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CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

We in the Graduate School are proud of you.



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GSC May General Assembly Meeting (05/05)



Last meeting of the semester!

Everyone at the University of Kentucky is invited to attend GSC's General Assembly meetings, including all graduate students, professional students, postdoctoral scholars, and graduate faculty.

[Click here to see the meeting agenda!](#)



GSC ConGRADS Photo Event (05/05)





ConGRADs Photo Session

We are celebrating UK graduate students graduating in May 2022! Stop by for a free photo in your cap and gown!

When: Thursday, May 5th 2-5 pm

Where: Gillis Lawn
502 Administration Drive,
Lexington, KY



UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
GRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS



Alumni Association Grad Gathering (05/06 & 05/07)



Let's Celebrate the Grad!

MAY 6 & 7, 2022

JOIN US FOR UK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GRAD GATHERING!

Immediately following each Ceremony

Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center | 430 West Vine Street
Meeting Rooms | Second Floor

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation from the University of Kentucky! To celebrate your accomplishment, we'd like to invite you and your family to attend our Commencement Open House event at Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center after you walk across the stage. Stop by and let us welcome you into our alumni family! Individual colleges and campus partners are joining together to create a unique opportunity to celebrate your milestone!

- FREE refreshments
- FREE gift for all graduates in attendance
- FREE gift for individuals who become an Active or Life Member
- Enter to win a graduation prize when you update your record
- The Official University of Kentucky Class Ring Collection display and exclusive discount vouchers.
- Photo opportunities for graduates and families.

For questions regarding the Commencement ceremony, visit www.uky.edu/Commencement.

Any additional questions, please contact Samantha Seitz at Samantha.seitz@uky.edu.

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Aurora Online Career Conference (05/07 & 05/14)

Attend Live:
May 7th & 14th,
starting at 11:00
AM (ET) both
days. Conference
is *virtual* via
Zoom webinar.

Video Replay:
Yes! A replay will
be available in
the Aurora
platform for 60
days.



Take charge of your future.

AURORA by **BEYOND** the professoriate

Webinars | Job Search Strategies | Interviews with PhDs

Price: Included in the UK Graduate School's institutional Beyond Prof subscription. There is no cost to you to attend!

Beyond Prof's online career conference is for you if you want to learn:

- About nonacademic career opportunities for PhDs and explore your options;
- How to leverage your education and launch a nonacademic job search with confidence;
- What it takes to build a successful nonacademic career as a PhD.

[Click here to register today!](#)

GSC Work-Life Balance Workshop (05/11)



UK Counseling Center

Finding Work-Life Balance in Graduate School

Thursday, May 11
12 - 1 PM (Zoom)

Learn how to:

- Develop a successful work-life balance
- Better organize personal and professional life
- Create healthy boundaries with advisers

Zoom Link: [https://ukth.zoom.us/j/85769538380?
pwd=UlIUSGNBZFA3SkZzMkx1ZEJ0b2dPdz09](https://ukth.zoom.us/j/85769538380?pwd=UlIUSGNBZFA3SkZzMkx1ZEJ0b2dPdz09)

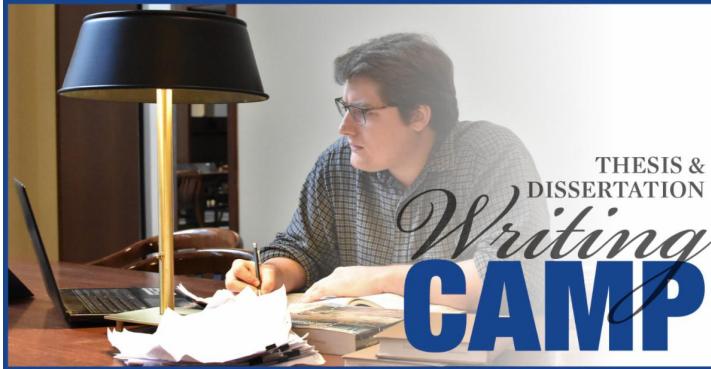


Summer 2022 Thesis & Dissertation Writing Camp (05/16 - 05/27)



Dates: Monday, May 16, 2022, through Friday, May 27, 2022 (weekends optional)

Location: Online via Zoom



Registration Deadline: Friday, May 13, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. EST

Schedule: Coming soon!

[Click here to register!](#)

The Thesis & Dissertation Writing Camp provides dedicated writing time and a supportive environment for graduate students at any stage in the process of writing their master's thesis or doctoral dissertation.

