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Ramadan (04/02 - 05/02)
Ramadan 2022 is coming!

What faculty need to know:

Ramadan is the Muslim month of fasting. Practicing Muslim students will be fasting from dawn until dusk (approx. 4:30 AM to 8:30 PM)

Fasting means NO FOOD and NO WATER.

Ramadan celebrations often involve prayers later into the night. It is not unusual to be up past midnight for prayers then get up at 3:30-4:00 AM to eat before dawn and pray.

Ramadan 2022 will last approximately from April 2nd to May 2nd. Ramadan is scheduled on the lunar calendar, so it moves dates each year.

Muslim Students may be tired, hungry, and dehydrated in your classes—especially if they are with you late in the afternoon.

GSC General Assembly Meeting (04/07)

5:30 p.m. EST

All graduate and professional students, postdoctoral scholars, and graduate faculty are invited to attend. Elections for next year’s Executive Board will be conducted at this meeting.

Link to Agenda
Latinx Networking at Night (04/08)

Latinx Networking At Night

Friday, April 8th
4:30 p.m. @Kentucky Native Cafe
417 E Maxwell St Unit B, Lexington, KY

An opportunity for Latinx graduate students and Latinx professionals to come together and build community. We provide the appetizers! No RSVP is required!

Questions? Contact Ely Harris-Medina at eme225@uky.edu

UK Center for Graduate and Professional Diversity Initiatives

Commencement Graduate Assistantship (04/10)

$600/biweekly stipend

Assist in the day to day operations and coordination of Commencement exercises for December and May ceremonies. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: managing the commencement website and registration process, maintaining inventory of commencement equipment and supplies, and assist with the management of college coordinators responsibilities.

Click Here to Apply

Lexington: A City of Cultures Without Borders
LEXINGTON
A CITY OF CULTURES WITHOUT BORDERS

APRIL 13, 2022  |  Patterson Hall
4:00 PM: Panel Discussion (Patterson Hall 218/219)
5:00 PM: Global Marketplace (Patterson Hall 118/119)

A moderated panel discussion showcasing local immigrant entrepreneurs followed by a global marketplace featuring free food from local international restaurants and international student groups
SEC Emerging Scholars Career Preparation Workshop

The workshop is designed to provide professional development and networking opportunities, in a purposefully inclusive way, for top scholars to seek out employment and mentorship within SEC member universities.

What: Career Preparation Workshop
When: September 27-29, 2022
Where: University of Missouri in Columbia
For: Senior Graduate Students and Postdocs

https://www.uky.edu/postdoc/sec

Commencement Ceremonies (May 2022)

Central Bank Center at Rupp Arena

Friday, May 6th

- **9 AM**: College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, College of Communication and Information, College of Pharmacy, College of Public Health, Martin School of Policy and Administration, Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce

- **2 PM**: College of Education, College of Engineering, College of Medicine

- **6 PM**: Gatton College of Business and Economics, College of Health Sciences, College of Fine Arts, College of Nursing

Saturday, May 7th

- **9 AM**: College of Arts and Sciences, College of Social Work, College of Design

Postdoctoral Fellowships in Racial Justice at Loyola

Each fellow receives the following:
$70K salary and benefits (2-year appointment starting July 1, 2022)
- Funding for professional development activities
- Funding to pay mentors for their time
- Access to graduate student research support
- Curated leadership experiences with community partners

We are currently accepting applications for the following positions:

- Economic Justice Fellowship
- Environmental Justice Fellowship
- Educational Justice Fellowship

Lab Manager Position in Frankfort, KY

The Senior Laboratory Manager focuses on providing a high level of technical knowledge, complex problem-solving skills and microbiological testing in the Kentucky Division of Laboratory Services (KY DLS). This position will also be responsible for overseeing laboratory operations, execution of monitoring programs, and management of public health surveillance data of SARS-CoV-2 infections around the Commonwealth of KY. This position cannot be performed remotely.

Click Here for More Information

Graduating? What to Do with Your UK Accounts and Mail Before You Go

Students who are no longer enrolled at the university will have their accounts turned off after nine months from the date of their separation (e.g., graduation date, last date of course registration).

Click Here for More Information

Fall 2022 ESL Courses

The following ESL courses will be offered in-person during Fall 2022. You can read more about each of these courses [here](#). If you are interested in taking one of these courses or if you have any questions, please contact [Angela Garner](#), Lecturer in the Center for...
ESL 095: Academic Writing for International Graduate Students  
Mondays and Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

This class is designed to assist international students prepare for academic writing at the graduate level. Particular attention is given to writing conventions in the United States, and there is an emphasis on learning and applying the process of writing (drafting, revision, editing, and proofreading). Students will also learn about the importance of academic honesty at the American University, including how to avoid plagiarism as well as how to evaluate and cite sources in their specific disciplines. Assignments in the class will allow students to investigate writing in their disciplines and then apply what they learn to their own field-specific writing. Sample assignments include an annotated bibliography and a proposal/problem-solution paper.

