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# Graduate Studies Updates

News, events, insights, and opportunities for Sacramento State Graduate Students

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We are here at the university to increase the visibility and prestige of the campus by facilitating the recruitment, retention, and engagement of faculty whose research and creative activities are enriched by collaboration with graduate students. The broader impact of our work elevates graduate students and the campus' role as a nexus for community engagement and partnerships. We are to remind ourselves that we do big things here at Sacramento State and graduate students make a major contribution to the university and its mission.

## Enhancing the Graduate Student Experience

Here at Sacramento State, we endeavor to enhance the graduate student experience to promote services and experiences to promote your academic and professional success. In line with this vision, we are expanding our Graduate Student General Advising opportunities. We are excited to introduce our Graduate Student Enrollment and Engagement Specialist, Kaitlyn Ehrmantrout. In this position, Kaitlyn works with all facets of graduate education to better support graduate students. If you are seeking general advising about graduate education at Sacramento State, Kaitlyn is available Monday - Friday to assist students. If you have questions or would like to schedule an appointment, please email [gradengagement@csus.edu](mailto:gradengagement@csus.edu).

## Protected Writing Time

How do you need more time to focus on your writing? Do you need ideas on to maximize your productivity? We encourage you to apply for the Sacramento State Graduate Studies' Protected Writing Time. There is no cost, units, or grading for this series. The series includes group meetings, individual accountability measures, and at least three hours of writing each session. Protected Writing Time is an opportunity to be away from other tasks and focus on your research and scholarly agenda.

Join the Protected Writing Time, a community in which all writers are committed to their writing on the following required dates and times:

- January 28, 2023 (9:00am - 12:00pm)
- February 11, 2023 (9:00am - 12:00pm)
- February 25, 2023 (9:00am - 12:00pm)
- March 11, 2023 (9:00am - 12:00pm)
- April 8, 2023 (9:00am - 12:00pm)
- April 22, 2023 (9:00am - 12:00pm)

[Registration](#) is now open! Space is limited so register soon.

Reach your goal to complete your thesis, project, or dissertation. Use the time for research, thesis/project/dissertation development, proposal development, or other scholarly activities – whatever your agenda requires. We look forward to seeing you at the Protected Writing Time.

## Join Graduate Student Activities

### Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC)

The Graduate Student Advisory Council (GSAC) serves as a conduit for information between the Graduate School and the general graduate student population. We relate relevant opportunities, policy updates, and other information to graduate student representatives at our monthly meetings. GSAC representatives in turn relay this information to their graduate student colleagues in their departments. All graduate students can participate in GSAC meetings and events. However, each department designates one graduate student who may vote on items requiring the official opinions of graduate students, such as offering feedback on procedures to the Graduate Dean.

The Graduate Student Advisory Council normally meets once a month on the third Thursday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Join one of the committees to support the events and activities of GSAC for the 2022-2023 academic year. Contact [the ASI Graduate Studies Director](#), Urvashi Babbar. Also visit the [ASI Graduate](#) Instagram.

## Financial Support

### California Pre-Doctoral Program

The California Pre-Doctoral Program is designed to increase the pool of potential California State University faculty by supporting the doctoral aspirations of CSU students who have experienced economic and educational disadvantages. Awards are based on competitive review of student applications and given to current upper-division or graduate students who, in the judgment of the review panel, demonstrate academic excellence while experiencing economic or educational disadvantage, as well as committed to a career in teaching and research at the college or university level. All matriculated students enrolled on a CSU campus are eligible to participate. The deadline to apply is January 27, 2023. Please check [Graduate Diversity Program website](#) in October 2022 for the 2023-24 application.

### The Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program (CDIP)

The goal of the California State University Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program (CDIP) is to increase the number of faculty with the qualifications, motivation, and skills needed to teach the diverse students of the CSU. CDIP prepares promising doctoral students for CSU faculty positions by providing financial support, mentorship by CSU faculty and professional development and grant resources. The deadline to apply is January 28, 2023. Application materials can be found at <https://www.csus.edu/academic-affairs/graduate-diversity/internal/documents/cdip-app.pdf>

## Graduating in Fall 2022?

Congratulations to those who are completing their degree programs in Fall 2022. Are you close to the finish line. To assist you in a smooth transition to alumni, we encourage you to review [Steps to Graduation & Degree Posting Timeline](#). Also, if you're interested, the [2023 Commencement schedule](#) will be released soon! We wish you the best of luck as you complete your degree. Stay connected and involved by actively participating in the Sacramento State Alumni Association. All alumni are members of the Alumni Association. Don't forget to [claim your membership card](#)!

## Calendar Check

Are you on track to complete your academic degree as planned? Check the Graduate Studies website and review the [Steps to Graduation](#). Key dates and events are noted below for your convenience. Whether you are graduating in Fall 2022 or wanting to advance to candidacy for fall 2023, we want you to be prepared for the next steps in your academic plan. Check the information below and stay on track!

### Deadlines and Events

November 14, 2022

Registration opens to schedule appointments for submission of Thesis/Project/Dissertation/ Doctoral Projects for Fall 2022.

November 30, 2022

Registration closes to schedule appointments for submission of Thesis/Project/Dissertation/ Doctoral Projects for Fall 2022.

December 2, 2022

Deadline for final submission of dissertation/doctoral project/thesis/master's project for graduation in Fall 2022

February 1, 2023

Deadline to file 1) for Advancement to Candidacy, 2) Application for Spring 2023 graduation, and 3) Petitions for Exceptions

February 6, 2023

**Registration opens** for the Thesis/Project/Dissertation/Doctoral Project Workshop. All graduate students planning to graduate in Spring 2023 must register and complete this workshop. Link and information on how to register can be found on the graduate studies website. Registration closes on March 20. Workshop must be completed no later than *Thursday, March 30, 2023*.

February 10, 2023

Deadline for Continuous Enrollment registrations, plus late fee (Feb 11 – March 31 Continuous enrollment fee, plus late fee)

March 20, 2023

**Registration closes** for the Thesis/Project/Dissertation/Doctoral Project Workshop. All graduate students planning to graduate in Spring 2023 must register and complete this workshop. Workshop must be completed no later than *Thursday, March 30, 2023*.

March 28, 2023

Sac State Grad Slam Event – 5PM to 7PM. Check the Graduate Studies website to RSVP for the event.

March 30, 2023

All graduate students planning to graduate in Spring 2023 must complete the Thesis/Project/Dissertation/Doctoral Project workshop no later than *Thursday, March 30, 2023*.

## Campus COVID protocols

Sacramento State policies on vaccination, masking, testing and quarantine can be found on [the home page](#).