GSC End-of-the-Year Lunch & Launch (05/18)



Date and Time: May 18, 2022, 12:00-2:00 PM

Location: Outside Bradley Hall

Organizer: International Student Concerns Committee (ISCC) within the Graduate Student Congress (GSC)

Please join us for an End-of-the-Year professional development and appreciation event organized by the International Student Concerns Committee of the Graduate Student Congress. Learn how to launch yourself and your career with the resources that are available to graduate students at UK and interact with other students. The lunch will include a conversation with Tithi Basu Malik, Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Career Advisor, about opportunities for graduate students funding, mental health awareness, and professional development. Join us for an opportunity to foster a culture of belonging for all graduate students at UK. **Free Lunch will be provided for participants!**

Fall 2022 PFFP (GS) Courses



GS 620: Teaching in the 21st Century: Inspiring Curiosity

Section 001; 2 credit hours. Monday, 4:00-6:00 p.m., location TBD

Instructor: Dr. Hannah Ruehl

Curiosity, in the most simplistic terms, is the desire to know. As educators and researchers, we know well the power of curiosity because it has led us into higher education. The thrill of pursuing knowledge is a gift we wish to give to our students, because we know it has many rewards for ourselves, society, and posterity. Engaging our intellectual curiosity regularly creates lifelong learners, and lifelong learners enjoy life and move society forward. Yet many of us have found that engaging others, particularly our undergraduates, in our chosen fields and subjects is not always easy. Engaging the curiosity of students is the first step into a major exploration in education. When we harness the power of curiosity in our classes, we invite our students to labor to understand--to satisfy their intellectual itch. Curiosity can help our students commit to the intellectual rigor needed to excel in our classes, majors, and fields.

This seminar will explore what curiosity is, barriers to curiosity, and ways of inspiring curiosity in your classroom. Through discussion-based classes and light readings, this course is designed to complement graduate students interested in careers in academia. No prerequisite other than graduate student standing. Also open to Postdocs.

GS 640: Grant Writing

Sec. 001; 3 credit hours. Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:30 p.m., Jacobs Science Building, Rm 221

Instructor: Dr. Francisco Andrade

Prepares graduate students to identify competitive grants large and small and to craft clear and compelling grant applications. Content and skills developed in the course are useful to students across the disciplines. No prerequisite other than graduate student standing. Also open to Postdocs.

GS 650: Preparing Future Faculty

Sec. 401; 2 credit hours. Monday, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Business and

Economics Building, Rm 131

Instructor: Dr. Morris Grubbs

An introduction to the roles and responsibilities of faculty across the types of institutions (research universities, comprehensive master's universities, liberal arts and sciences colleges and universities, and community colleges). Through class discussions with visiting faculty and administrators, students learn the characteristics of the institutional types and the expectations of faculty across research, teaching, and service. Applying effectively to positions and achieving early and lasting success in faculty appointments will be addressed. No prerequisite other than graduate student standing. Also open to Postdocs.

For more information about these and other GS courses, click [here](#), or contact [Dr. Morris Grubbs](#).

Encore News

2022 GradTeachLive! Winners



Congratulations to the following winners of the 2022 GradTeachLive! competition at UK!



Left to Right: Megan Buland, Jack Swab, Rasheed Flowers, and Erica Jacquay

First Place Winner: Rasheed Flowers, Educational Policy Studies and Evaluation, "Creating Leaders in the Field of Sports Management"

Second Place Winner: **Erica Jacquay**, Veterinary Science, "Peer Mentors: Student-Led Learning in Introductory Equine Classes"

Third Place Winner: **Megan Buland**, Forestry and Natural Resources, "Building a Bridge: Emphasizing Conceptual Learning and Creativity in the Ecological Sciences"

People's Choice Winner: **Jack Swab**, Geography, "Questioning Assumptions, Creating Community"

Videos of the first-place and People's Choice winners will be available soon on the [GradTeachLive! webpage](#).

Nathaniel Hudson Named Diverse Rising Graduate Scholar



Nathaniel Hudson, a Ph.D. candidate in computer science, has been named a Diverse Rising Graduate Scholar by [Diverse: Issues in Higher Education](#), a newsmagazine that focuses on matters of access, diversity, inclusion and opportunity in higher education. Nominations were from all over the country, and only ten graduate students are chosen for the distinction each year.



[Read More Here](#)

MHA Student Team Places Third at OSU Case Competition



The University of Kentucky College of Public Health [Master of Health Administration](#) (MHA) student team of Hannah Wethington, Shivang Patel, and Shelby Watkins recently placed third at the 2022 Ohio State Case Competition. This competition provides first-year graduate students from health administration programs across the country an opportunity to put what they have learned into practice with a real-life case.

[Read More Here](#)

SEC Emerging Scholars Career Preparation Workshop



Click [here](#) for complete information.



SEC Emerging Scholars Career Preparation Workshop 2022

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

Keynote address | Professional Development Sessions | Faculty Application Materials Feedback | Networking Opportunities

<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



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SOLUTIONS**

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.

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](#)

Postdoc Positions Available at OSU



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](#)



Recurring Reminders

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.

Two Part Student Health Care Tips for 2021-2022

UK students have access to a two-part health care system:
1. University Health Service (UHS) through the mandatory Health Fee
2. UK Student Health Plan offered by Academic HealthPlans

1. University Health Service/Health Fee
If you are a full-time UK student, you have access to unlimited, free medical visits at the campus medical clinic, University Health Service (UHS), through your tuition and mandatory fees.

