Dale Bratzler, DO, MPH; Janis E. Campbell, PhD; Kai Ding, PhD; Gary E. Raskob, PhD

Resources

**Graduate College forms/policies & more**
[http://graduate.ouhsc.edu](http://graduate.ouhsc.edu)

**Student Health and Wellness Clinic**
[https://students.ouhsc.edu/SHWC](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](https://students.ouhsc.edu/Student-Services/WritingCenter)

**OUHSC Student Guide**
[https://students.ouhsc.edu/StudentGuide](https://students.ouhsc.edu/StudentGuide)

**OUHSC Student Affairs**
[https://students.ouhsc.edu/](https://students.ouhsc.edu/)

**Academic Resources**
[https://students.ouhsc.edu/Academic-Resources](https://students.ouhsc.edu/Academic-Resources)

**OUHSC Student Services**
[https://students.ouhsc.edu/Student-Services](https://students.ouhsc.edu/Student-Services)

**OUHSC Career Development**
[https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Career-Development](https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Career-Development)

**OUHSC Forms and Guidelines**
[https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Forms-and-Guidelines](https://graduate.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Forms-and-Guidelines)

**OUHSC Academic Calendars**
[https://admissions.ouhsc.edu/Academic-Calendar](https://admissions.ouhsc.edu/Academic-Calendar)

**OUHSC Student Handbook**
[https://studenthandbook.ouhsc.edu/](https://studenthandbook.ouhsc.edu/)
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| February 4 | **Pre-GREAT Workshop 2**  
Topic: "3-Minute Thesis/Flash Talk Skills"  
Speaker: Dr. Brenda Smith  
Bird Library Auditorium (LIB 299)  
1:00PM, Lunch provided                      |
| February 6 | Graduate Student Association (GSA) Meeting  
BMSB 324  
12:00 pm, Lunch provided                        |
| February 10 | Postdoctoral Association (PDA) Closed Meeting  
Bird Library Faculty Atrium  
12:00 pm, Lunch provided                        |
| February 11 | **Pre-GREAT Workshop 3**  
Topic: "Poster Presentation Skills"  
Speaker: Dr. Courtney Griffin  
Bird Library Auditorium (LIB 299)  
1:00PM, Lunch provided                      |
| February 14 |  
**GREAT Abstract Submission Deadline**                                                 |
| February 14 | **GREAT Submit your Flash Talk Competition entry form**                                      |
| February 18 | **Pre-GREAT Workshop 4**  
Topic: "Oral Presentation Skills"  
Speaker: Dr. Katie Eliot  
Bird Library Auditorium (LIB 299)  
1:00PM, Lunch provided                      |
| February 21 | Professional & Career Development Seminar  
Speaker: Molly R. Hill, PhD  
Topic: Individual Development Plans – Making a game plan for your future  
Bird Library Faculty Atrium  
12:00-1:00 pm  
Lunch will be provided                   |
| February 25 | **Pre-GREAT Workshop 5**  
Topic: "Interdisciplinary Research"  
Speaker: Dr. Susan Sisson  
Bird Library Auditorium (LIB 299)  
1:00PM, Lunch provided                      |
| March 13 | **GREAT – Submit your static PowerPoint file and Oral Presentation PPT’s to Carla-Shackelford@ouhsc.edu by 4:00PM, on Friday 3/13/2020** |
| March 23-26 | **2020 GREAT Symposium**  
Graduate Research Education and Technology (GREAT) Symposium                                |
| April 17 | Professional & Career Development Seminar  
Speaker: Angela Copeland, Copeland Coaching  
Topic: Interview Techniques  
Bird Library Faculty Atrium  
12:00-1:00 pm  
Lunch will be provided                      |

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