Week of February 26-March 2, 2018  

Events and Deadlines

This weekly newsletter is sent out to dept. heads, graduate program directors, contact staff, and graduate faculty.

Graduate Faculty

Join us tonight for the final Three Minute Thesis Competition at 5:30 p.m.

Eight students will compete at the final competition tonight at 5:30 p.m. in the Alumni Center Banquet Room. The final competition is free and open to the public. The event will begin at 5:30pm with a social period that will include light snacks and a cash bar. Attendees will be invited to vote for their favorite presenter of the evening for the People's Choice Award.

Volunteer to serve as a judge at the K-State GRAD Forum

The Graduate Student Council is calling for faculty members to serve as judges for the annual K-State Graduate Research, Arts, and Discovery (GRAD) Forum. Complete a brief volunteer form to indicate times you are available on March 29. Poster and oral presentation sessions will be held throughout the day.

Graduate Student Council Fundraiser

Mark your calendars, plan to eat at Panda Express on Wednesday, Feb. 28 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the K-State Student Union. Show this flyer at checkout for the GSC to earn credit.

Graduate Program Directors

GSC Travel Award Recipients for April 2018

Graduate students who have been allocated a GSC travel award for conferences and other professional activities occurring in April are posted on the GSC travel award website.

Accepting applications for University Distinguished Professors Graduate Student Award
The award is intended to recognize exceptional achievement in graduate studies. Applicants must demonstrate excellence in scholarship through publications and other accomplishments appropriate for his or her academic field. Eligible graduate students must be admitted to candidacy at the time of application, in their last year of his or her doctoral degree program, be enrolled in the fall of the academic year of the award. Application materials should be submitted by April 2.

**Graduate Students**

**Friday is the deadline to apply for Sarachek Predoctoral Honors Fellowship and Travel Awards**

The Graduate School is accepting applications for the Sarachek Predoctoral Honors Fellowship. The fellowship provides an award of $17,000 to a graduate student enrolled in a Ph.D. program at Kansas State University. In addition to the fellowship, up to three Sarachek Scientific Travel Awards of $1,000 each may be presented annually. *Application deadline is March 2.*

**March 1 Taiwan Study Abroad Scholarship Deadline**

The Taiwan Study Abroad Scholarship has been established with the goal of providing graduate students and undergraduates enrolled in a concurrent bachelor's/master's degree the opportunity to experience the Taiwanese culture while studying or traveling for an educational experience to Taiwan. To be eligible for consideration, the student should be a graduate student enrolled in any curriculum or undergraduate student concurrent earning their bachelor's and master's degree. *Application deadline is March 1 for travel between May 1 and August 31.*

**Student Life GA Visit Day**

Were you or someone you know involved as an undergraduate student? Interested in serving students while pursuing a graduate degree? Kansas State University’s Division of Student Life is excited to be hosting a graduate assistant visit day on **Wednesday, March 14**. This visit day will allow you to explore assistantship opportunities within a variety of offices that focus on putting students at the center of the college experience. To apply for all available assistantships with one application and register for the free visit day go to the [following link](#).

**GSC Travel Awards Deadline**

March 1 is the deadline to apply for GSC travel awards for events that begin in May.

**Apply for Summer NASA Internships and Fellowships**

NASA Internships integrate participants with career professionals emphasizing mentor-directed, degree-related, real-time world task completion. Participants engage in scientific or engineering research, development, and operations activities. In addition, there are non-technical internship opportunities to engage in professional activities which support NASA business and administrative processes. The NASA Fellowship activity provides fellowship and graduate scholarship awards for individuals pursuing or planning...
to pursue graduate studies leading to master's and doctoral degrees in relevant NASA-related disciplines at accredited U.S. universities. This funding opportunity is open to students pursuing advanced degrees in STEM, specifically in areas of projected deficiencies in the NASA STEM workforce. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and must have a GPA of 3.0 or greater. Application Deadline: March 1, 2018

**ComSciCon18 applications are now open**

Applications are now open for ComSciCon 2018, the 6th annual Communicating Science workshop, to be held in Boston, MA on June 14-16th 2017. Graduate students at U.S. and Canadian institutions in all fields of science, technology, engineering, health, mathematics, and related fields are encouraged to apply. Acceptance to the workshop is competitive; attendance is free and travel support and lodging will be provided to accepted applicants. The application will close on March 1.

**Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research (FFAR) Awards $2.7 Million to Create Fellowship Program to Foster the Next Generation of Food and Agricultural Scientists**

The goal of the program is to combine cutting-edge food and agriculture science research with professional development training to better prepare graduate students for the workforce. The FFAR Fellowship Program will fund 48 graduate students over three years using an interdisciplinary approach to career readiness.

**Call for Notable Scholarly Achievements Deadline to nominate is March 27**

The Graduate Student Council Awards and Recognition Committee would like to recognize graduate students in the Spring 2018 Notable Scholarly Achievements Newsletter. This newsletter was created to showcase notable scholarly achievements from Fall 2017 semester to Spring 2018 semester (October 24, 2017-March 28, 2018).