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 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.
Graduate Student Engagement

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. The first meeting of the fall semester will be September 22, 2022. Register to receive information on GSAC meetings and to join one of the committees to support the events and activities of GSAC for the 2022-2023 academic year.

Protected Writing Time – Fall 2022
Do you want to become a more productive writer to meet your goals and deadlines for completing your proposal, project, capstone, prospectus, thesis, or dissertation?

If so, we encourage you to apply for the Sacramento State Graduate Studies’ Protected Writing Time. There is no cost, units, or grading for this series. This series includes group meetings, individual accountability measures, and at least three hours of writing each session. Here’s how it works:

1. Start by completing an application.
2. Selected students will be notified as soon as possible.
3. Attend all sessions. (Have to miss? Let the facilitator know.)
4. The facilitator will provide motivation, team building strategies, and support to reach your goals.
5. Participants will form a community, set goals, and dedicate time to writing.

Dates: 9am to 12pm

- Required: September 10 & 24, October 8 & 22, November 5 & 19
- Optional: September 17, October 1, 15, & 29, November 12

Location

Protected Writing Time will be online via Zoom. Participants will be entered into a Canvas course for communication and information. Those selected to participate will be sent information.
Application Information

Protected Writing Time is open and free to all graduate students who are working to complete a thesis, project, or dissertation. Space is limited. Please apply by clicking the link.

Financial Support
Bruce and Jane Walsh Grant in Memory of John Holland

The Bruce and Jane Walsh Grant in Memory of John Holland supports scientific, scholarly, or applied research and/or educational activities investigating how personality, culture, and environment influence work behavior and health (mental and physical). The award ($18,000) supports research or educational activities on how personality, culture, and environment influence work behavior and health. The deadline is September 15, 2022. Learn more at https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/walsh?tab=1

Kennedy Library research grants and fellowships

Various awards up to $5,000 to support scholars using the archival holdings of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. The deadline to apply is September 30, 2022. More information can be found at https://www.jfklibrary.org/archives/research-fellowships-grants

Smithsonian Archives of American Art internships

Offered in spring, summer and fall for current students or those who have graduated in the last six months; $6,500 stipend for 10 weeks. The deadline to apply is October 1, 2022. More information can be found at https://www.aaa.si.edu/about/internship-fellowship-and-volunteer-opportunities

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program

The purpose of the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) is to ensure the quality, vitality, and diversity of the scientific and engineering workforce of the United States. GRFP seeks to broaden participation in science and engineering of underrepresented groups, including women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and veterans. The five-year fellowship provides three years of financial support inclusive of an annual stipend of $37,000. Deadline to apply in early October 2022. Learn more at www.nsfgrfp.org

Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans

The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans program honors the contributions of immigrants and children of immigrants to the United States. Each year, they invest in the graduate education of 30 New Americans—immigrants and children of immigrants—who are poised to make significant
contributions to US society, culture or their academic field. Each Fellow receives up to $90,000 in financial support over two years. The application for the 2023 application is now open and will be due on October 27, 2022 at 2 pm ET. The application materials can be found at https://www.pdsoros.org/apply/online-application

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/cdicapp.pdf

Calendar

Deadlines and Events

September 10

Deadline for Continuous Enrollment registrations without late fee (Sept 11 – Oct 31 Continuous enrollment fee, plus $25 late fee assessed)

September 12

Registration opens for the Thesis/Project/Dissertation/Doctoral Project Workshop. All graduate students planning to graduate Fall 2022 must register and complete this workshop. Link and information on how to register can be found on the graduate studies website. Workshop must be completed no later than Friday, October 28, 2022.
October 1
Deadline to file 1) for Advancement to Candidacy, 2) Application for Fall 2022 graduation, and 3) Petitions for Exceptions

October 17
Registration closes for the Thesis/Project/Dissertation/Doctoral Project Workshop. All graduate students planning to graduate Fall 2022 must register and complete this workshop. Link and information on how to register can be found on the graduate studies website. Workshop must be completed no later than Friday, October 28, 2022.

October 31
Deadline for Continuous Enrollment registrations, plus late fee (Sept 11 – Oct 31 Continuous enrollment fee, plus late fee)

November 14
Registration opens to schedule appointments for submission of Thesis/Project/Dissertation/ Doctoral Projects for Fall 2022.

November 30
Registration closes to schedule appointments for submission of Thesis/Project/Dissertation/ Doctoral Projects for Fall 2022.

December 2
Deadline for final submission of dissertation/doctoral project/thesis/master’s project for graduation in Fall 2022

Campus COVID protocols for fall
Sacramento State announced its fall policies on vaccination, masking, testing and quarantine.