MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

FIU Leads Creation of Doctoral Advisor Program

FIU is one of six universities in the U.S. that is developing a new program to support doctoral advisors. Created by Epigeum, this transformational online training program will meet the growing need to support Ph.D. supervisors. Known as “Advising Doctoral Students,” the program will contain eight, 30-minute interactive online courses, with an additional 20 hours of optional personalized portfolio learning. FIU will collaborate with the University of Michigan, Kansas State University, University of California (San Diego), and other partners in developing a U.S. edition of the international program. The final version of the online training is expected to be released in 2015. Modules will include:

The Doctoral Context and the Contemporary PhD;
Attracting the Best PhD Candidates;
Setting your Candidate on the Right Course;
Managing Progress; and
Expectations and Examinations.

These modules will empower FIU to deliver a world-class online training program in the supervision of doctoral students. I will be back with more information toward the end of Spring 2015.

Thank you.

Last Day to Issue I-20’s for the Spring 2015 Semester for International Students Living Abroad

Monday, November 3rd

Deadline to Defend Thesis or Dissertations for Fall Graduation

Friday, November 14, 2014

Final ETD Approval Form Deadline

Friday, December 5, 2014

For a complete list of upcoming Graduate Admissions deadlines, go to http://gradschool.fiu.edu/documents/Grad_Admissions_Deadlines.pdf
Time to Degree Policy and Procedure

As stated in previous communications to the major advisors of students who are or will be in violation of the Time Limits for Graduate Degree Completion policy, a registration hold will be placed on the accounts of those students who are approaching the time limit to degree completion or who are already in violation of the policy. The registration hold is coded as TTD (Time-to-Degree). This hold will not be removed until the student’s Time-to-Degree documents (as specified in the email) are received by UGS in PC230. For questions regarding Time-to-Degree audits, please contact Ashley Mendez, UGS Coordinator, at amendez@fiu.edu.

AGILE Fall 2014 Lecture Cancelled

Please note that the Fall 2014 AGILE lecture with Dr. Genevieve Bell has been cancelled. The next AGILE Lecture will take place in Spring 2015. For more information about AGILE, please go to: http://gradschool.fiu.edu/agile or contact Magnolia Hernández at mehernan@fiu.edu

Student-Centered Mentoring and Support

All graduate major advisors are invited to attend an upcoming webinar on Graduate Student-Centered Mentoring and Support on Wednesday, November 19th, from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. The UGS has registered for the webinar, and it will be available for viewing at the MMC campus in the Graham Center, GC 150. The webinar will focus on different approaches to graduate student advising; provide examples of interpersonal relationships between research students and graduate supervisors; explore examples of the advantages of student-centered advising and how this approach differs from traditional advising or supervising models; and will cover specific strategies to maintain or rebuild student-centered advising in a range of challenging situations. All interested graduate program directors and faculty are welcome to attend.

To confirm your attendance for this event, please click on the following: https://fiugrad.hobsonsradius.com/crm/forms/C6700kB0708Ex6700kzCJ

For more information about the webinar, please contact Magnolia Hernandez at mehernan@fiu.edu.

Citation and Bibliography Management with RefWorks
-Oct 28, 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
-MMC - GL 280

Interview Skills
-Oct 29, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
-BBC - WUC 255

Interviewing Skills
-Nov 3
-3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
-MMC - GC 241

Avoiding Plagiarism
-Nov 5, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
-MMC - GL 125

Professional Dining Etiquette Lunch
-Nov 6, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
-MMC - GC 243

Job Skill Workshop: Resume Writing, Salary Negotiation, and Networking Skills
-Nov 7, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
-MMC - GC 241

Interviewing Skills / Salary Negotiation
-Nov 12, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
-MMC - GC 241

Where the Jobs Are: The Keys to Federal Employment
-Nov 12, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
-BBC - WUC 255

Avoiding Plagiarism
-Nov 13, 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
-BBC - HL 250

IRB Workshop
-Division of Research
**Fulbright-Hays Grant Awarded to FIU Presidential Fellow**
Micah Oelze, Doctoral Student, History
Major Advisor: Dr. Victor Uribe

Please join the UGS in congratulating Presidential Fellow and History doctoral student Micah Oelze, who has been awarded a Fulbright Hays grant to conduct dissertation research in Brazil, one of only 83 grants awarded nationwide, and the only one to be awarded in the state of Florida this year. Administered by the U.S. Department of Education, the Fulbright Hays grant program seeks to deepen knowledge of areas in the world not generally included in U.S. curricula. These programs are part of the larger Fulbright-Hays Program, which dates to 1961 when the late U.S. Sen. J. William Fulbright sponsored legislation for several programs that would aim to increase mutual understanding between the United States and the rest of the world. For more information about the Fulbright Hays program, please visit their page at [http://www2.ed.gov/programs/iegpsddrap/index.html](http://www2.ed.gov/programs/iegpsddrap/index.html).

**Fellowship Application Announcements**

**VEF Fellowship/Grant Programs**
Applications are now available for the following Vietnam Education Fund (VEF) programs for 2015 and 2016: VEF Fellowship Program (deadline April 10, 2015), Visiting Scholar Program (deadline April 10, 2015), and U.S. Faculty Scholar Program (deadline February 26, 2015). The VEF is an independent federal agency of the U.S. Government whose primary purpose is to promote the bilateral relationship between the United States and Vietnam through educational exchanges. The VEF supports the following fields sciences (natural, physical, and environmental), and technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine (including biomedical sciences as well as epidemiology, nutrition, and biostatistics within public health). For more information about the program, please go to: [http://home.vef.gov/](http://home.vef.gov/)

**Global Health Equity Scholars Fellowship**
The GHES fellowship program is accepting applications for 2014-2015. The Global Health Equity Scholars (GHES) fellowship is a one-year mentored research fellowship sponsored by the [Fogarty International Center (FIC)](http://www.training.nih.gov/FogartyInternationalCenter) and [NIH](http://www.nih.gov), and funded through an NIH grant. The fellowship aims to support early career scientists from low- and middle-income countries to develop research skills and enhance their ability to lead and conduct high-quality research in the area of global health. 

**Networking and Interview Skills**
Nov 19, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
BBC - WUC 255

**Grant Writing**
Division of Research
Nov 20, 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm
MMC - CBC 155

For more information about Professional Development, go to: [http://gradschool.fiu.edu/cs-professional-development-2014-fall.shtml](http://gradschool.fiu.edu/cs-professional-development-2014-fall.shtml)
several collaborating institutes and centers at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The Ghes program brings together a consortium that includes the University of California, Berkeley, Florida International University, Stanford University, and Yale University; and 20 affiliated international sites across 16 countries. The main objective of the program is to generate a new and young cadre of global health researchers, educators, and professionals who will be prepared to address the new challenges in global health. The application deadline is December 1, 2014. For more information, please go to http://ghes.berkeley.edu/

Ford Foundation Fellowship Program
The National Academies is accepting applications for the 2015 Ford Foundation Fellowships Programs for Achieving Excellence in College and University Teaching. Through its Fellowship Programs, the Ford Foundation seeks to increase the diversity of the nation’s college and university faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, to maximize the educational benefits of diversity, and to increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students. Full eligibility information and online applications are at: http://nationalacademies.org/ford

The current and previous issues of the UGS Faculty e-Newsletter are available at http://gradschool.fiu.edu/faculty-staff-newsletter.shtml. If you have any questions or comments, please email Magnolia Hernández at mehernan@fiu.edu.