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GRADUATE COLLEGE FEBRUARY 2014 NEWSLETTER

Dean's Message

The spring 2014 semester is well underway, bringing a host of new opportunities for academic and professional development. As we approach mid-term, upcoming workshops about stress management and healthy communication may be especially timely. Additionally, Responsible Conduct of Research workshops about human subjects research and expectations will be useful for students conducting research and required for students working on NIH and NSF funded research, but is open for any graduate student to attend. Stay tuned for details about upcoming workshops regarding dissertation and thesis writing, publishing and scholarly writing and other important topics. All workshops are free of charge to FAU graduate students, please visit our [News and Events page](#) for information about registering.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the 5th Annual Graduate and Professional Research Day on Friday, April 4th. Sponsored by the Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA), Research Day is an excellent opportunity for graduate and professional students to showcase their research and receive constructive feedback from faculty and peers. [Click here](#) for more information.

Financing an advanced degree is an important topic for all graduate students and FAU offers attractive fellowships, awards and other financial aid for qualified students. In fiscal year 2013, the Graduate College awarded approximately \$320,000 in university fellowships and awards. In addition, university-wide, 915 graduate students gained valuable professional experience through an assistantship. [Click here](#) for a full list of 2014 fellowships and awards.

Upcoming deadlines for Spring 2014 graduate fellowships are:

- Dissertation Year Awards – March 21
- Graduate Diversity Fellowship – March 28
- Alice Griffin AAUW Graduate Fellowship – May 9
- Delores A. Auzenne Fellowship – May 9
- Graduate Fellowship for Academic Excellence – May 9
- Newell Doctoral Fellowship – May 23

Remember to visit the [Graduate College site](#) often as we will be regularly posting new information about our services and programs that are offered to support graduate programs and students. Also, follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

With best regards,
Deborah L. Floyd, Interim Dean of the Graduate College and Professor
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[Click here](#) to view the Dean's Message on the Graduate College site.

Graduate College News and Events

Spring 2014 RCR Workshops

The Graduate College offers a series of workshops each fall and spring semester on the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) for all currently enrolled graduate students at FAU. All graduate students are invited to participate. Completion of the RCR series is a requirement for all students participating in research funded by either the National Institutes of Health (NIH) or National Science Foundation (NSF).

All four components are mandatory in order to receive certification of completion. You may choose classes from either Tuesday Sessions or Friday Sessions to work with your schedule as long as you complete all four mandatory components. Lunch will be provided at 11:45 at no cost. All classes to be held in the Student Services Building, Room 132. Workshop starts promptly at noon and ends at 1:50 p.m.

Tuesday Sessions:

- ~~February 4~~ — Conflict of Interest
- ~~February 11~~ — Protection of Human Subjects and Welfare of Research Animals
- February 25 - Responsible Authorship & Publication, Peer Review and Mentor/Mentee Responsibilities
- March 11 - Data Management Practices, Research Misconduct and Collaborative Research

Friday Sessions:

- ~~February 7~~ — Conflict of Interest
- February 21 - Protection of Human Subjects and Welfare of Research Animals
- February 28 - Responsible Authorship & Publication, Peer Review and Mentor/Mentee Responsibilities
- March 14 - Data Management Practices, Research Misconduct and Collaborative Research

Go here for more information: <http://fau.edu/graduate/currentstudents/rcr/workshopsatfau.php>

The Professional Development Workshop Series

The Graduate College in conjunction with Counseling and Psychological Services presents:

Stress Management

Graduate school can be a stressful experience and students often feel like they do not even have the time to manage their stress. This workshop will teach you customized stress management strategies that work with your busy schedule.

Monday, February 24, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. CU 127 (Culture and Society Bldg, room 127), Boca Raton Campus

Thursday, February 27, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. CU 127 (Culture and Society Bldg, room 127), Boca Raton

Campus

Healthy Communication

Successful communication is not only an important skill, but necessary to convey your ideas and help you progress in your career. This workshop will help you to better communicate with important people in your life through learning about individualized communication strategies.

