CGCS Agenda

- Thesis/Dissertation Specs
- Fall Recruiting Update
- 3MT – Nov. 30th, 5:30pm, 140 Toomey
- What about Grad School? Recap
- Graduate Student Leadership Development Program (GSLDP) – Nov. 16 & 17
- New Graduate Student Orientation - January 12, 2018
- Chancellor’s Distinguished Fellowship – open for nominations Dec. 1
- Doctoral Student Recruitment Grants – open for proposals Dec. 1
- Technical Editing – iThenticate requirement
- Upcoming events and deadlines
Thesis/Dissertation Specs

> Revision of Thesis/Dissertation Specs
  – Specs for T/Ds haven’t been revised since 2009
  – Revisions were passed by Graduate Council to be voted on at the November Graduate Faculty meeting
Fall Recruiting Update

> Attended 25+ fairs
> Visited 25+ schools (met with faculty, career center staff, students)
> At fairs, gathered inquiry cards from over 275 prospective graduate students
Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Finale

> Six student finalists will highlight their graduate research in three-minute presentations during the rescheduled Three-Minute Thesis (3MT) finale at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, in 140 Toomey Hall. The competition is open to the public.

> The winners of the preliminary and semi-final rounds will present their research at the Nov. 30 finale. The six finalists and their areas of study are:
  – Vineet Alexander, chemical engineering
  – Dheiaa Alfarge, petroleum engineering
  – Justin Beltz, chemistry
  – Umanga De Silva, chemistry
  – Sherif Fakher, petroleum engineering
  – Meagan Kelso, materials science and engineering

> Learn more about the competition at grad.mst.edu/events/3mt/.
What about Grad School? Recap

> Event held on Oct. 23, 24, 26 in 305/307 Norwood Hall
> Faculty and current grad students talked with S&T UG students about grad school.
  > Applying, funding, school/life balance, research, etc.
> Approximately 130 S&T UG students participated over the three day event.
> Approximately 45 faculty and graduate students answered questions, shared experiences, etc.
  > THANK YOU for making this possible!
> Very positive reviews from UG students that participated.
Graduate Student Leadership Development Program (GSLDP)

> Final event of GSLDP will be held in Rolla on Nov. 16-17
> No longer have funding available to administer this program
> Program created in 2014 based on a proposal submitted to the UM System by the graduate deans of the 4 UM System campuses (UMSL, UMKC, Mizzou, S&T). Goal was to impart transferrable skills.
> Topics covered in GSLDP included:
  – Communication
  – Creativity, Initiative, and Entrepreneurship
  – Management and Organization Skills
  – Problem Solving Skills
> Additional local programming offered to each cohort
> Over the past 4 years of the program, approximately 120 graduate students from the UM System schools have participated and enhanced their leadership portfolio.
New Graduate Student Orientation

> Spring 2018 New Graduate Student Orientation:
  – Friday, January 12, 8:30am-3:00pm, Hasselmann Alumni House

> Day-long orientation for new graduate students to learn about resources available at S&T
  – Getting to know one another
  – Diversity and Inclusion Talk
  – Funding and Advising
  – Library resources
  – Technical editing
  – CPT/OPT and careers
  – Plagiarism, academic dishonesty, student grievances
  – IT and Educational Technology
  – Counseling, Disability Support and Student Wellness and Student Health Campus tour/scavenger hunt
  – Registrar’s
  – Campus Police
  – Environmental Health and Safety
  – Tech Transfer
  – Rolla Chamber of Commerce
  – Graduate Studies services
Chancellor’s Distinguished Fellowship (CDF)

> Department Chairs and Faculty Coordinators can begin nominating prospective doctoral students on Dec. 1

> Nomination window closes February 15, 2018

> Eight new CDF awards will be given annually.
  – Of the eight awards, up to four will be for underrepresented minorities and female students to help reach the benefit of educational diversity at Missouri S&T.

> Can nominate prospective doctoral students starting:
  – Spring 2018 (CDF would go into effect starting SS18)
  – Summer 2018
  – Fall 2018
CDF Eligibility

> Newly admitted to a doctoral program at Missouri S&T.
> Commitment of 50% FTE GRA/GTA/GA provided from the academic department or faculty (which includes full tuition and supplemental fees remittance from the campus).
> Be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident, or U.S. National.
> Minimum 3.5/4.0 CGPA (undergrad or master’s) upon application.
> Nominated for CDF by an academic department at Missouri S&T.
CDF Nomination Process

> Doctoral applicant applies for admission through Slate (no separate CDF application necessary from student).

