



Faculty e-Newsletter

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Message from the Associate Dean

We are happy to inform you that the initiatives to help research faculty support more doctoral students that we implemented last year will continue to be in effect for the 2013-2014 academic year. The initiatives include:

Research Fellowships: These fellowships are intended as recruitment incentives for the purpose of attracting top-quality doctoral students to research projects. Each fellowship carries \$5,000 to be used to supplement the stipend of a new doctoral research assistant. These are one-time, non-renewable fellowships.

Tuition Waiver Awards: For every doctoral student whose tuition is paid from an external grant, UGS will award a tuition waiver to the Primary Investigator to be used for another doctoral student in the same or different grant proposal. These awards are in addition to other incentives that the units and colleges might be providing.

Interested faculty PIs should send their written requests directly to me and provide the necessary information, which for the Tuition Waiver Awards should include grant information and the names of students supported by the grant. For the Research Fellowships the request should include information about the doctoral applicant's credentials and demonstration of need for the recruitment incentive.

We also welcome any suggestions on how these initiatives can be improved or modified to benefit faculty who want to mentor Ph.D. students who are supported by external funding.

Thank you,

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Graduate Program Information Session

The UGS invites all Graduate Program Directors and/or Department Chairs to attend an information session where important changes will be discussed in the following areas: application deadlines, admissions quotas, and financial allocations. This information affects Fall 2014 admissions and enrollment. It is important that all graduate programs are represented at the meeting. The meeting will take place on Thursday, October 17, 2013 in GC 243 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. To RSVP for this meeting, please click [here](#).

New Change of Graduate Degree Program Form

Please note that we have updated the Change of Graduate Degree Program form, which will be effective November 12, 2013. Older forms will not be accepted after this date. The new form can be found at: <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/student-forms.shtml> in "Current Student Forms."

D5/M3 Deadline for Fall 2013 Graduation

The last day to submit the Preliminary Approval of Dissertation and Request for Oral Defense (D5) and Preliminary Approval of Thesis and Request for Oral Defense (M3) forms for fall 2013 graduation is Friday, October 25, 2013. To access the forms, please go to <https://gradschool.fiu.edu/student-forms.shtml>.

FIU/UM Exchange Program

The FIU/UM exchange program provides FIU doctoral students and students enrolled in the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Master's programs with the opportunity to enroll in up to 6 graduate credits at UM that will help enhance the students' graduate academic experiences. The deadline for students to apply for the Spring 2014 FIU/UM exchange program is November 1st. For additional information, please contact Magnolia Hernández at the UGS at mehernan@fiu.edu or (305) 348-1905. The application can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

Save the Date!! UGS Open House

The Graduate School Open House will take place on Saturday, November 23, 2013. All programs are strongly encouraged to attend. Requests for table reservations will be forthcoming.

AGILE Application

The application deadline for doctoral students interested in being part of this year's cohort of AGILE scholars is fast approaching. Completed applications must be submitted to the UGS by October 15, 2013. Please visit <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/agile> for more information.

Graduate Events

Writing the Literature Review Workshop

Friday, October 24, 2013
3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.
BBC—HL 170

CV Writing Workshop

Monday, October 28, 2013
4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
MMC—GC 230

UGS Open House

Saturday, November 23, 2013
9:30 a.m.—12:00 noon
MMC—Graham Center Ballrooms

For more Graduate Events, visit:

<http://gradschool.fiu.edu/cs-professional-development-2013-fall.shtml>

Important Deadlines

D-5/M-3 Deadline for Fall 2013

Graduation

Friday, October 25, 2013

Deadline to Defend Thesis or

Dissertations for Fall 2013 Graduation

Friday, November 15, 2013

Final ETD Approval Form Deadline

Friday, December 6, 2013

For more Thesis and Dissertation Deadlines, visit:

<http://gradschool.fiu.edu/electronic-thesis-dissertation-deadlines.shtml>

Last Day to Admit International Students Living Abroad for Spring 2014

Monday, November 4, 2013

Last Day to Issue I-20's for International Students Living Abroad for Spring 2014

Monday, November 18, 2013

For more Graduate Admissions deadlines, visit:

http://gradschool.fiu.edu/documents/Grad_Admissions_Deadlines.pdf