Monday, March 17th, 5:00 – 6:00 pm. CU 127 (Culture and Society Bldg, room 127), Boca Raton
Thursday, March 20th, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. CU 127 (Culture and Society Bldg, room 127), Boca Raton

[Click here](#) to register for this workshop.

Thesis and Dissertation Information

[The Thesis & Dissertation Guidelines](#): This document contains pertinent information to assist in a successful submission of your Thesis or Dissertation, including submission procedures and formatting requirements.

Thesis & Dissertation Formatting Workshops

Getting ready to finalize your manuscript? Whether compiling your chapters or preparing for final committee review, these workshops offer valuable training in Microsoft Word features that are essential to creating a professionally formatted manuscript. Workshop topics include (but are not limited to): pagination, working with section breaks, margins, heading styles, lists of tables/figures, and creating the table of contents.

For more information and to register for spring 2014, [click here](#).

Thesis & Dissertation Format Reviews

The Graduate College provides up to two courtesy format reviews. Submitting early for a formatting check can greatly reduce the amount of corrections required for your final manuscript. Email the manuscript as a Word document or PDF to Graduatewriting@fau.edu.

Important Dates

Friday, February 28

Last day to drop a course or withdraw without receiving an "F" in each course

March 3-9

Spring Break, no classes! (offices remain open)

Monday, March 31

Last Day to Submit Doctoral Dissertation

Monday, April 7

Last Day to Submit Master's Thesis

Friday, April 18

Last day to submit final manuscript package to the Graduate College

Friday, April 18

Last day to upload electronic thesis or dissertation to the FAU library

Graduate College Facebook Page

“Like” the [FAU Graduate College on Facebook](#) for frequent updates, reminders, scholarship information, job opportunities, upcoming events, and happenings on campus.

Graduate And Professional Student Association (GPSA) News And Events

Murder Mystery Dinner

Wednesday, March 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the FAU Club, Engineering Bldg, Boca Raton campus

Come out to the GPSA’s Murder Mystery Dinner and become a part of the show, helping solve the crime with fellow graduate students! A complimentary buffet will be provided for dinner, along with a cash bar. For more information or to RSVP, please email GPSABoca@fau.edu.

2014 Graduate and Professional Research Day – April 4th, 2014



Call for Abstracts

The Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) invites graduate and medical students engaged in various scholarly and research projects across the University to participate in and take advantage of the opportunity to showcase their work to colleagues, peers and others. Research Day activities will include poster presentations, awards, prizes, lunch and a judged research competition for a chance to present ongoing research. Posters showcased at the event will be reviewed by a panel of invited judges and prizes will be awarded to top presenters.

Deadline for abstract submission is March 4, 2014 by 5 p.m.*

For more information and to register VISIT: <http://www.planetreg.com/E1141944737856>

Please direct inquiries to GPSA@fau.edu. If you need a reasonable accommodation to fully participate in this event, please contact GPSA at (561)297-1169 or TTY Relay Station, 1-800-955-8770. Please make your needs know as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for accommodations.

Career Development Center

Graduate Student Workshops

[Navigating the Academic Job Search](#) - Tuesday, February 18 at 3:00 p.m., SU 220
Learn about a career in academia and how to successfully conduct a job search for your ideal position.

[Navigating the Non-Academic Job Search](#) - Wednesday, February 19 at 3:00 p.m., SU 220

Learn how to find career opportunities outside of higher education and how to market your advanced degree and transferable skill sets to potential employers.

For more information, please visit: www.fau.edu/cdc.

FAU News and Events

Volunteers Needed! Science Olympiad-Middle and High School Competition

February 15, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Boca Raton Campus

The Charles E. Schmidt College of Science announces the 7th Annual FAU Southeast Regional Science Olympiad. The Science Olympiad is a science competition for middle and high school students devoted to improving the quality of science education, increasing student interest in science, and providing recognition for outstanding achievement in science education by both students and teachers. More than 700 students will visit FAU's Boca Raton campus to compete at knowledge and technology-based hands-on events. Volunteers are needed to help with specific events, serve as school team liaisons and as score counselors. To volunteer, register here:

<http://www.science.fau.edu/forms/olympiadvolunteer.html>. For more information, contact Ingrid Johansen at johanson@fau.edu or visit <http://www.science.fau.edu/scienceolympiad/index.html>.

