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 September 5th at 12-noon in BMSB 324. Students from all MS- and PhD-seeking programs are welcome and encouraged to attend! Lunch will be served.

Postdoc Association (PDA) – The OUHSC PDA National Postdoc Appreciation Week (NPAW) will be September 16-20th. All Postdocs are encouraged to come, network with peers and support your postdoc community. Postdocs enjoy a week of fun events in appreciation of their service! More info to come via email and flyers. Sponsored by the Graduate College/Office of Postdoctoral Affairs and the OUHSC Postdoc Association.

NPAW September 16-20, 2019

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<td>Tue, 9/17</td>
<td>Trivia Night</td>
<td>7:00-10:00PM, Fassler Hall</td>
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<td>Wed, 9/18</td>
<td>De-Stress Day, Therapy dogs, massage chairs</td>
<td>11:00-2:00PM, LIB Atrium</td>
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<td>Thu, 9/19</td>
<td>Ice Cream Social and Coffee Break</td>
<td>3:00-4:30PM, LIB 258</td>
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<td>Fri, 9/20</td>
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<td>12:00-2:30PM, Student Union, Rm. 262</td>
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Announcements Continued:

Professional & Career Development Seminar – Kevin C. Wooten, PhD, Chair and Professor of Management and Human Resource Management, University of Houston, Clear Lake – will discuss – Team Science Skills and Strategies: The Future of Scientific Innovation, Friday, September 20th from 12-2:30pm in the Student Union, Rm. 262. Lunch will be served.

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.

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) Today: The Careers Issue, Academic startup, Mike Shipston, A promiscuous inhibitor, Photosynthesis, from the journals, Scouting for science, and more. Check the issue out here.

NSF Solicits Graduate Research Fellowship Program Applications
The National Science Foundation (NSF) is soliciting applications for its Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP), which recognizes and provides three years of support to outstanding graduate students who are pursuing full-time research-based master's and doctoral degrees in…STEM or in STEM education. The NSF has provided an FAQ for applicants to the program. Applications are due in October (exact dates vary by discipline).

Service Opportunity – Applications are open for the SCS Student Advisory Board (SAB) for the 2019-2020 academic year. Meetings are held one per month at noon (lunch included) to discuss mental health needs for the OUHSC campus and play a role in helping to develop wellness programming and outreach events organized by Student Counseling Services and the HSC Student Affairs.

More information can be found on our application page: https://students.ouhsc.edu/Current-Students/Campus-Life/Student-Calendar/Event-Details/join-a-student-advisory-board or contact the Director, Dr. Craig Cruzan at ccruzan@ouhsc.edu or 405-271-2416.

OU Giving Day - On September 10th, the University of Oklahoma will kick off the third annual #OUGivingDay! Giving Day is a 24-hour online fundraising campaign to raise support for OUHSC Graduate College student programs and other areas that mean the most to you. Stay tuned for how you can help make a positive impact!

Graduate College Spotlight:

Bing-Hao Chiang

Hometown: Taiwan

Undergraduate Degree/Institution: Medical Imaging and Radiological Sciences, Chang Gung University, Taiwan

Favorite Quote: “Everything happens for the best”

Favorite Food: Sushi

What motivated you to apply to grad school, and why OUHSC?
With the advance in the detection and treatment of cancer, patients are getting better prognoses. As a researcher, I aspire to improve the quality of radiotherapy through research in therapeutic medical physics and become a medical physicist who can apply physics concepts and theories of radiotherapy to improve patients' treatment quality. The CAMPEP accredited medical physics program in OUHSC provides clinical based training in both education and research. Also, the newly installed proton treatment machine also provides me a lot of opportunity for research.

What are your career goals after Graduate School?
My career goal is to become a clinical medical physicist in the university facilitated hospital so I will apply for the residency after I finished my PhD.

What would you tell someone who is interested in pursuing graduate education?
Go for it. Choose your love, love your choice.