- Unlimited office visits for:
- Injury or illness
 - Allergy injections
 - Well-patient physical exams
 - Women's care (gynecology)
 - Observation room care
 - Behavioral Health office visits

Health education and wellness services:

- Nutrition counseling
- Tobacco treatment counseling
- Sexual health education sessions

Why should you choose UHS?

- Least expensive option for medical care
- Same-day or next-day appointments
- UHS clinicians understand the unique health needs of students and can coordinate with the other campus resources

University Health Service:
Information: (859) 323-5823
Appointments: (859) 323-2778
ukhealthcare.uky.edu/uhs/

2. UK Student Health Plan (UK SHP)

UK SHP is customized to work well with the services provided at UHS. This health plan is intended for medical care beyond your health fee in relation to a specific injury or illness, including diagnostic testing, hospitalization, and prescription benefits.

Students eligible for UK SHP are divided into enrollment types (See more details online):
1) **Funded Graduate Students** are automatically enrolled in UK SHP. Each fall and spring semester you must be: A) Degree-seeking, B) Enrolled in the Graduate School (professional programs do not qualify), and C) Fully-funded by the University with a full-time research, teaching, or graduate assistantship or qualifying fellowship. Eligibility is determined by the UK SHP Office. *Changes in your status may affect your eligibility.*
2) **International Students** are required to have medical coverage and are automatically enrolled in the plan. The cost of the plan is charged to your tuition bill. To complete the enrollment process, simply pay your student bill.
3) **Other UK students and dependents (spouse/children) or Insured students** are eligible to purchase UK SHP. See eligibility guidelines and enroll at uky.myahpcare.com

Understanding UK SHP:
• This health plan is a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO). The health care providers you choose will affect your out-of-pocket expenses. Remember, using UK providers will save you money. See the policy online for details.

- Participating in this student health plan does not mean all of your health care is free. There are medical expenses you are responsible to pay, including an annual deductible, copay or coinsurance charges, and costs related to services limited or excluded by the plan.
- It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with this plan. The best way to make this coverage (or any health plan) work for you is to be informed and proactive. If possible, check the covered benefits before you receive medical care. Read the policy online and contact the SHP Office with your questions.

Academic HealthPlans:
Eligibility and enrollment: 1-855-856-2385
UK SHP Office: studenthealthplan@uky.edu
uky.myahpcare.com

The Qualifying Examination (DGS Handbook)

Thesis & Dissertation

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 four 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.

Formatting

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

Dissertation Template

Thesis Template

Notification of Intent to Schedule a Final Examination (NOTIF)

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.

Thomas D. Clark Graduate Study

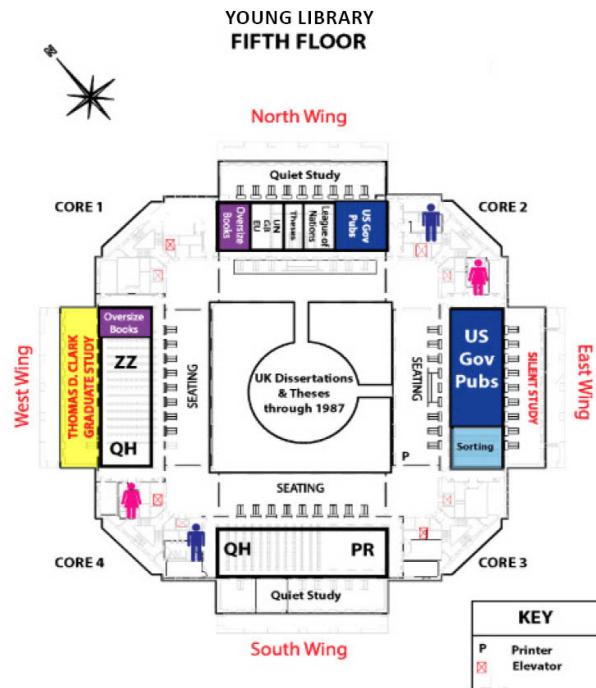
EXCLUSIVELY for Graduate Students and Postdocs

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.

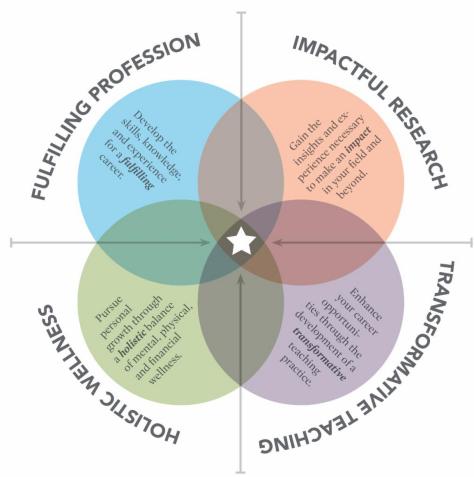
[Click Here for More Information](#)



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!](#)

Key Dates for Spring 2022

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 (EDT) 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](#).

Essential Campus Resources

Below are links to some essential 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](#)

Check us out on social media!



Icon Glossary



Fulfilling Profession



Impactful Research



Transformative Teaching



Holistic Wellness