Fall 2019
New Graduate Student Orientation
Welcome!

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Acting Vice Provost for Graduate Affairs
Acting Dean of the Graduate School

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Welcome to Graduate School

You are joining a vibrant and growing graduate community

5294 graduate students

Graduate Programs:
• 42 Doctoral Programs
• 87 Masters Programs
• 20 Certificate Programs
• 23 Dual Degree Programs
• 3 Professional Degree Programs
• 10 Online Degree Programs
• 1 Specialist
• 6 Programs Rank #1
• 7 Endorsements

2017-2018 Degrees Conferred:
• 159 Doctoral
• 1435 Masters
• 102 Certificates

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Belknap Campus is three miles from downtown Louisville and houses 9 of the university’s 12 academic schools and colleges.

Health Sciences Center is situated in downtown Louisville's medical complex and houses the university’s 3 health focused schools and the University of Louisville Hospital.

ShelbyHurst Campus is located in eastern Jefferson County and houses the Center for Predictive Medicine Regional Biosafety lab, Delphi Center for Teaching and Learning and more.
The Role of the Graduate School

Advocacy On Behalf of Graduate Students

• Family/Medical Leave for Graduate Students
• Graduate Assistant Workload Requirements
• Graduate Student Stipend Levels
• Advisory to Graduate Student Council, MAGS
• Represent Graduate Education on Univ. Committees

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Graduate Student Funding

- University Fellowships (Doctoral Students)
- Diversity Scholarships (Doctoral and Master’s Students)
- Dissertation Completion Awards (Doctoral Students)
- Tuition Remission for Funded Graduate Students
- Graduate Student Council Travel Awards
Policy Oversight

- Graduate Council Establishes Policy
- Admission Requirements
- Academic Standing
- Graduation Requirements
- Requirements for Submitting Theses and Dissertations
The Role of the Graduate School

Supporting Graduate Education Across the University

• Professional Development for Graduate Students (PLAN)
• Serve as a Resource for Directors of Graduate Studies, Faculty and Staff within Graduate Programs
• Promote Graduate Student Diversity and Inclusion
It’s good you’re here!
Consider some data...

Unemployment rates and earnings by educational attainment, 2017

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<th>Educational Attainment</th>
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Total: 3.6%                      
All workers: $907

Note: Data are for persons age 25 and over. Earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers.

http://www.bls.gov/emp/ep_chart_001.htm
Supporting Graduate Students
Tamekka Cornelius
Director of Graduate Recruitment and Diversity Retention
Graduate school requires you to be in charge of your own education:

1. Take responsibility for your success
2. Know what resources are available
3. Deal with (rather than ignore) obstacles
4. Have a plan
UNDER THE RECRUITMENT UMBRELLA

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

CURRENT GRADUATE STUDENTS

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

UOFL SPORTS LOVERS

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

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Graduate Diversity Welcome Day

The Advocate (Graduate Diversity Newsletter)

Graduate Diversity Fellows

The Multicultural Association of Graduate Students (MAGS)

The Check in and Connect Professional Development series

Emergency grant fund for underrepresented students

The Celebration of Excellence in Graduate Diversity

GRADUATE DIVERSITY INITIATIVES
UofL Community and Campus Life Resources

GRADUATE SCHOOL

GRADUATE STUDENT LIFE HANDBOOK

CHECK OUT LOUISVILLE.EDU/GRADUATE

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DON’T FORGET TO:

Breathe

Eat

Sleep

Train

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REMEMBER TO USE YOUR UMBRELLA OF SUPPORT ON RAINY DAYS

MENTORS

CURRENT GRADUATE STUDENTS

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

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Moderator: Dr. Barbara Clark, Acting Associate Dean of the Graduate School, Associate Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics

- Dr. Muriel Harris, Associate Professor, Department of Health Promotion and Behavioral Sciences
- Dr. Amy Hirschy, Associate Professor, Department of Counseling and Human Development
- Dr. Peter Quesada, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering
Graduate Student Career Planning & Professional Development
- Dr. Michelle Rodems
Associate Director for Graduate Student Professional Development
• Community
• Self-Care and Resiliency
• …
• …
• Career & Professional Development
Figure 2. Share of PhD Holders who Moved between the Academy and Business/Government/Non-profit (BGN) Sectors in the Most Recent Changes of Their Jobs by Selected Broad Fields of Study and Cohort

Data Source: Council of Graduate Schools, Understanding PhD Career Pathways for Program Improvement (NSF/DGE #1661272 and Mellon Foundation #31600612), Fall 2018 Alumni Survey.
What’s Your PLAN?

PLAN is both a noun and a verb:

• You should have a PLAN to succeed in graduate school that also allows you to live a healthy life, have healthy relationships, and develop knowledge and skills that can help you manage your own career.

• PLANNING is an active skill you can learn to help you to make wise decisions and develop flexibility and resiliency when your PLAN needs to change.
• PLAN’s supports graduate students by offering guidance, programming, one-on-one consultation, interdisciplinary interaction, and person and professional development opportunities online and in person.

• PLAN helps students take care of their own learning and development by offering opportunities and resources related to Professional development Life skills, Academic development, and Networking.

• Part of the reason you’re here, is to develop and refine your professional identity. It’s up to YOU to decide what your graduate educational experience will contribute to that identity.
A plan for graduate student professional development at the University of Louisville, sponsored by the School of Interdisciplinary and Graduate Studies (SIGS).

http://Louisville.edu/graduate/plan

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The Graduate School and Your Program are Partners

PLAN depends on many partnerships:

First, we are partnering with your academic program because we know that your success depends on your understanding the program requirements and setting goals with your mentors.

Your faculty mentor and your program advisor are your best resource for gaining the knowledge required by your discipline.
We are also utilizing the skills and knowledge of many university offices, faculty, and staff, who have partnered with us to provide workshops specifically aimed at graduate student needs:

- The Delphi Center for Teaching and Learning
- The Office of Research
- The Career Center
- The Counseling Center
- Student Health
- The Writing Center
- The Graduate Student Council
- University Libraries
- The Women’s Center
- Women’s and Gender Studies
- A&S Research Office
- School of Business
The “PLAN” Email

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Student Engagement & Participation

Alexa Melvin - President, Graduate Student Council (GSC)
Mutiyat Ade-Salu - Vice-President, Multicultural Association of Graduate Students (MAGS)
Lamont Johnson - UofL PEACC Center

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Help us make orientation better by providing feedback about your experience!
Thank You!

Thanks and Have a Great Semester!

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