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## Graduate Student *Spotlight*



### Education doctoral student Zachary Milford named among top rising literacy leaders

As a doctoral scholar in the UK College of Education [Department of Curriculum and Instruction](#), his work focuses on how content creators shape public discourse around reading instruction including misinformation and disinformation on social media. [MORE >>](#)

## Research *Spotlight*



### UK doctoral student Great C. Umenweke collaborates with adviser to write key primer

[Hydrocarbon Biofuels](#) could help humans turn waste into renewable energy. “The book stands as a gateway for graduate students leaping into the study of hydrocarbon biofuels as well as for policymakers and other stakeholders who want to learn more about this topic,” Umenweke said. [MORE >>](#)

## Need to Know

### \*Residence Requirement for Doctoral Students

Doctoral students who want to count 18 credit hours **from an awarded master's degree at another accredited school or from UK** must notify the [DGS of the program](#). The DGS can send an email request to count those hours to [The Graduate School Dean](#).

Remember, credit for a prior master's degree **cannot** be combined with transfer of credit.

Questions? [Connect with Academic Services >>](#)

## Funding Opportunities

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

### [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 funding 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.

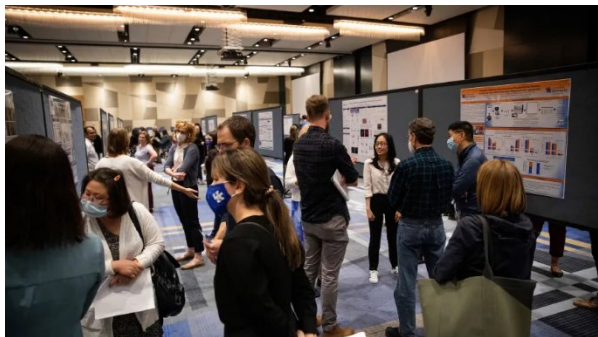
**Application Now Open!** [MORE](#)  
[>>](#)

## Upcoming Events



### Thesis & Dissertation Writing Camp

The Graduate School's [Office of Graduate Student Professional Enhancement](#) will be hosting the annual Spring Thesis & Dissertation [Writing Camp](#) over **Spring Break, March 17 - 21**  
**\*[Register by 8am March 10](#)**



### 16th Annual Trainee Research Day

**March 24, 2025**

Sponsored by the [Office of Biomedical Education](#) and Trainees in Research Advisory Committee (TRAC)

**[Register by March 18](#)**



### [Student Government Association](#)

Student Body President and Senate elections will be held on **March 3rd and 4th** via BBNvolved!  
 Graduate-at-Large and College senate seats are up for election. Visit our Instagram (@uksga) or our [website](#). Please [email the SGA elections commissioner](#) if you have any questions.



**[Graduate Student Congress: Presentation Workshop](#)**  
**March 11, 5 - 6pm, Food!**

Enhance your presentation skills. Non-native English speaker support and peer tutoring available.

**Alumni Gallery (1-65) at Willy T. Library**



# Career Corner

BEYOND  
GRADUATE SCHOOL

**USING LINKEDIN IN  
YOUR JOB SEARCH**

March 5, 2025 | 2 - 2:30pm ET

Join Beyond Graduate School for next week's webinar:  
***Using LinkedIn in your job search as a master's student***

One of the most common mistakes we see master's students make in their job search is engaging in passive versus active networking.

[Register to attend](#) March 5, 2-2:30pm

University of  
Kentucky

Info Session

**OPT/CPT Workshop:  
Navigating Authorization  
with Your Employer**

Monday, March 10, 2025 2:30pm - 4:00pm EDT

Log Into Handshake to register  
Use your existing Handshake account to register and attend this event.

Log in

University of Kentucky

OPT/CPT workshop in partnership with international student and scholar services that will also address navigating authorization with your employer

New!  
**OPT/CPT Workshop: Navigating  
Authorization with your Employer**

**March 10**  
2:30-4:00pm, in person  
[Stuckert Career Center](#)  
by [Dr. Abbie Wood](#)  
[Registration Link](#)

BEYOND  
THE PROFESSORIATE

**GOING BEYOND LINKEDIN,  
HOW TO UNLOCK THE  
HIDDEN JOB MARKET**

March 5, 2025 | 12pm - 12:45pm ET

Join Beyond the Professoriate in this upcoming webinar where doctoral students and PhDs can learn ways to break into the "hidden" job market - nearly 70% of companies hire through employee referrals!

[Advanced Registration Required](#)  
**March 5**  
12-12:45pm, Zoom

**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 >>](#)**

# Graduate Student Resources



Attend an interactive session, equipping you with the knowledge and skills to recognize and prevent power-based personal violence.

**March 4, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**  
**April 2, 5:00 – 6:30 PM (Pizza & Mocktails!)**

[REGISTER >>](#)



### 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>>](#)

**March 12 @12PM**, join us for [Developing Feedback Resilience](#)



### 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](#).

## Income Tax Webinars for UK J-1 scholars and F-1/J-1 international students

- Learn about filing a tax return for federal, state tax income or other tax filing forms. Sprintax Nonresident Tax Webinar – **Mar 14, 1PM - Online or In-person**. [Register here](#). In-person attendees come to the [ISSS](#) Multipurpose Room and bring your laptop for individual assistance during the webinar. <https://international.uky.edu/iss/taxes>

## UK Research Lunch and Learns

- [UK Research Lunch and Learn Series 3/12 @12PM on Zoom](#): Collaborative Innovations in Pandemic Preparedness: The Role of Multidisciplinary Research in Center-Level Success

View the complete Spring 2025 schedule [here](#).

# Self-Care Resources

## 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  
Professional, Academic, and  
Wellness Education Resources

### Virtual sessions for Graduate Students!

Join a group of your peers to talk through the stressors in graduate school and life and develop healthier coping strategies.

**March 11: Building Support & Coping Strategies - Register >>**

Questions? [Meghan.wolf@uky.edu](mailto:Meghan.wolf@uky.edu)



### ...to help make life a little easier

- [Talkspace](#) therapy credits provide online mental health support.
- The [Big Blue Pantry](#) provides groceries and essential food items to students facing food insecurity.
- The [Thomas D. Clark Graduate Study](#) is a dedicated study space for graduate students and postdocs.
- Access design, video editing and photography programs. ([Adobe Creative Suite](#))

# At a Glance



# THE *Grad* RUNDOWN

SPRING THESIS & DISSERTATION WRITING CAMP

**APPLICATION CLOSES**

CLOSES AT 8AM | [gradschool.uky.edu/td-writing-camps](https://gradschool.uky.edu/td-writing-camps)

**MAR  
10**

**MAR  
17-21**

**SPRING BREAK! | WRITING CAMP BEGINS**

HAVE A GREAT AND  
SAFE WEEK OFF!

**CAREER SUCCESS SERIES | SERVICE**

3:00-4:00 PM | HOSTED BY ABBIE WOOD | ZOOM  
[TINYURL.COM/GRADCAREERSUCCESS](https://tinyurl.com/gradcareersuccess)

**MAR  
27**

**MAR  
30**

**FELLOWSHIPS APPLICATIONS CLOSE**

5 FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS CLOSE MAR 30 |  
APPLY AT [GRADSCHOOL.UKY.EDU/FUNDING](https://gradschool.uky.edu/funding)



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