> Academic Program admits doctoral student with 50% FTE GRA/GTA/GA appointment.

> Academic Department (department chair of designee) fills out nomination form to nominate up to six newly admitted domestic doctoral students.
  > The nomination form should be submitted by February 15.

> Selection Committee reviews applications.
  > All the application materials for admission for applicants nominated by the department, along with academic department doctoral enrollment trends, demographic data, and additional information contributing to a holistic review of all applications will be considered.

> Selection Committee makes award decisions by early March.

> Student and academic department notified of award by mid-March.

> Student accepts or declines CDF award by April 15; academic department notified of response.
CDF Information

> FAQs, expectations and guidelines, and more information can be found online at:
   – http://grad.mst.edu/futurestudents/funding/cd_fellowship/
Doctoral Student Recruitment Grants

> This grant program is designed to increase efforts at the departmental level in the recruitment of doctoral students. The grant will be broken into two distinct tracks:

- **Track I**: Recruitment of highly competitive underrepresented minority doctoral students (African American, Hispanic, Native American, Pacific Islanders) and/or female doctoral students
- **Track II**: General recruitment of highly competitive doctoral students

> Any department with a doctoral degree offering can apply. Applications must be electronically submitted by **December 15, 2017**.
Doctoral Student Recruitment Grants

Format

> The proposal should be no more than 3 pages in length and include the following sections:
  
  – Brief description of either Track I or Track II project:
    > Track I: Plan focused on the recruitment of highly competitive underrepresented minorities and/or female doctoral students
    > Track II: Plan focused on the recruitment of highly competitive doctoral student

  – Expected outcomes of the project and how those outcomes will be measured. The project should make some kind of measurable impact within 1-3 years

  – How the project fits existing departmental doctoral recruiting goals and the Missouri S&T Campus Strategic Plan, specifically action items under Lever 4.5

  – Itemized budget (including match)

  – Faculty PI and Co-PI names and email addresses
Doctoral Student Recruitment Grants

Deadlines/Conditions

> Applications must be electronically submitted by ~December 15, 2017.
> Departments must provide 1:1 matching funds for any approved grants.
> Applications will be reviewed by the Recruitment Grant Review Committee.
> All proposals should be emailed to the Office of Graduate Studies at grad@mst.edu.
> No faculty/staff salary will be paid through these grants.
> Programs should be focused on providing new avenues to reach prospects. As such, no funding will be allowed for basic supplies, web design, video production costs related to making promotional videos, or professional membership fees.
> No student salary appointments as GTA/GRA/GA will be allowed. Hourly pay will be acceptable.
> All expenses must be preapproved by the designated financial approver before accrual.
> Projects must be completed within 1 year. No rollover of funds is allowed. All funds must be spent within 1 year.
> $5,000 maximum award for a single departmental proposal. $8,000 maximum award for a proposal involving two or more departments.
> It is anticipated that two Track I grants and two Track II grants will be awarded.
Doctoral Student Recruitment Grants

> FAQs and more information can be found online:
  – [http://grad.mst.edu/faculty/doctoralstudentrecruitmentgrants/](http://grad.mst.edu/faculty/doctoralstudentrecruitmentgrants/)
Technical Editing Update

> Updated Technical Editing Policy:
  
  – Students are now required to run their document through iThenticate before submitting it for Technical Editing. They will need to include their iThenticate Total Similarity Score % upon submission.
Recent and Upcoming Events

> **Proofreading with Grammarly**  
  Wednesday, November 8  
  – 33 in attendance

> **Creating a CV**  
  Monday, November 13  
  Noon-1:00PM  
  Norwood 305

> **Learning About iThenticate**  
  Wednesday, November 29  
  2:00PM-3:00PM  
  BCH 125

> **Interviewing in Academia**  
  Monday, December 4  
  Noon-1:00pm  
  Norwood 305

> **Mini T/D Boot Camp**  
  Friday, December 8  
  9:00am-4:00pm  
  Library 203

> **Stress Relief**  
  Wednesday, December 13  
  Noon-2:00pm  
  Toomey Atrium

Comment on post-Writing Event survey:  
“Emily also is doing a great job at helping grad students and supporting them. She is very innovative and the kinds of seminar ideas that she develops are very relevant and important. Keep it up Emily. I really valued her Word seminar a few weeks ago.”
Upcoming Deadlines

> November 17:
  - Deadline for the final thesis/dissertation to be accepted by the Office of Graduate Studies
Thanks for attending!

Next meeting:
December 8, 2017 1-2pm
140 Toomey Hall