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Graduate Student *Spotlight*



Faith Fursman, Master of Public Health student, creates rabies awareness curriculum for elementary students

Children are the most at-risk for rabies because they may not yet know how to interact with animals and may not report being scratched or bitten right away. Fursman developed an engaging, age-appropriate rabies education curriculum to equip elementary school students with the knowledge to protect themselves from this life-threatening disease. [MORE >>](#)

Research *Spotlight*



Joshua Moses, Graduate Research Assistant, makes science more accessible and wins top award

“I’m exploring science communication in my own way, particularly through mass media,” said Moses. “When I started my Ph.D. program, I created the brand ‘The PhD Himbo,’ with the tagline, ‘I’m the male Elle Woods.’” [MORE >>](#)



Kyra Shrout, M.S. Department of Forestry student, focuses on the oaks

Kentucky's oaks are a keystone tree species both ecologically and economically, but oak regeneration is at risk. "My research aims to examine the utility of soil's physical and chemical properties towards modeling the abundance of oak regeneration in Eastern Kentucky, using both fine-scale and board-scale data. [MORE >>](#)

Funding Opportunities

Find full descriptions for each of the Graduate School **fellowship opportunities** [here](#).
Access the **application** [here](#).

[Presidential Graduate Fellowship](#)

Applications Open: January 6, 2025

Application Deadline: **February 16, 2025**

[Northern KY/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club Fellowship](#)

Applications Open: January 6, 2025

Application Deadline: **March 30, 2025**

[John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellowship Program](#) is a 1-year Department of Defense development program for recent advanced degree program graduates (or who will graduate) from across multiple academic disciplines.

[The Quad Fellowship](#), supported by the governments of Australia, India, Japan, and the US, empowers exceptional graduate students in STEM fields to advance innovation and foster collaboration across the Indo-Pacific. Application closes **March 3, 2025**.

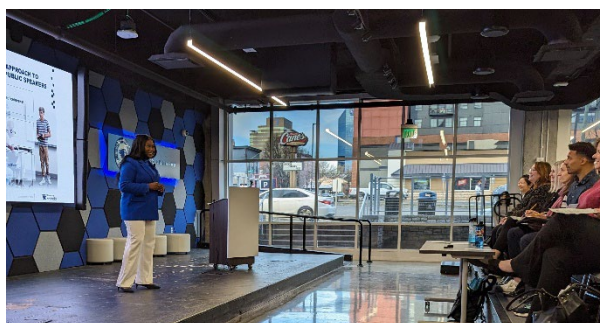
2025 ETS [Student Scholarships](#) and [Summer Internships](#) portal is now open. [ETS](#) provides scholarships to create college access and several directly impact graduate students.



Summer support available for doctoral students in an unpaid/underpaid internship in a related career direction to your research but is not within academia nor in a typical career outcome field for your degree.

Application Now Open! [MORE >>](#)

Upcoming Events



UK GradTeach Live! Finals
Thursday, February 27 5pm
at the Esports Theater in [The Cornerstone](#)
Help cheer on your favorite finalist! Participants with the top submissions will present in-person. Includes people's choice voting and an announcement of cash prizes. [MORE >>](#)



Feb. 13 | 5:30 - 7:30p | [Coffee House Jazz & Poetry Night](#)

Feb. 18 | 5:30 - 7:30p | [King Cinema: Disney's Queen of Katwe](#)

Feb. 27 | 6:00 - 9:00p | [A Night at the Apollo: Student Talent Showcase](#)

Feb. 28 | 2:00 - 4:00p | [Register by 2/17](#)
Black History Month Faculty, Student & Staff Mixer

Career Corner

BEYOND
GRADUATE SCHOOL

HOW MASTER'S STUDENTS CAN LAND JOBS AND GAIN WORK EXPERIENCE

February 10 - 13 | 2 - 2:30pm ET

Join Beyond Graduate School for this week's webinars, each designed to show master's students how to find an internship or job.

[Register to attend 2-2:30pm ET, daily](#)

Pre-recorded: *What employers value*

Feb 11: *Unlock the hidden job market*

Feb 12: *How to network*

Feb 13: *I'm an international student*

International Student

Career Day

JOB VACANCY

International Student Career Day
"Love Your Career Journey"

Friday, February 14

12:00-5:00 PM - Lunch Included

@[The Cornerstone](#)

Register on [BBNVOLVED](#)
[ISSS](#) | [CARES First-Gen](#) | [Stuckert Career Center](#)

Graduate Student Resume Workshop

12-1:30, in person, [Stuckert Career Center](#)
February 17

New!
Graduate Student Resume Workshop

February 17
12:00-1:30pm, in person
[Stuckert Career Center](#)
by [Dr. Abbie Wood](#)
[Registration Link](#)

BEYOND
THE PROFESSORiate

WRITING RESUMES THAT COMMUNICATE YOUR VALUE TO EMPLOYERS

February 19, 2025 | 12pm - 12:45pm ET


Join Beyond the Professoriate in this upcoming webinar where you'll learn what employers look for in candidates, and how you can write resumes that communicate your value to employers.

