Week of March 5-9, 2018  Events and Deadlines

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

Graduate Faculty

Call for nominations: 2018-19 Commerce Bank and WT Kemper Foundation Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award

The Commerce Bank and WT Kemper Foundation Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award honors current members of the graduate faculty who are recognized nationally and internationally for their outstanding scholarly achievements and for their contributions to graduate education at the university. Recipients of the award will receive an honorarium, are recognized during the fall Graduate School commencement ceremony and during a public lecture to the campus community. Submission deadline is May 1.

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.

Save the date: 2017-18 Distinguished Graduate Faculty Lecture

Dr. Christine Aikens, professor of chemistry, will make a public presentation on her work at 2 p.m. Monday, April 2 in the Big 12 Room as part of the Commerce Bank and W.T. Kemper Foundation Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award. All are invited to attend the lecture.

Graduate Program Directors

Call for nominations: Distinguished Thesis and Distinguished Dissertation Awards

The Graduate School is now accepting nominations for the MAGS/ProQuest Distinguished Thesis Award and the CGS/ProQuest Distinguished...
**Dissertation Award.** This year’s award categories are 1) Engineering, Mathematics, and Physical Sciences and 2) Social Sciences. Each graduate program may submit one nomination for the thesis award and one nomination for the dissertation award. Please visit the award webpages for more information. Nominations must be submitted to the Graduate School, 119 Eisenhower Hall, or via email to Megan Miller ([mmmiller@ksu.edu](mailto:mmmiller@ksu.edu)) no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2018.

**Call for nominations: Golden Key Outstanding GTA and GRA Awards**

Golden Key International Honour Society is sponsoring two awards recognizing both graduate teaching assistants and graduate research assistants. Golden Key recognizes that GTAs and GRAs dedicate countless hours to their field working with students, faculty, and/or in a lab. To nominate a graduate assistant for the GTA or GRA award, complete an online form and send your nominee's curriculum vitae to aebasham@ksu.edu. The deadline to nominate is April 9. All nominees are invited to attend the Annual Graduate Student Recognition event on April 23. The 2018 Outstanding GTA and GRA of the Year will be recognized during the reception.

**Graduate Students**

**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.*

**Graduation and Commencement Requirements and Deadlines Session – March 28, 3:00pm, 121 Eisenhower Hall**

Graduate School degree specialists will review all requirements and their respective deadlines that must be met to graduate and participate in the commencement ceremony for the Spring 2018 term. Graduate students planning to graduate in Summer 2018 also are encouraged to attend this session to help them plan for summer graduation deadlines. Students are encouraged to review the Graduate School’s Graduation and Commencement information and appropriate checklists prior to the session.

**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**

April 1 is the deadline to apply for GSC travel awards for events that begin in June.

**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).