ESL 093: Academic Speaking/Listening for International Graduate Students  
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

This class is designed to help international students develop their oral and aural English skills in a practical environment. Students’ pronunciation patterns are analyzed at the beginning of the semester and time is spent developing a sense of American English sounds, rhythms, and intonation patterns. Course time will also be devoted to helping students develop communication strategies, prepare for and present short presentations, and lead group as well as roundtable discussions.

ESL 090: English for International Teaching Assistants  
Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 5:50 p.m.  
Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

This course is designed for non-native English-speaking graduate assistants who either placed into or were recommended to take the course during TA Language Screenings conducted by the Graduate School. This course focuses on skills needed for graduate teaching assistants whose primary language is not English to be successful in classroom teaching at the university level. Instruction in the course focuses on improving the communication and pronunciation skills of students with special emphases on listening/speaking skills, presentation skills, negotiation skills, and other classroom management tools such as interactive and pedagogical communication.

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Fall 2022 PFFP (GS) Courses

**Attention all graduate students and postdocs:** Want to learn how to inspire curiosity? Consider enrolling in **GS 620: Teaching in the 21st Century: Inspiring Curiosity** (2 credit hours). Considering a faculty career? Want to learn more about the range of faculty work at both research-intensive and teaching-intensive institutions. Or want valuable insights into how to apply and interview effectively for a faculty position? Enroll in **GS 650: Preparing Future Faculty** (2 credit hours). Want to learn how to craft clear and compelling grant applications? Enroll in **GS 640: Grant Writing** (3 credit hours). For more information about these and other GS and higher education (EPE) courses, click [here](#), or contact Dr. Morris Grubbs or Dr. Jeffery Bieber.
You must be currently enrolled as a student in at least 6 fee paying hours at the University of Kentucky to receive services. Graduate students enrolled in dissertation or thesis hours are also eligible.

Click Here for to View PDF

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**Inside Higher Ed Article on TAs Written by Grad School Staff**

The Unsung Career Benefits of Graduate Teaching Assistantships

"We need to emphasize or reconceptualize such assistantships as a source of skills that are transferable within and beyond academe, write Morris Grubbs and Ashley Sorrell."

Click Here to Read Full Article

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**Postdoc Positions Available at OSU**

The mission of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) is to prepare the next generation of research leaders by enhancing the postdoctoral experience at Ohio State through promotion of career development opportunities, advancing the quality of the training environment for postdoctoral scholars, and providing resources and support to faculty mentors.

Click Here to See Open Positions

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**UK Libraries Survey**
THE LIBRARIES NEED YOUR HELP!

Help us improve Willy T!

Visit bit.ly/WTYL-2022 or scan the QR code to take the 5-10 minute survey.

SGA Professional Readiness Grant
The tax software link is live on the iCAT (icat.uky.edu) website for international students to use. Using this link brings students to a redirected page where they will receive an automatic discount (one federal tax form is free). J-1 research or non-degree scholars will use a different link and discount code that we sent to them in their email. State tax returns and other tax forms may also be prepared with this software. Sprintax will charge a small fee if students want help filing a state tax return or other additional forms. If students want free assistance with state tax forms they should visit the UK College of Law Tax Clinic.

**Remember:** Tax laws and filing procedures are entirely different for F and J international students. More information is also available on our website, as well as in the Tax Guide.

**PUBLIC Webinar Dates**

(∗Note: Students may be unable to ask individual questions as it’s open to anyone.)

- **Tuesday, April 5th @ 1pm EST**
- **Monday, April 11th @ 12pm EST**
Thursday, April 14th @ 1pm EST
Friday, April 15th @ 12pm EST

CGPDI Office Hours (T/R @ 10 a.m.)
FOR CURRENT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS
10:00 A.M.- 12:00 P.M.
ZOOM:
https://uki.zoom.us/my/harrismedina

IF YOU ARE A CURRENT GRADUATE OR PROFESSIONAL STUDENT WHO WANTS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CAMPUS RESOURCES OR NEEDS HELP NAVIGATING AN ISSUE, JUMP IN TO MY OFFICE HOURS! MY NAME IS ELIZABETH HARRIS-MEDINA AND I CURRENTLY SERVE AS THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR RETENTION AND CAMPUS ENGAGEMENT. I WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU!

NPA SmartSkills Program (4th Thurs. @ noon)

The full list of topics and instructors is here.
Recorded classes will be available on the NPA website, but the certificate requires engagement in at least ten live classes, so clear your schedule by registering today.

If not a member already, a postdoc must first sign up as an NPA Affiliate Member, a free and simple step.

The National Postdoctoral Association (NPA) SmartSkills Program is a free professional development training program for postdocs. These interactive classes are offered monthly, focus on building a variety of critical professional development skills, and are taught by experts from institutions across the country.

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Responsible Conduct of Research

Required for ALL Faculty and Graduate Students

An introductory video about the courses, why they are required and how the system works can be found here.

The RCR Page to get started with your training is here.

