New Graduate Student Orientation

August 21, 2019, Worsham Cinema, Gatton Student Center

8:00-8:30 Breakfast
Gatton Student Center, 3rd floor entrance to Worsham Cinema

8:30-8:50 Welcome to Graduate Studies at UK!
Dr. Brian Jackson, Interim Dean, The Graduate School
Dr. Morris Grubbs, Assistant Dean and Director of Graduate Student Professional Enhancement, The Graduate School

8:50-9:30 Keynote Address: Higher Education’s Higher Purpose
Dr. Aaron Thompson, President, Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education

9:30 -9:50 Finding Your Pathway: Thriving in Your First Year and Beyond
Dr. Morris Grubbs, Assistant Dean, The Graduate School
Dr. Ashley Sorrell, Assistant Director, Graduate Student Professional Enhancement

9:50-10:15 Flashtalks: Advice from Experienced Graduate Students
Kayla Bohannon, Ph.D. Student, Philosophy
Jean Branttie, Ph.D. Candidate, Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry
Ren Guerriero, Ph.D. Candidate, Biology
Amanda Slone, Ph.D. Candidate, Communication

10:15-10:30 Graduate Student Congress: Elevating the Graduate Community
Joel Klipfel, GSC President and doctoral candidate, Mathematics

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-11:30 Advice on Managing Stress and Anxiety
Tess Smith, doctoral candidate, Clinical Psychology

11:30-12:30 Advice from Advisors: Navigating a Productive Relationship
Moderator: Dr. Jane McEldowney Jensen, Associate Professor and DGS, Educational Policy Studies and Evaluation
Dr. Esther Dupont-Versteegden, Professor and Director, Rehabilitation Sciences
Dr. Willis Jones, Associate Professor, Educational Policy Studies and Evaluation
Dr. Brett Spear, Professor and DGS, Integrated Biomedical Sciences

12:30-1:30 Lunch (pizza, including vegetarian and gluten-free, with salad), Ballroom A

12:30-2:30 Graduate Student Resource Fair, Ballroom B