Teaching with Technology Showcase



OIT and the Center for E-Learning are working together to host another Teaching with Technology Showcase, on Saturday April 5th 2014. It will be held in the College of Engineering East building on the Boca Raton campus. Currently we have an open Call for Proposals, with a deadline of February 28th. It will be a full day centered on FAU faculty, emphasizing how they use technology to teach; and most especially allowing them time to interact with colleagues in order to discuss this.

In addition, graduate students are welcome to attend and encouraged to submit electronic poster sessions which will be displayed.

Proposal Submission Deadline Is: Friday, February 28, 2014

For more information, visit: www.fau.edu/teach-with-technology

Upcoming FAU Events

February 14-15, 18-22, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

southXeast: Contemporary Southeastern Art – Schmidt Center Gallery Public Space, Boca Raton campus

February 14-15, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Deadly Medicine: Creating the Master Race – Schmidt Center Gallery, Boca Raton campus

February 19, 20, 26 (various times)

Gentle Yoga for Everyone, College of Nursing 115 – Nursing Yoga Studio, Boca Raton Campus

February 17, 19, 24, 26, 5:45 – 7:00 p.m.

Yoga- Davie – Student Union 105, Heritage Hall, Davie Campus

February 18, 4:45 - 6:00 p.m.

Pilates, Student Union 105 - Heritage Hall, Davie Campus

February 18, 27, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Miami Heat Watch Party, Student Union 105 - Heritage Hall, Davie Campus

February 18, 3:00 p.m.

[Career Development Center - Academic Job Search, SU 222, Boca Raton Campus](#)

February 19, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein Present "Inside the White House: From Nixon to Obama", Kaye Auditorium, Student Union, Boca Raton

February 19, 3:00 p.m.

[Career Development Center - Non-Academic Job Search, SU 222, Boca Raton Campus](#)

February 19, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

[Career Development Center - Employer Mock Interviews, Liberal Arts 201 Conference Room, Davie Campus](#)

February 20 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Off the Page Literary Series Presents William Boggess – Student Union, Boca Raton Campus

February 20, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Rainbow Café: Open Mic Night – Live Oak Pavilion Live Oak – Room C, Boca Raton Campus

February 21, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Frontiers in Science Public Lecture Series: "Anti-infective Drugs from Nature" – Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine 126 - Class Laboratory, Boca Raton Campus

February 24, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Black History Film Series, Student Union Lounge, Davie Campus

February 27, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

[Career Day & Technical Fair, FAU Boca Raton Arena](#)

February 28, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Movie on the Lawn, Liberal Arts Diversity Way, Davie Campus

February 28, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Frontiers in Science Public Lecture Series: "Probing Visual Perception Outside of Conscious Awareness" – Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine 126 - Class Laboratory, Boca Raton Campus

March 3, 5-8, 11-15, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

southXeast: Contemporary Southeastern Art – Schmidt Center Gallery Public Space, Boca Raton campus

March 4-6, 11-13, 18-20, (various times)

Gentle Yoga for Everyone, College of Nursing 115 – Nursing Yoga Studio, Boca Raton Campus

March 7, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Frontiers in Science Public Lecture Series: "What is a Species? Insights into the Species Problem for Recent Research on African Monkeys" – Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine 126 - Class Laboratory, Boca Raton Campus

March 10, 12, 17, 19, (various times)

Yoga- Davie – Student Union 105, Heritage Hall, Davie Campus

For more information and a complete listing of upcoming FAU events, visit:

<http://events.fau.edu/mastercalendar/mastercalendar.aspx>

For a complete listing of Career Development Center events, visit:

<http://www.fau.edu/cdc/calendar/2014/february.php>

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