Fall 2020 New Graduate Student Orientation

The UofL Graduate School moved the Fall 2020 New Graduate Student Orientation to a virtual format on the platform Comevo

1312
Number of students beginning the orientation module

768
Number of students completing the orientation module

~250
Highest number of students beginning in-person orientation any time in the last 10 years.

Most Selected Resources to Review

- University Libraries
- PLAN
- University Writing Center
- Graduate School Policy
- Emergency Fund
- Check-in-and-Connect

Selected Quotes

“The orientation was wonderful and very resourceful. I was happy to hear the 3 tips and financial options. Everyone seemed very welcoming and knowledgeable. Thanks!”

“I really enjoyed the section on ‘Success as a Graduate Student.’ I liked hearing from professors and students, and I feel more confident in my abilities.”

“I’m thankful for all the work done to address this unprecedented crisis and still make space for students, especially my case, from abroad, to feel welcome and to know where I should go when I arrive at UofL.”

“First let me say how vastly improved this orientation was versus my master’s orientation in 2004. Second, I am encouraged by mentor networks and writing center options for PhD students. I feel so much better about starting my program during the pandemic because of the many ways this orientation encourages reaching out and prioritizing self-care.”

Areas to Improve

- Timing
- Special Populations