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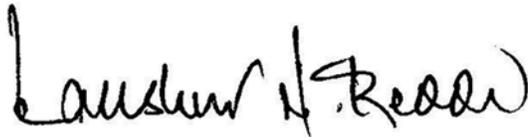
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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

In an effort to improve enrollment numbers, UGS has been conducting online outreach efforts through Adobe Connect sessions with students from India, China, Vietnam, Iran, and Brazil. All sessions focus on students who have been admitted to FIU for graduate studies. The sessions are designed to provide the students with an opportunity to engage with UGS staff, ask questions about their respective programs and about FIU, and to better prepare for their arrival at FIU. Participant questions tend to be centered on research and graduate student life at FIU as well as information about the city and living in Miami. Sessions are conducted monthly throughout the academic year. Using Adobe Connect has proven to be an effective and cost efficient strategy for recruitment. Students who attended the sessions and then followed up with UGS during orientation indicated that attending the Adobe Connect sessions made them feel more comfortable about their decision to come to FIU. I invite program coordinators/faculty who have specific interests in improving recruitment from these countries to participate in the Adobe Connect sessions. Please contact our Director of Admissions, Mr. Louis Farnsworth, for more details.

Thank you,



IMPORTANT DEADLINES

McKnight Doctoral Fellowship
January 15, 2015

Summer 2015 DEA
February 6, 2015

Summer 2015 DYF
February 6, 2015

Fall 2015 Presidential
February 6, 2015

D-5/M-3 Deadline for Spring 15 Graduation
(due three weeks before defense)
March 6, 2015

McNair Fellowship
March 20, 2015

Deadline to Defend Thesis or Dissertations for Spring 15 Graduation
March 27, 2015

LAC Fellowship
April 1, 2015

Final ETD Approval Form Deadline
Friday, April 17, 2015

For a complete list of upcoming Graduate Admissions deadlines, please go to http://gradschool.fiu.edu/documents/GradAdmissions_Deadlines.pdf

NEWS

Second Cohort of AGILE Scholars Selected

Congratulations to our second cohort of AGILE scholars. The cohort is comprised of 14 scholars from a variety of academic fields and backgrounds. For additional information about the students and their programs of study can be found on our AGILE webpage at <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/agile>. The cohort met for the first time on Tuesday, November 18.

AGILE Spring 2015 Lecture: February 11, 2015 at 4:00 pm in GC 243.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Grad Skellar Grad Student Social
01/15 3:00pm – 5:00pm Panther Pit- EC

Job Search Strategies & CPT for International Students (with ISSS)
01/15 1:00pm - 2:30pm WUC 363-BBC

Resume/Cover Letter Writing
01/21 6:00pm - 7:00pm WUC 255-BBC

Job Search Strategies
01/21 1:00pm - 2:00pm WUC 255-BBC

Please join us in welcoming Peter Rogen, cross-cultural communications professional and Shakespearean actor, who will be discussing integrative learning through the lens of the arts. The event is free and open to the public. To RSVP, please go to <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/agile>.

FEF McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Application Deadline January 15, 2015

Please encourage eligible prospective fall 2015 doctoral students to apply. The McKnight Doctoral Fellowship program is designed to address the under-representation of African American and Hispanic faculty at colleges and universities in the state of Florida by increasing the pool of citizens qualified with Ph.D. degrees to teach at the college and university levels. Newly admitted doctoral students who have been awarded a McKnight Fellowship from the Florida Education Fund are eligible to receive UGS Enhancement Funding. For more information, please go to: <http://fefonline.org/mdf.html>.

DEA, DYF, and Presidential Fellowship Application Deadline February 6, 2015

Summer 2015 Doctoral Evidence Acquisition Fellowships (Total of 2 nominations allowed by each doctoral degree-granting program). The Doctoral Evidence Acquisition (DEA) Fellowship is specifically intended to support doctoral students for whom their current means of financial support would significantly interfere with or preclude their ability to collect the evidence needed for their doctoral research. A DEA Fellow is awarded a stipend to enable evidence acquisition that otherwise would not be possible. Evidence acquisition activities that might be supported by the DEA Fellowship include, but are not limited to, off-campus library/archive research, field work, experiments, interviews, collection of specimens, etc.

Summer 2015 Dissertation Year Fellowships (Total of 2 nominations allowed by each doctoral degree-granting program). The Dissertation Year Fellowship (DYF) provides support to highly-qualified FIU doctoral students during the writing phase of their dissertation. It is intended to facilitate the timely completion of high-quality manuscripts and dissertations. Dissertation Fellows are expected to graduate within one year after receiving the award.

Fall 2015 Presidential Fellowships (Total of 4 nominations allowed by each department.)

The purpose of the Presidential Fellowships is to attract top-quality graduate students into doctoral degree programs at Florida International University. Students are awarded these Fellowships based on their potential to become outstanding scholars and future leaders in their disciplines. To access fellowship application forms, please go to: <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/fellowships.shtml>. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Dudley at 305-348-4711 or dudleym@fiu.edu.

Graduate Student Appreciation Week: Call for Presentation Proposals

The Graduate and Professional Student Committee is now accepting graduate student proposals for the 2015 GSAW Scholarly Forum. The Scholarly Forum, which includes poster sessions and oral presentations, provides a platform for graduate students to showcase their research, compete for cash prizes, gain professional experience, and compete for a place at the state's Graduate Symposium. This year's Scholarly Forum will take place on Monday, April 6, and Tuesday, April 7, 2015. The deadline to submit proposals is **February 9, 2015**. For additional information, students may contact the GPSC at gpsc@fiu.edu.

Students may submit their proposals through February by going to the link below: https://fiu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_dcl8B9PdctvEbY1. Please share this information with your students.

Franklin Fellows Program

Navigating Federal Employment
01/22 1:00pm - 2:00pm WUC 255-BBC

Interviewing/Salary Negotiation
01/26 11:00am-2:00pm GC 230-MMC

Library Refresher
01/26 2:00pm-3:15pm HL 150-BBC

Library Refresher
01/27 2:00pm-3:15pm GL 280-MMC

Networking Skills
01/29 11:00am-2:00pm GC 230-MMC

Get Your Career in Gear (with the BBC Vice Provost Council)
01/29 10:00am , WUC-BBC

The Ins and Outs of Weight Loss and Maintenance
01/29 12:00 PM TBA-MMC

For more information, go to <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/professionaldevelopment>



The US Department of State is currently accepting applications for the Franklin Fellows Program, a fellowship program that provides those in academia with an opportunity to serve as field experts for one year with the State Department or USAID. Program details can be found at www.careers.state.gov/ff .

National Research Council Research Associateship Program

The National Research Council of the National Academies announces the 2015 Graduate, Postdoctoral, and Senior Research Associateship Programs to be conducted on behalf of federal research laboratories and affiliated institutions in over 100 locations throughout the United States. These programs provide opportunities for Ph.D., Sc.D., or M.D. scientists and engineers of unusual promise and ability to perform research on problems largely of their own choosing, yet compatible with the research interests of the sponsoring laboratory. Annual application deadlines are February 1st, May 1st, August 1st, and November 1st. For additional information, please visit the NRC website at www.nationalacademies.org/rap

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