Do You Know?: UHS vs. SHP

REMINDER FOR 767 STUDENTS

Post-qualifying students who are enrolled in 2 credit hours of 767 are not automatically charged the Student Health Fee, which provides access to University Health Service. To have this access, post-qualifying students must contact Student Account Services and ask to have the fee added to their account.

The Qualifying Examination (DGS Handbook)

The results of the examination must be reported by the DGS to The Graduate School within 10 days of its conclusion. A majority vote is required to pass this examination. If the result is failure, the advisory committee determines the conditions to be met before another examination may be given. The minimum time between examinations is 4 months. A second examination must be taken within one year after taking the first examination; a third examination is not permitted. If a student fails the qualifying examination on the first attempt, the Advisory Committee should not be changed prior to reexamination without approval of the Dean of the Graduate School. Students are admitted to candidacy for the doctoral degree after they have successfully completed the Qualifying Examination; the date is noted on the transcript.

Thesis & Dissertation Formatting

Please be advised you can save time and energy when formatting your document when you follow the templates found below.

Notification of Intent to Schedule a Final Examination
Doctoral candidates can place information in the Comments section of the NOTIF to identify a faculty member to serve as the Outside Examiner (OE); provide possible date(s) for the final examination; or any other information or special circumstance that might assist the Graduate School with the appointment of the OE.

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**Thomas D. Clark Graduate Study**

**EXCLUSIVELY for Graduate Students and Postdocs**

Visit the Clark Study on the fifth floor of William T. Young Library, in the west wing.

The Clark Study is accessible via UK ID card tap.

If your ID does not work or you have any trouble accessing the study, please contact Melissa Barlow with UK Libraries for assistance.

[Click Here for More Information](#)

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**Graduate Student Success Pathways**

**Chart Your Path to Success!**

This is a new initiative designed for students in all stages of graduate study to optimize their educational experience by taking full advantage of the spectrum of professional enhancement and wellness assistance available to them. To help you along your path, we have created an online portal with resources, initiatives, and actionable steps you can take in each of these four dimensions, at any stage of study, to optimize your graduate experience.

[Click here to get started!](#)

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**Key Dates for Spring 2022**

**April**
- **Thursday, April 7** – Last day for

**Essential Campus Resources**

Below are links to some essential
candidates for a May 2022 degree to schedule a final examination in the Graduate School.  
- **Friday, April 8** – Deadline for applying for admission to the Graduate School for the 2022 Summer Session.  
- **Friday, April 15** – Deadline for international applications to be submitted to the Graduate School for the 2022 Fall Semester.  
- **Wednesday, April 20 - Sunday, June 19** – Registration continues for currently enrolled students not registered for the 2022 Fall semester and add/drop for any currently enrolled students for the 2022 Fall semester.  
- **Thursday, April 21** – Last day for candidates for a May 2022 graduate degree to sit for a final examination.  
- **Monday, April 25 - Monday, May 9** – Final Grading window is open.  
- **Wednesday, April 27** – Last day of classes.  
- **Monday, April 25 - Wednesday, April 27** – Prep Days (Classes DO meet.)  
- **Thursday, April 28 - Friday, April 29** – Reading Days (Classes do NOT meet.)  
- **Friday, April 29** – Last day candidates for a May 2022 degree to submit thesis/dissertation (ETD) for format review to the Graduate School via UKnowledge.  

**May**

- **Monday, May 2 - Thursday, May 5** – Final Examinations  
- **Friday, May 6** – End of 2022 Spring Semester  
- **Friday, May 6** – Last day for candidates for a May 2022 degree to submit final revised thesis/dissertation (ETD) for acceptance by the Graduate School for those students who first submitted April 29.  
- **Friday May 6 & Saturday, May 7** – Commencement  
- **Monday, May 9** – Final deadline for submission of grades using Faculty Services in myUK is 5:00 p.m.  

*Find more key dates for the rest of the semester on the [Registrar's website](#).*

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campus resources for graduate and professional students and postdocs:

- [Academic Ombud](#)  
- [Admissions Officers](#)  
- [Big Blue Pantry](#)  
- [Center for Graduate and Professional Diversity Initiatives (CGPDI)](#)  
- [Center for Support and Intervention](#)  
- [Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching (CELT)](#)  
- [Counseling Center](#)  
- [Disability Resource Center](#)  
- [Graduate Student Congress](#)  
- [International Student & Scholar Services](#)  
- [Main UK COVID-19 Page](#)  
- [Office of Diversity and Inclusion](#)  
- [Office of Graduate Student Professional Enhancement](#)  
- [Office of Institutional Equity & Equal Opportunity](#)  
- [Office of Postdoctoral Affairs](#)  
- [Office of Student Conduct](#)  
- [Stuckert Career Center](#)  
- [Student Government Association](#)  
- [Student Organizations & Activities](#)  
- [UK Healthcare COVID-19](#)  
- [UK Libraries Graduate Student Survival Kit](#)  
- [University Health Services (UHS)](#)  
- [Veterans Resource Center](#)  
- [VIP Center](#)  
- [Wildcat Wardrobe](#)  

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Impactful Research
Transformative Teaching
Holistic Wellness