[Advanced Registration Required](#)

February 19
12-12:45pm ET, Zoom

SPRING WORKSHOP SERIES

LEVERAGING YOUR GRADUATE SCHOOL EXPERIENCES FOR ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC CAREER SUCCESS






FEBRUARY 20
3-4 PM EST

LEVERAGING YOUR TEACHING FOR CAREER SUCCESS

ON ZOOM: [TINYURL.COM/GRADCAREERSUCCESS](https://tinyurl.com/gradcareersuccess)

Questions? abbie.wood@uky.edu

Scan for Zoom Link! 

Join Dr. Abbie Wood on Zoom this month to for the second installment of her spring workshop series: **Leveraging Your Teaching for Career Success**

This series helps graduate students leverage their school experiences for academic and non-academic career success.

[On Zoom](#) | February 20 | 3-4 PM EST



HIRE BLUE CAREER FAIRS

at GATTON STUDENT CENTER

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25
2 - 6 p.m.
Pigman Engineering and Computer Science Career Fair

6 - 8 p.m.
Pigman Civil Engineering Career Expo

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26
1 - 5 p.m.
All Majors Career Fair

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Design Career Fair


A UK INVESTS EVENT

PHD & MASTER'S Virtual Career Expo

TALENT WITH ADVANCED DEGREES

March 5, 2025

The Graduate Career Consortium Virtual Career Expo connects graduate students and postdocs to employers.

Engage with over 40 employers seeking advanced degree talent in the humanities, social sciences and STEM fields!

[Advanced Registration Required](#)

March 5 | 12-4pm ET | Virtual
[MORE >>](#)

Rising Stars Symposium

The Rising Stars Symposium is an annual recruitment event that showcases the biomedical research of exceptional postdoctoral candidates from across the country. **For late-stage doctoral students who**

will be seeking a postdoctoral position between now and May 2026. [Application closes February 21, 2025.](#)

Graduate Student *Resources*



Monitoring Federal Policy Changes

To learn about how federal policies affect our institution, please visit [Monitoring Federal Changes 2025](#) provided by [UK's Office of the President](#). For research specifically, including NIH guidance please visit [2025 Federal Changes](#). **To help you navigate uncertainty, please review the various resources and events for students in this issue. Connect with others in-person and virtually.**



Becoming A Resilient Scientist

Studying or working in academic research can sometimes be hard and require trainees of all levels (postbac, graduate, postdoctoral) to build resilience skills. Join a webinar, discussion, or campus conversation! [MORE>>](#)

Wednesday, join us to [Explore Self-Talk, i.e. Imposter Fears and Other Cognitive Distortion](#)

Graduate Group *Health & Wellness Coaching*

Small group sessions for graduate students to work together with certified health & wellness coaches on common goals.

Virtual 4 Part Series- Spring 1
Feb 18th, Feb 25th, March 4th, and March 11th
12-12:50

Stress & Time Management

Have questions? Email
meghan.wolf@uky.edu

 **POWER**
Preventive Outreach and
Wellness Education Resources

Health & Wellness Coaching: Virtual sessions available for all Graduate Students!

Join a group of your peers to talk through the stressor in graduate school and life and develop healthier coping strategies. You must register for each session.

[Feb 25: Building Resilience with Mindfulness & Regulation](#)

Questions? Meghan.wolf@uky.edu



New Website Launch! gradschool.uky.edu

We have been working to update our website for the best user experience, and you are one of our most important users!

Please take a look:

- [Current Students](#)
- [Graduate Student Resources](#)
- [Professional Enhancement](#)
- Try utilizing the '[search](#)' function at the top of the page to locate a specific item

If you have any feedback, we always love to [hear from you!](#)

UK Libraries

- All week, UK Libraries is celebrating data with [Love Data Week](#) - this is a great way to learn about the services they provide and work on managing your data.

Sprintax Webinar for UK Students and Scholars

- Sprintax Nonresident Tax Webinar - Feb. 25, 4PM [Register Here](#)

UK Research Lunch and Learns

- [UK Research Lunch and Learn Series 2/12 @12PM on Zoom](#): A Three Decade Legacy of Lessons and Impacts: Transdisciplinary Research on Health and the Environment. View the complete Spring 2025 schedule [here](#).

Self-Care Resources

- [AFRO YOGA February 19, 5PM](#) - Alumni Gym Group Fitness A
- [Graduate and Professional Student Support Groups](#)
- [Recreational Centers hours and locations](#)
- [Schedule Your CARES Relaxation Room Session](#)



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