CGCS Agenda- Friday, April 10
11am, Zoom: https://umsystem.zoom.us/j/478683240

- Funding prompts in Slate (with International Affairs)
- Duolingo English Test discussion
- Deferrals (accepting over 1 year old)
- Upcoming Virtual Recruiting Events
- Technical Editing is open and available for students to use
- Upcoming Virtual Graduate Student Events
- Share your upcoming events with us and we will promote them
- How can we help? What do you need?
New Funding Prompts in Slate

> Amy Smith, International Affairs
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**Funding:**

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

Will the student be offered funding via:

- GA
- GRA
- GTA
- TBD

Will the appointment be a minimum of 25%:

- Yes
- No

What dollar amount of tuition assistance will be offered:


What will the total annual stipend be:


What time period will the funding be offered:

- 12 months
- 9 months
Duolingo English Test

> Duolingo: 45 minutes vs. TOEFL/IELTS: 3-4 hours
> Duolingo: 1/4th the cost vs. TOEFL/IELTS
> Duolingo accepted:
  – Clarkson University
  – Georgia Institute of Technology
  – Illinois Institute of Technology
  – New Jersey Institute of Technology
  – Worcester Polytechnic Institute
  – Mizzou
  – UMSL
  – UMKC
> Recommend: UM System schools accept a score of 105 for graduate admission. Dr. Tran recommends **minimum 105 score** for S&T graduate admission.
> TOEFL & GRE available through at-home/online testing in most countries as of last week; mainland China and Iran coming in May 2020.
# Duolingo English Test – Comparison

> From: [https://enlishtest.duolingo.com/scores?utm_source=google&utm_medium=search&utm_campaign=&utm_content=&utm_term=&gclid=Cj0KCQjwJ7v0BRDOARIsA9h37ip0yGOI6pMXq8WULxO9ZA2mhH-dG8UMTItkSVkjFh0fa9g9GdblOF5tsaApmmEALw_wcB](https://enlishtest.duolingo.com/scores?utm_source=google&utm_medium=search&utm_campaign=&utm_content=&utm_term=&gclid=Cj0KCQjwJ7v0BRDOARIsA9h37ip0yGOI6pMXq8WULxO9ZA2mhH-dG8UMTItkSVkjFh0fa9g9GdblOF5tsaApmmEALw_wcB)

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Deferrals

> We will likely be faced with many requests for deferrals in the near future.

> Previous policy has been that if an application is over one year old, the applicant must submit a new application.

> Graduate Studies is ok with approving exceptions to this rule, within reason and with departmental approval.
Virtual Recruitment Events

> Prospective Graduate Student webinar
  – March 23

> Prospective International PhD webinar
  – April 6

> Virtual Open Houses in collaboration with Global
  – April 9 & 16

> CareerEco Virtual Graduate Fairs
  – April 8: Veterans
  – April 8: Science & Technology
  – April 14: Environmental Studies
  – April 22: Engineering

> Admitted Students Chat with Ambassadors
  – April 15

> Grad School at S&T – for S&T Undergrads
  – April 16, 11am
  – April 22, 3pm

> Grad School at S&T - Kazakhstan webinar
  – April 22
Virtual Recruitment

> Small “Bytes” of Information to post on social media and in mass emails
  
  – 30-60 second videos on recruitment related subjects
    > Who to ask to be recommenders
    > What to put in an SOP
    > GRE code info
    > # of PhD programs and examples
    > # of MS programs and examples
    > Research center examples

  – Would any faculty be interested in recording a brief talk on one of these (or other related subjects)? Our recruiters can help with logistics!
Technical Editing Services

> Technical editing services are open, with turnaround times back at 1-2 weeks.

> Reminder on accepted documents:
  – Dissertation sections (~20 pages at a time)
  – Thesis sections (~20 pages at a time)
  – Conference papers
  – Journal articles
  – Thesis/Dissertation proposals

> Students must fill out the online submission form:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSerpztkSgAA6ngGrAzxhGu6eTdSqfwEcud5vREtYgUgFPZsaQ/viewform. Paper documents are no longer accepted.
Upcoming Graduate Student Virtual Events

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14 | 1PM | VIA ZOOM**

**HOW TO WRITE A LITERATURE REVIEW**

An introduction to the search process and research tools used to find sources for a successful literature review. Visit Grad.mst.edu/Events/ to reserve your spot today!

**THURSDAY, APRIL 16 | 1PM | VIA ZOOM**

**TECHNICAL EDITING YOUR OWN ACADEMIC WRITING**

Learn the different tips and tricks you can use to make your journal articles, publications, and thesis/dissertation better through technical editing. Visit grad.mst.edu/events/ to reserve your spot today!

> Industry Hiring Process – Webinar
  - Thursday, April 23 at 1pm – via Zoom
  - Students will register online at grad.mst.edu/events/
Free Online Professional Development Opportunities

> **Data Management Short Course for Scientists** –
  > ESIP (Earth Science Information Partners) in cooperation with NOAA and the Data Conservancy have compiled the resources for this course. [Data Management Training Clearinghouse](http://datamanagement.org) – a registry for online learning resources focusing on research data management.

> **DataONE Education Modules** –
  > DataONE provides several lessons in PowerPoint format available for download that can be incorporated into teaching materials. Also available are webinars and screencast tutorials.

> **Educopia ETD+ Toolkit** –
  > Designed for training Graduate Students how to manage research for Thesis/Dissertations, but the curriculum can be used by anyone involved in research.

> **Disciplinary RDM Training** –
  > This site lists Research Data Management materials specific to five areas (performing arts, archeology and social anthropology, health studies, psychology, and geosciences, social sciences & clinical psychology). Other courses are listed as well. Maintained by the [Digital Curation Centre](http://www.dcc.ac.uk) U.K.
Graduate Studies Advising

> Grad studies specialists available to answer questions via email or Zoom regarding forms, format checking, final semester, etc.

> Continuing to check formatting for all T/D

> Final defense announcements are now announced publicly on campus calendar & grad.mst.edu at least 1 week prior to final defense.
  
  – Email now sent weekly on Monday morning to Grad Fac with all final defenses scheduled for the week
Upcoming Deadlines

> Final Thesis/Dissertation Due
  – Wednesday, April 15

> Form 3 Due (if required)
  – Friday, April 17

> All forms now accepted via email with electronic signatures and/or email approvals
Share your upcoming events!

> Have an open event that you want to publicize to graduate students? Let us know and we can help you promote it!
  – Email it to Leneisa Parks at parkslc@mst.edu
How can we help?

> How are things going working remotely? Is there anything our office can do to help?
Next Meeting:
August 2020