What have you enjoyed most about your time as a Graduate College student at OUHSC?
I got a lot of hand-on clinical experience while doing my graduate assistantship. Also, I really enjoy attending professional & career development seminars from different helpful speakers.

What do you like most about Oklahoma?
I really like the friendly people here and I also appreciate the reasonable living expense.
Announcements Continued:

NIGMS has announced new programs to promote diversity:

Seminar Opportunity - “Success is What You Leave Behind” seminar with Dr. Cato T. Laurencin jointly hosted by the Clara Luper Department of African-American Studies and the Stephenson School of Biomedical Engineering to be held on Thursday, September 12th, at 6:30PM.

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/

OUHSC Graduate College Brochure

AAAS is again offering a 1-year free membership - to students and postdocs who are not current or former members of AAAS. This program is open to undergraduate and 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 – that’s 50 issues – and access to its archive dating back to 1880.

• Join AAAS sections – Network with members, gain knowledge from industry leaders, and provide AAAS leadership with your input on important issues.
Announcements Continued:

AAAS Cont.
Free Member Resources and Event Discounts – Take advantage of exclusive lectures, webinars, and podcasts. Plus, get discounted or free entry to AAAS events, such as the AAAS Annual Meeting and other national and regional events.

• AAAS Member Community – Connect with other members through our new and improved platform, featuring upgraded member-to-member messaging and enhanced interactivity.

• Stay updated on science policy – Stay in the know with AAAS newsletters. Follow AAAS highlights and events in our monthly Member Update, track policy developments weekly with Policy Alert, and choose from many other publications covering the science subjects you care about.

• Access to information about internship and job opportunities.
You can sign up at:  aaas.org/sponsoredstudent.

Once a student or postdoc has registered and their membership has been accepted, they will receive an email confirmation from AAAS to activate their complimentary membership.


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

Benjamin Joseph Schneider
Graduate Orthodontics Program  |  Assessment of Streptococcus Mutans Biofilms on Orthodontic Adhesives over a 7-Day Period
Thesis Committee Chair: Sharukh S. Khajotia, PhD
Committee Members: Fernando Luis Esteban Flores, PhD; G. Franz Currier, DDS; Onur Kadioglu, DDS

Kramer Graves Sherman
Graduate Orthodontics Program  |  Clinical Utilization of Orthodontic Assistants in the United States and Corresponding Regional Review
Thesis Chair: G. Grans Currier, DDS
Committee Members: Onur Kadioglu, DDS; Kyle Shannon, DDS

Graduate College Spotlight:
A “Welcome to the Graduate College Reception” was held on 8/29 for all new incoming Graduate College students. Thanks to everyone who attended and helped us welcome our new students and support the Graduate College community!
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Rachel Soyland
Graduate Orthodontics Program | Pairing of Orthodontic Adhesive Resins and Light Curing Units for Optimal Degree of Conversion
Thesis Chair: Sharukh S. Khajotia, PhD
Committee Members: Fernando Luis Esteban Florez, PhD; G. Frans Currier, DDS; Onur Kadioglu, DDS

John W. Wood
Department of Physiology
Master Committee Chair: Jian-Xing Ma, MD, PhD
Committee Members: Siribhinya Benyajati, PhD; Robert D. Foreman, PhD; Kennon M. Garrett, PhD

Ngoc Quyen Thi Duong
Biostatistics and Epidemiology | Bayesian Posterior Kernel Density Estimation Using a Conjugate Gamma Prior
Committee in Charge: Michael P. Anderson, PhD; Sara K. Vesely, PhD; Ying Zhang, MD, PhD; Janis E. Campbell, PhD; Clara H. Song, MD

Sarah Ann Colijn
Department of Cell Biology | Cell-Specific Regulation and Function of RIPK3 in the Embryonic and Postnatal Vasculature
Committee in Charge: Courtney T. Griffin, PhD; Lawrence I. Rothblum, PhD; Lorin E. Olson, PhD; Florea Lupu, PhD; Rodger P. McEver, MD

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