Check out our website for a full list of available programs: [http://www.louisville.edu/graduate/plan](http://www.louisville.edu/graduate/plan).

**Have a PLAN!**

PLAN’s mission is to support graduate student success in, through, and as they leave graduate school. PLAN supports graduate students by offering guidance, programming, consultation, and personal and professional development opportunities online and in person.

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

PLAN is developed with an understanding of the literature about graduate student success, and feedback from graduate students, directors of graduate studies, faculty, and staff.

**Have Questions?**

Contact the Assoc. Dir. for Graduate Student Professional Development, Dr. Michelle Rodems, at michelle.rodens@louisville.edu or 502-852-3110

Want to schedule an appointment? Check Dr. Rodems’ availability and schedule an appointment here: [https://mrodens.youcanbook.me](https://mrodens.youcanbook.me)

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**2019-2020 Initiatives**

- Continuation of the Graduate Teaching Assistant Academies I and II, Community Engagement Academy, Mentoring Academy, and Grant Writing Academy
- Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Competitions with BIG PRIZES in both fall and spring coordinated with the Graduate Student Council (GSC)
- Professional Development Fridays (once a month) with a newsletter and resources
- Four workshops dedicated to supporting resiliency and mental health
- Development of a Career Resources Toolbox
- Further development of online resources, including handouts and opportunities to “tune-in” live or watch recorded sessions
- Additional opportunities for appreciation, continuing Graduate Student Appreciation Week (11/4-11/8), as well as others
PLAN includes **opportunities and resources** to help students be successful as they get started, move on through their programs, and move beyond graduate school!

Graduate students who fully participate in PLAN opportunities will be able to:

- Articulate their leadership philosophy
- Apply project and program management
- Practice self-awareness
- Demonstrate interpersonal and people skills
- Explain financial considerations and decision making
- Defend and employ ethical behavior
- Describe societal and civic responsibilities
- Formulate a career plan and manage the job search
- Utilize appropriate technologies to meet their goals
- Communicate clearly and effectively across platforms
- Usefully and effectively analyze and solve problems
- Express a philosophy of teaching and illustrate effective teaching strategies
- Outline useful and effective research strategies

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**Academies**

GTA Academy Part I: Introduction to Teaching and Learning in Higher Education  
GTA Academy Part II: Advanced Concepts in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education  
STEM GTA Academy  
Mentoring Academy  
Community Engagement Academy  
Grant Writing Academy  
Entrepreneurship Academy  
Publishing Academy

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We are also utilizing the skills and knowledge of many university offices, faculty, and staff, who have partnered with us to provide workshops aimed at graduate student needs:

- The Delphi Center for Teaching and Learning  
- LGBT Center  
- The Writing Center  
- The Office of Research  
- The Career Development Center  
- The Ombuds Office  
- A&S Office of Research  
- International Center  
- Graduate Student Council  
- The Counseling Center  
- University Libraries  
- IPIBS  
- Health Promotions  
- Disability Resource Center  
- School of Business  
- And individual faculty and staff